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## German Environment Agency

Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety

## **PROJECT INFORMATION**

CroAdapt2: Croatia moving towards its strategy for adaptation to climate change

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Storm over the Istrian peninsula,Croatia Source: patrikslezak (Fotolia.com)

## Background

An EU member since 1 July 2013, Croatia – like all other EU Member States – has to develop and introduce its own national climate change adaptation strategy by 2017. Not only actors at the national level, but also stakeholders at regional and local level had to be involved in the strategy development process in order to feed information from the country's regions into this process and inform the regions about it. In one model region the project was to stimulate the implementation of the strategy. The German Environment Ministry had already supported the Croatian Environment Ministry in this participative process in a previous project (see <u>CroAdapt1</u> project).

## **Project details**

Round tables at six locations in Croatia were organised, at which the Croatian Environment Ministry informed about its strategy development process, gathered information about climate change impacts in the various regions and obtained feedback as to priority fields of action for the adaptation strategy. 153 stakeholders from 16 of the 20 Croatian provinces participated. A questionnaire-based survey was conducted to prepare the round tables. Based on both, the survey and the round tables, recommendations were formulated for the Croatian Environment Ministry regarding development of the national adaptation strategy. An action plan to address information and qualification deficits was drafted for the Slavonia region (eastern Croatia), focusing on agriculture as priority sector. Further project results were: guidance for regional stakeholders for launching own adaptation measures, a redesigned website for the ministry, and a brochure for the general public.

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