



Paragliding Platform at “Dajti Balcony”

about project

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Budget

EUR 30,000 (Ex. VAT)



Municipal contribution

Design, implementation, monitoring, promoting of the project, in addition to securing access for land use (after taking over this site)



Municipal sectors/ directorates

Tirana Parks and Recreation Agency



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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Tirana Parks and Recreation Agency proposes the adaptation and construction of a trampoline area for paragliding at the “Dajti Balcony”. Nowadays, aeronautics, parachuting and all air sports are being perceived less as extreme sports, and more as recreational activities for the young generation. Despite the fact that in Albania there is a tendency to view such sports as strictly dangerous, the number of professionals and enthusiasts of air sports has increased significantly after 1994, which marked the creation of the first association. Currently there are 5 Aero-Clubs and the Aeronautics Federation. The ever increasing demand for these sports make the construction of a Flight Area a necessity. In Albania there are some tracks but consolidated structures are missing.

In this context, TPRA proposes Dajti Balcony as an ideal place, selected by specialists for a variety of reasons, including proximity to the city, favorable weather conditions, and abundance of accommodation options. The construction of the proposed platform will allow paragliding amateurs to experience the feeling of flying at all seasons of the year, accompanied by professional pilots. This is a key facilitator for sports and tourism development of the area.

OVERALL OBJECTIVE

Setting up a platform in a suitable area according to certified standards at Dajti Park to exercise air sports such as paragliding flights & Hang-gliding flights.

Promotion of sports and tourism development of the area and providing opportunities for Tirana to host/organize international championship events. There are great potentialities to host even World Championship Cross Country events. That will be one the biggest objectives of this discipline in Albania. With the weather conditions in Dajti Mountain and the geographical position this will be the largest platform in the region to potentially host National Championships and Regional Championships. The pilots daily will give life and colors to this mountain. Everyone can access the flight courses and do tandem flights with the Albanian Air Sports Federation pilots over Tirana.

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION MODALITY

Through public-private partnership and / or donors, the project will be implemented according to its demands, designing, technical specifications for the construction of the trampoline for paragliding flight, hence setting up a platform in a suitable area according to certified standards at Dajti Park to exercise air sports and paragliding flights. TPRA will implement the project, guaranteeing the quality of the construction, reporting to and communicating with investors, donors, and be responsible for oversight of the work of the contractor.

PRELIMINARY IMPACTS

- ⇒ Creating opportunities for enthusiastic paragliders and creating good conditions for different groups that want to learn about this sport or just want to fly for fun.
- ⇒ Meeting and adoption of appropriate standards required for this sport.
- ⇒ Gives to the Capital City the possibility for organizing European & World Championships.
- ⇒ Advertising the Grand Park of Dajti.