Mobility development plan for rural areas

Geographical scope
The territory of Zemgale Region with possible including of directions of service to other regions and cross-border roads to Lithuania.

The main aim of the Pilot Action
Improve road infrastructure and public transport system in countryside for increasing rural areas accessability.

Main problems and challenges tackled by the Pilot Action

- Closed traffic routes of buses and railway lines, therefore people can not come to cities and centres and as consequences is insufficient use of infrastructure.
- Poorly maintained road network due to lack of financial sources. Public transport is not able to use all roads and causes damage to private vehicles.
- Weak mobility hinders the uncontrolled and expanding unemployment problem.
- Novel territorial reform enlarged municipalities and took administrative centers further from rural areas.
- Poor coordination of public transport system example busses and trains are no connected.
- Due to decreased population in rural municipalities the price of services per capita is increasing.

Strategies tackled by the implementation of the Pilot Action
1. Mobility development plan will be in one line with existing:
   - Development Programme of Zemgale Region 2008 – 2014
   - Spatial Plan of Zemgale Region 2006 – 2026
2. Mobility development plan will be Mid term planning document in Zemgale (like 2012-2018) with part of identified concrete actions

**Expected outputs/results of the Pilot Action**
Elaborated Mobility development plan as Midterm planning document in Zemgale (2012-2018) with part of identified concrete actions.