

## E4C - TARGET REGIONS SURVEY

	<b>Slovakia</b>
Target Region - local name	Veľký Krtíš
Target Region - EN name	District of Veľky Krtis
<b>GENERAL INDICATORS - GEOGRAPHY, DEMOGRAPHY, ECONOMY</b>	
Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	84,847 ha / 848.47 km <sup>2</sup>
Agricultural land (% of area)	53,175 (63%)
Arable land (% of area)	n/a
Forest land (% of area)	25,864 (30.5%)
No. Inhabitants	46.724
Population density (pers./km <sup>2</sup> )	55,0
No. of municipalities	71
GDP/capita (nat. currency)	146 500 SKK
GDP/capita (EUR)	3 439.85 EUR
GDP/capita (PPS)	8 758 PPS
GDP/capita - % of national average	90%
GDP/capita in PPS - % of EU25 (EU25 = 100%; in 2004, EU25 average = 22 286 PPS)	n/a
Unemployment rate (%)	25 - 35 %
<b>ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATORS</b>	
Key primary energy sources	Main energy source is imported natural gas - 62% of municipalities are connected to NG network (total annual consumption is 29,829,000 m <sup>3</sup> ). Electricity is imported by 400 kV power lines.
Are primary energy sources imported or available in region?	Imported. Only one domestic energy source utilised at the moment is firewood for local heating. There is also one small hydro power plant installed.
Key final energy consumers	Municipal sector, wood-processing industry, agriculture, tertiary sector
District heating systems	Central heating stations are built only in town of Veľký Krtíš, the district's capitol (6 operating boiler rooms for heating and DHW supply for residential areas). Total annual production of heat in these 6 facilities represents 187,000 GJ with total natural gas consumption of 6.1 million m <sup>3</sup> .
Share of district heat on final consumption	Minority in the whole region - Veľky Krtis district
Current share of RES in primary energy supply in region	1% (e)
Current share of RES in primary energy supply - national average	lower than national average (3.9%)
Current share of RES in gross electricity consumption	0,05% (e) - small hydro power plant
Current share of RES in primary energy supply - national average	3.9%
Key RES with highest potential	Wooden biomass, especially inferior wood from timber-harvesting. Such a biomass is composed by topwood, bark and low-quality wood preliminary from young trees. Additionally, waste from wood-processing facilities is being produced in amount of 50,000 m <sup>3</sup> annually.
Total amount of primary energy supply (GWh/year)	n/a
<b>OTHER INFO - activities within region</b>	
Have contacts with local/regional authorities been already established?	yes, several (regional administration, several municipalities) and important contact with micro-region of Veľky Krtis (association of small municipalities)
Other activities/projects in region that could be complementary/contributing to E4C	
Have separate institutions responsible for RES & RUE development been set up already in the region (e.g. Local/regional energy agency etc..)?	No.
Are there RES/RUE projects already financed from Cohesion/Structural Funds within region?	Yes.
Have strategic/planning documents for the region elaborated and are available?	For energy sector no.
If so, specify	Waste Management Conception till 2005
Have any measures been taken to analyse RES & RUE potential within region?	No.
Is the region/community providing financial support to RES & RUE projects?	No.
Are there any projects / activities / awareness campaigns promoting RES & RUE in region?	No.
<b>OTHER INFO - availability of data</b>	
Is general statistical data for region available?	Yes
If so, please give key source of information	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic
Is data for region available by smaller units? (i.e. by municipality)	Yes.
Is energy statistical data for region available?	Yes.
If so, please give key source of information	Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic - county administration in Banska Bystrica
Is information on RES/RUE projects already supported from Cohesion/Structural Funds within/outside region available?	Yes.
If so, please give key source of information	Mayor of Hrušov municipality, which have been supported by EU funds in local biomass straw firing boiler installation.
Notes	The GDP data for target region is not available. GDP data is provided for region Banska Bystrica where Veľky Krtis district is located, years 2000, 2001

RES = Renewable Energy Sources

RUE = Rational Use of Energy (= Energy Efficiency)