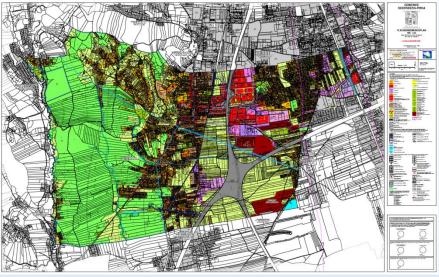
Permitting and Building Control Procedures 4.2 Zoning and Planning







4.2.1 Introduction – results of final report

- Review of TCP law from Cyprus with all amendments, regulations and parts of Streets and building regulations
- Interim report
- Ideas and suggestions from stakeholders and working group from 2nd and 3rd mission
- Experiences from expert in working with Austrian (Styrian) planning law
- Experiences from working in european projects about spatial planning
- Literature and law review concerning planning instruments from Austria, Germany and Sweden



4.2.1 Introduction – results of final report

- More or less radical change of law is wanted (needed)
- Structural change, readable law,
- Proposal for table of content of a new law
- Comparision of other european planning laws
- Advantages disadvantages
- Short, middle and long term changes
- Proposals for additional planning instrument(s)
- Fasten the process, decrease number of checking authorities
- Proposal of reducing planning permits



4.2.2 Planning systems, instruments and procedures in Austria, Germany and Sweden

Acts/regulations	Austria	Germany	Sweden
National act/code	No ÖROK: Austrian Conference on Spatial Planning coordinates the spatial planning for Austria	Yes Federal Spatial planning act (2008)	Yes but municipal planning is an extended autonomy from state
	Hierarchical system	Framework legislation for Germany, principles, definitions and environ-mental assessment issues Hierarchical system	Planning acts for changes of land use and physical environment 1987: -Natural resource act -Environment code -Planning and Building Act General requirements and regulations, hyrarch. system
National plan	no	Possible (overall infrastructure etc.)	No but comprehensive plan (general overview)
State act	Spatial planning acts (laws) and or building codes, acts (According to Article 15 of the federal constitution) Spatial planning law Styria 2010, version of 2015	Principles and binding goals in spatial structure plans	Inter-municipal coordination for preparation of municipality plans
State plan (Landesplan)	no , but a State development programme e.g. Styria	Yes – state development plan	No

4.2.2 Planning systems, instruments and procedures in Austria, Germany and Sweden

Acts/regulations	Austria	Germany	Sweden
Regional act	Regional development concept for the regions (binding)	Objectives and intentions of regions	Regional planning to coordinate municipal planning
Regional plan	Yes in some states	Yes sometimes	Yes e.g. in Stockholm area (for areas covering several munic.)
Municipality/loc al level	in charge of the spatial planning of their area	Federal building code (1960) version of 2015, munic. are in charge	in charge of the spatial planning
Planning instruments:	Local development concept, development plan and general principle plan for building reg.	Urban development plan	Structure Plan
	Land use map/plan	preparing land use plan	Special area regulation/detailed development plan
	Zoning map	Binding land use plan	Property regulation plan

4.2.3 General settings of the structure of the law – proposals

- Radical change of law, complete TCP law (all instruments)
- Top down structure for planning instruments
- Definitions in law at beginning
- Installing working groups for content of law
- Basic principles in law (concerning landscape, environment, climate issues,....)
- Implementation of provisions according to European directives (environmental assessment proof)
- Guidelines for specific topics, training guidelines
- Building and construction issues deleted from TCP law



4.2.4 Planning Instruments - proposals

- Island plan, national plan (and or regional plan) as a general overview, with general reccommendations, avoiding too much political influence on munic. level
- Top down planning systems (binding!)
- Local plans in Cyprus are high quality plans
- Zoning map (maybe less detailed)
- Detailed zoning map (for some areas)
- Area scheme (advantage-disadvantage) → as a kind of fast change of a planning area
- Statement of Policy with stricter regulations like open space regulations
- Outline Planning Permissions (where no local maps), issues like landuse, density, provisions of adequate infrastructure on a masterplan basis – as a certain degree of certainty to applicant, for large scale and special projects



4.2.5 Who is the planning – who is the checking authority? - proposals

- Chamber of architects gives guidelines for minimum time of practise of planners (3-5 years e.g.)
- Updating knowledge by training (handbook)
- Experts in planning authorities need a regular training and seminars on planning
- Statements to planning issues from different departments in the same time (4-8 weeks)
- Reducing the amount of planning authorities
- Time set in which authorities needs to fininish the review of plans



4.2.6 Procedures, planning permission - proposals

- Separating local plans, zoning maps and having detailed zoning maps (for bigger areas)
- Double checking of authorities is positiv, but should be done at same time
- In many European countries no planning permit needed for small projects (?)
- Touristprojects: coordination between planning and touristic department
- Title deed: in Austria the owner of real estate which has to be developped can apply for changes in plan before he sells the plot (Cyprus system?)



4.2.7 Final recommendations - table of content of TCP law

Suggestion for an outline, table of content of the new Town and Country Planning Law

§ 1	Area of application
§ 2	Definitions of used terms
§ 3	Basic rules of Spatial planning
§ 4	Environmental assessment proof
§ 5	National and Regional planning framework and general settings
§ 6	Spatial planning (general issues)
§ 7	Spatial planning instruments (island plan, local plan, area scheme, zoning
	map, detailed zoning map, policy statement) – Description of the instrument,
	the area of application and its determined content
§ 8	Differences of building areas (settlement area, industrial area, agricultural
	area, touristic area, sports and recreation areas etc.)
§ 9	Planning procedures per planning instrument
§ 10	Planning authorities for different planning instruments
§ 11	Fees
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4.2.7 Final recommendations - term changes

Short, middle and long term changes

	Short term	Middle term	Long term
Structural reform:			
Adding all regulations and amendments in			
one law together	х		
Restructuring the law	Х		
Setting a new outline, table of content	Х		
Putting definitions of the used terms at the			
beginning of the law	X		
Setting a separate chapter for planning			
processes and for authorities in charge	x		
Strict separating of building and planning			
regulations in 2 laws	x		
Setting general basic principles in the law	х		
Putting Zoning map regulations into TPL	X		
Deleting health and safety regulations	х		
from TPL			
Content/New Systems/Guidelines			
Installing detailed zoning maps		Х	
Top down system in Planning			X
Setting determinations according to the			
European directives concerning		x	
environment assessment			
Producing guidelines as a help for			
planners, concerning different planning		х	x
issues			
Outline Planning Permission	X		



4.2.7 Final recommendations - term changes

Advantages and disadvantages of planning systems, Deviations....

Topic	Advantages	Disadvantages
New structure of the existing law instead of just adding all amendments	It makes the law easier to read for people who are not daily involved in planning	Will take some time to get used to the new structure
Deleting building regulations from the TPL and putting in determinations about zoning maps from the Streets and Building Regulation	In that way all the planning issues concerning spatial planning with all planning instruments are gathered in one law	
Top down system in Planning	A top down system in the meaning that general regulations for whole Cyprus are set e.g. and the local plan, area scheme and zoning map have to fit to these regulations makes it easier for political decisions and no deviations can occur	It will last longer to install such a system or to adapt the existing planning regulations
Installing a new planning instrument like a detailed zoning map (DZM) – making the zoning maps less detailed	To have a DZM for some areas it makes it easier for necessary changings which might come up. If the zoning map is not too detailed it is a more or less general overview with not too detailed planning and changes are getting less, safes a lot of time	A further planning instrument needs to be developed, this could raise the planning costs.

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Advantages and disadvantages of planning systems, Deviations....

Topic	Advantages	Disadvantages
National plan	A national plan can give a kind of general setting for specific topics like the infrastructure	A national plan cannot be that detailed like the local plans
Regional plans	A regional plan can give very important determinations about restricted areas (priority zones for agriculture, green areas, industrial areas) for specific areas (regions), which are covering more municipalities.	A regional plan cannot be that detailed like the local plans
Trainings for planners, guidelines, implanting them in working groups for Planning Issues	Will raise the quality of planning	Costs time for those who organise it etc.
Deviations in planning		There is no advantage for any deviation. Deviations can cause neighbourhood problems, e.g. in Zoning maps the height of building is higher than determined (Shadow)
Reducing the amount of checking authorities, checking at the same time period	Reduces the time from planning to building permit, gives a more or less better overview	can cost jobs
Outline planning permission	Providing a certain degree of certainty to applicant, planning possibility where no local plans	Not for all projects, not for all areas, urban sprawl
Reducing amounts of planning permits	More staff resources in TP Department for fastening process	



4.2.7 Final recommendations – replacement of planning permits

Proposal for the replacement of planning permits

- In the Zoning map of the local plan (which is a land-use map including some overall information about heights of buildings, distances, storeys etc.) for larger areas (> 5000 m²) a separate detailed zoning map should be determined.
- If a detailed zoning map is (already) determined for the plot of the project, the designer can immediately start his design work and proceed with an application for a building permit (if needed).
- If no detailed zoning map is (yet) determined for the plot of the project, or if the plot itself is less than 5000 m², the competent authority defines the planning conditions in a "planning decision". This planning decision shall be issued within deadline of 8 weeks, and its validity is limited to one year. Based on this decision the designer can start his design work and proceed with an application for a building permit (if needed).
- The planning decision is no individual legal act addressed to the applicant, but a general act for the piece of land of the plot.
- For minor projects, e.g. small huts, small to medium residential buildings (to be determined) could be exempted from the need of a planning decision.



4.2.7 Final recommendations – comparision Cyprus planning now - future

Comparison of spatial planning instruments in Cyprus and proposal for new instruments

Acts/regulations	Cyprus 2017	Cyprus future
National act/code	Yes	Yes
	Town and Country Planning Law (version 2015)	Town and Country Planning Law (version 20)
	Framework legislation for Cyprus, principles, definitions and environmental assessment issues	Framework legislation for Cyprus, principles, definitions and environ-mental assessment issues Hierarchical system (top down)
National plan	Island plan, never enacted	Island plan
Regional act	no	
Regional plan	No?	
Municipality/loc al level	in charge of the spatial planning of their area/TP dep.	
Planning instruments:	Local plan	Local plan
	Zoning map	Zoning map
	Area scheme	Area scheme?
	Policy statement	Policy statement?
		Detailed zoning map
	,	Outline planning Permission

Thanks for your attention

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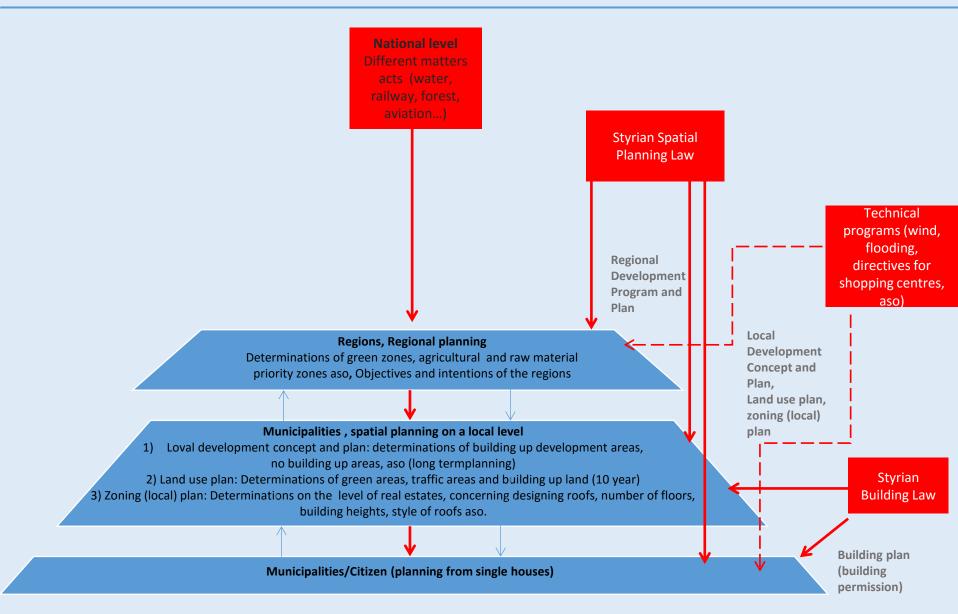


Examples of structure of planning system and planning instruments in Austria (Styria)



PLANNING SYSTEM STYRIA

Planning Legislation/Instruments





The Regioanl plan

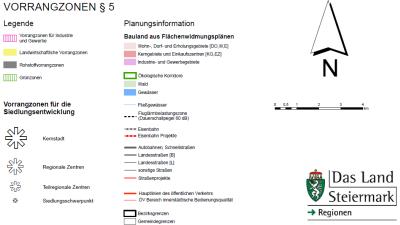


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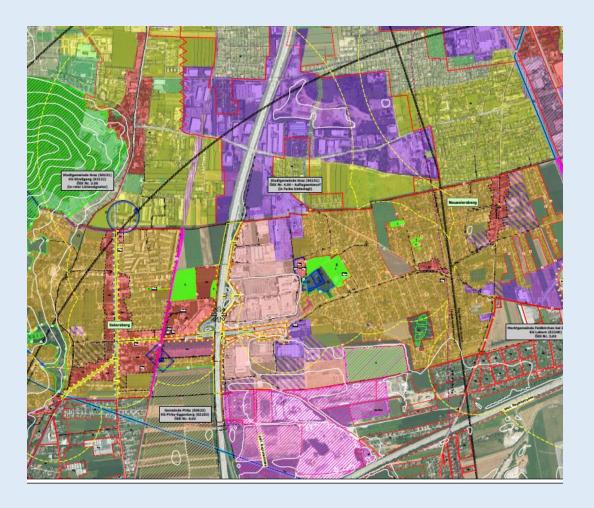
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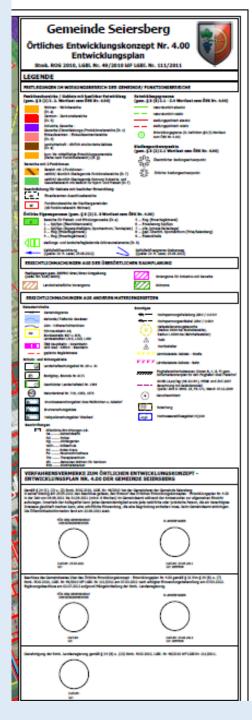




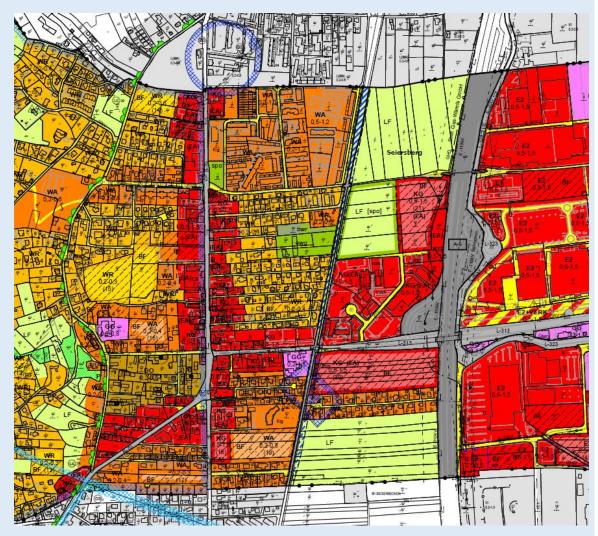
The Development plan







The Landuse plan





Gemeinde Seiersberg

Flächenwidmungsplan Nr. 4.00

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Widmungsgrenze bei Unterscheidungsbedarf Gebletszusammenhang über Trennungselemente hinweg

Zusätzliche Planangaben:

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The Zoning Map

