

# **Tirana Underground Parking**

about project





#### **Budget**

-"Former-Train Station"
(Approx. 4000 sq.m.)
Ongoing project
-"Rinia" Park (Approx. 7,200 sq.m.) Ongoing project
-ALL 360.000.000
Park of the Theater of Opera (Approx. 24,000 sq.m.)
-ALL 145.000.000
"3 Frasheri Brothers" recreational park (Approx. 9,600 sq.m.)
-ALL 125.000.000
"Italia" square (Approx. 8,400 sq.m.)



## **Municipal contribution**

Partial investor



#### Municipal sectors/ directorates

Directorate of Transportation Road Traffic





### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Lack of parking spaces is one of the most serious problems Tirana faces today. Indeed the solution to this problem is seen as crucial to the implementation of the Strategy for Transport for the City of Tirana. To this end, The Municipality of Tirana is engaged in a serious project that aims to overhaul the entire parking situation in the city. The construction of underground public parking spaces in several areas of Tirana is one of the main pillars of this effort.

The idea of developing underground public parking spaces has been an important component of all regulatory plans that have aimed to address the issues of transport and mobility in Tirana. All these plans have recognized the urgency of these interventions in the infrastructure of Tirana, while emphasizing the need for minimizing costs and impact on the city scape. Using public land, thus avoiding the need for expropriation and the significant financial impact they entail, the Municipality has designated publicly owned plots of land in some key areas of the city for the development of underground parking. The rehabilitation of the public areas designated for this purpose to their original form, is one of the crucial demands placed upon any interested developer by the Municipality of Tirana.

The Municipality of Tirana envisages the implementation of these parking spaces through various forms of partnership with investors. The areas designated for this purpose have been strategically selected in order to have an tangible effect on traffic in some of the most congested areas of the city.

The areas in question include the Former Train Station of Tirana; the Park of the Theater of the Opera; "Avni Rustemi" square; "Rinia" park; "3 Frasheri Brothers" recreational park; "Italia" square.

#### **OVERALL OBJECTIVE**

Developing underground public parking spaces in a number of strategically located areas of Tirana through partnerships with investors in order to improve the situation of the traffic in Tirana and assist in the implementation of the Strategy for Transport.

#### PRELIMINARY IMPACTS

The development of underground public car parking will address one of the most serious problems Tirana faces today. It will lead to a significant decrease in the intensity of traffic thus improving mobility in the city. Furthermore, these additional parking facilities will have a positive impact in the city by reducing the current on-street parking in primary and secondary roads thus facilitating the more efficient movement of public transport and bicycles, without any reduction in the traffic flow. The completion of these developments will complete one of the key pieces of the puzzle that is the Strategy for Transportation for Tirana, while also contributing to the reduction of pollution in Tirana.