

Informational Bulletin



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The **2nd Steering Committee Meeting** under the SEPA Project held on 3 and 4 February, 2010 in Székesfehérvár, Hungary. There were discussions on project management and coordination as well as Partner's activities, carried out so far and planning the next steps in project implementation. There were presentations on Macrolotto Industrial Area in Prato province www.macrolotto-prato.com and the model of the Canadian Ecological Industrial Park HINTON in Alberta www.eip.hinton.ca. VEDA representatives Ms. Dimitrova (right on the picture) and Ms. Veleva took part in the meeting along with other partners from Greece, Italy, Hungary, Romania, Slovenia and Serbia.



District Administration Varna and City region

"Odesos" at Varna Municipality are included in SEPA project as **Observers**. There were meetings with the Mayor of the municipal region Ms. Tanya Vasileva – (13.01.2010) and the Vice Governor Mr. Slavcho Slavov (22.01.2010) to present the project progress. Another meeting, held in Sofia on 15.02.2010 with the leadership of the National Company Industrial Zone was aimed to identify the most suitable industrial zones in Varna region and/ or in the country, to be included in the project survey. Left on the picture: Ms. Tanya Vasileva – Mayor of the "Odesos" region presenting project cooperation and partnership with VEDA under the SEPA and other projects during a meeting with GTZ representatives.



VEDA conducted **a survey among local stakeholders** to identify the capacity of SEPA interested organizations from the region and the country. There were 20 organizations that stated their willingness to become members of the transnational network, to be established under the project and the coordinated efforts of the EFRD partner BIC of Atika in Athens, Greece. The questionnaire is still available both in English and Bulgarian on VEDA web-site for further respondents who may interest in network involvement.

SEPA EFRD partner Informest in Gorizia, Italy created **a new web-site for the project**, viewable at <http://www.sepaproject.eu/> It will be a platform for publication of news and information on project development, and will provide intranet area for exchange views and documents among project partners. Ms. Andrea Sava from Informest (right on picture) made a site's presentation in front of the project partners in Hungary, discussing possible improvement in its functionality.

Ms. Maria Giovanna Lecce from Sviluppo Italia Basilicata in Potenza, Italy made a presentation about **upcoming on-line project training** for SEPA.

