



The Vidzeme Planning Region (VPR), one of Latvia's five planning regions, is tasked with coordinating the balanced long-term development of the territory. Covering 19,808.84 km², VPR accounts for one-third of Latvia's land area and consists of 11 municipalities with a total population of 273,835.

Within the LIFE project CEESEU-DIGIT, VPR has developed a regional ECAP (Energy and Climate Action Plan), providing a strategic framework for the region's energy and climate policy until 2030. The plan is aligned with European and national priorities, as well as local municipal plans, and incorporates data on the current situation. The actions aim to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and mitigate climate change risks.

The Strategic Plan follows the three pillars of the Covenant of Mayors on Climate and Energy:

- GHG mitigation
- Climate change adaptation
- Secure, sustainable, and affordable energy

Vision of VPR: To increase the share of clean, renewable energy, strengthen climate resilience, reduce GHG emissions, and foster a just transition, circular economy, and reduced energy poverty.

2030 Targets:

1. Reduce primary energy consumption by 10% from 2022 levels.
2. Reduce GHG emissions by 20% from 2022 levels.
3. Improve resilience to climate change through effective adaptation.
4. Alleviate energy poverty by ensuring adequate energy, housing, and mobility.
5. Promote circular economy, innovation, and energy-efficient technologies.
6. Strengthen governance of energy and climate policy.



Strategic Plan Actions:

- 53 actions to reduce climate risks across 10 sectors.
- 147 actions to reduce GHG emissions in 9 sectors.



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