



Community of Interest

Empowering regional ecosystems for climate resilience

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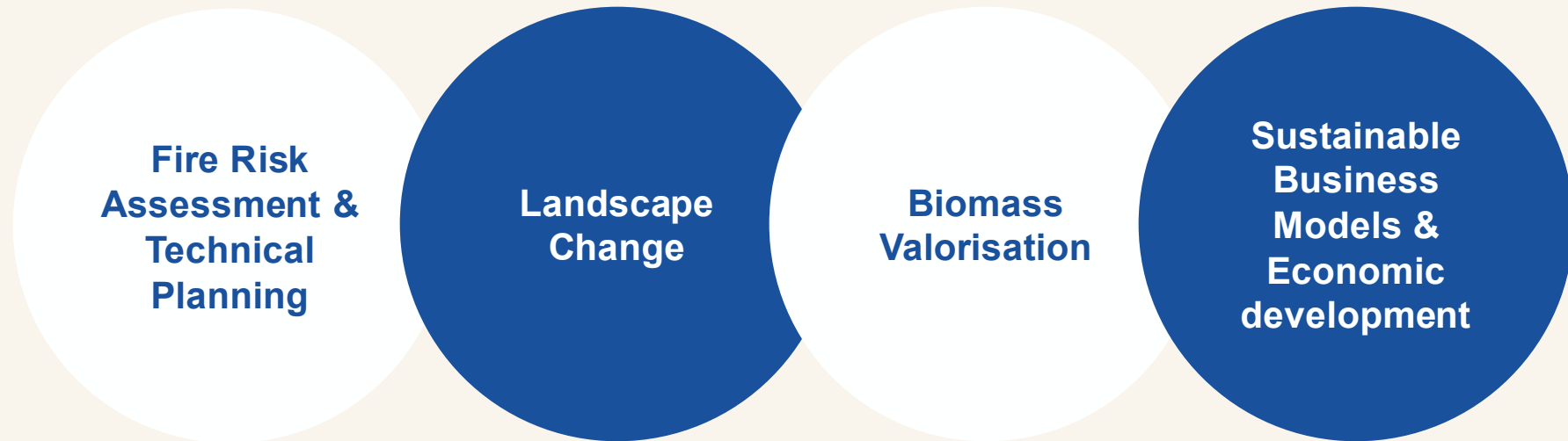
The challenge addressed



Reduce wildfire risk, through the development and test of new governance and management models for landscape planning and long-term sustainability of forest areas.

→ Increase resilience to wildfires

The work streams



Partners and Pilot areas



Coimbra Pilot Area



Médio Tejo Pilot Area

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Who and why?

→ Who?

- Local public administration (municipalities)
- Local associations
- Inhabitants
- Landowners

→ Why?

- Bottom-up approach – shared decisions – easier to accept
- Increased commitment – appropriation of the solutions
- Maintenance of the solution at long term



Stakeholders' engagement

Community workshops - Awareness-raising activity to engage and coordinate with landowners, local organizations, and the local community regarding the interventions and the management of future expectations.

Municipality	Date	Number of participants
Mortágua	10/09/2023	21
Mação	06/10/2023	40
Penela	11/10/2023	18
Condeixa-a-Nova	27/10/2023	14
Coimbra	10/11/2023	27
Coimbra	10/11/2023	16
Mortágua	24/01/2024	25
Góis	25/03/2024	21
Mação	16/04/2024	5
Lousã	11/10/2024	22
Coimbra	04/12/2024	15
Cantanhede	06/06/2025	25
Mação	01/06/2025	5
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Technical meetings - Meeting and/or site visit to collect information characterizing the study area; with relevant stakeholders to ensure coordination and governance

Municipality	Date	Number of participants
Vila Nova de Poiares	11/05/2023	8
Mortágua	19/05/2023	6
Tábua	19/05/2023	5
Condeixa-a-Nova	20/05/2023	6
Coimbra	30/05/2023	6
Coimbra	30/05/2023	8
Mortágua	10/07/2023	11
Tábua	10/07/2023	7
Coimbra	11/09/2023	6
Condeixa-a-Nova	11/09/2023	8
Coimbra	11/09/2023	8
Góis	10/10/2023	8
Mortágua	11/10/2023	15
Lousã	10/07/2024	7
Penela	10/07/2024	6
Mira	11/07/2024	5
Mação	29/07/2024	3
Soure	08/01/2025	5
Cantanhede	26/03/2025	8
Pampilhosa da Serra	27/03/2025	4
Sardoal	23/09/2025	6
Mação	23/09/2025	6
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Some considerations

→ Challenges:

- Dialogues and relationships to manage
- Manage expectations
- Takes time to build trust

→ Tip:

- Do not expect stakeholders to come to you – go them; you are peers with a shared goal

→ Additional advantage:

- It promotes replication (at different levels) – knowledge shared from an early phase

Opportunity given by RESIST:

Develop of all the activities with the planning, time, expertise and funds needed.

Direct impact on the territory → guaranteeing community safety



Thank you

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