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• 211 km²
• 8 Municipalities
• 255 thousands inhabitants
• 5.1% unemployment rate
Parkstad Limburg – population trends

**Historical data**

**Forecasts**

**Ontwikkeling bevolkingssamenstelling PL. 2006 - 2025**

- **2006**
- **2025**
Experiences / benefits European projects

• RoCK
• Citizens Rail
• Poly-SUMP
Project RoCK

- Interreg – finalization 2015
- Partners
- Goal: improve cross-border railway connections between knowledge regions in North West Europe
- Background: Trans-national rail = complex
Project RoCK

• Budget for lobby and strategic meetings with province and ministry
• Experiences / benefits:
  – Actors are activated
  – “Wet Personenvervoer” modified on trans-national railways
  – Concession “hoofdrailnet” modified on trans-national railways
  – Budget from province and ministry for trans-national rails (e.g. IC to Aachen)
Project Citizens Rail

• Interreg – finalization 2015
• Partners: Aachen, Devon, Lancashire, Pays de la Loire, Parkstad Limburg
• Goal: develop local & regional railways by involving the community
Project Citizens Rail

• Experiences / benefits:
  – Exchange of ideas and knowledge
    • Marketing
    • Citizen participation in policy, plans and station management
  – Research demands of (potential) train passengers
  – Plans for three stations (integral working groups)
Project Poly-SUMP

• STEER – finalization 2014
• Partners: Regione Marche, Central Alentejo, Central Macedonia, Parkstad Limburg, The Heart of Slovenia, Rhine Alp
• Goal: sustainable mobility planning for polycentric regions
Project Poly-SUMP

• Experiences / benefits:
  – Better insight in mobility in the region
  – Input from stakeholders with different backgrounds
  – Common values
  – Co-creation of the future and actions
  – Quickly support
Cycling
Infra, parking, stimulation
E-mobility
E-car, -cycling, green power
Public transport
Crossborder services, stations
Thank you for your attention

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