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Thank you for the possibility to give a statement as the representative of the government of Lower Austria to the proceeding of our INTERREG-project:

Since the start of this project about one year ago, we learnt to know many interesting activities of some municipalities in the adriatic region, individual activities which are quite a contribution to come near to the aims of our project.

But because we have half-time of our project and because of the project-ending coming closer, it seems necessary to me to pass over from the exchanging of knowledge in the form of good practice-projects to a conceptive phase. Finally the result of our project should be worked out as a common recommendation or arrangement of determined behaving in adriatic cities and regions; afterwards this result has to be presented to the public, too.

Therefore I think that we should concentrate on conceptions which are orientated to our aim and which are the basis for a concrete Action Plan. In my point of view, first signs in this direction were for example the indicators-system of Bristol and the strategy of sustainability of Lower Austria. Therefore the representation of Mr. Remitti today and the result of this meeting in the region of Venice were important steps in direction to the targets of our project. This is the reason why I am happy to can inform the Lower Austrian media about successful results of this meeting and on the other side because of the internal control of efficiency in Lower Austria approaching – how it is always usual in Lower Austria at the half-time of each project.

To the chairman, Mr. Piero Remitti, I say “thanks” for his engagement and for the project’s success. Finally, I explain my best wishes for the next time and for good results of this project! But we know: we have to work, we have to assist you!

Thank you!

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