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1.	Title of the practice	<b>Demand related public transport system for 4 villages in South Burgenl (P8)</b>
2.	Precise theme/issue tackled by the practice	A demand responsive public transport system for four villages in the southern part of Burgenland.
3.	Objectives of the practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensures accessibility of public utilities even for residents without car-access.</li> <li>• Compensates lack of public transport.</li> <li>• Supports transport of children to kindergarten and school.</li> </ul>
4.	Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Burgenland</li> <li>- District Güssing, Kleinmürbisch, Großmürbisch, Inzenhof, Tschanigraben, Neustift bei Güssing</li> </ul>
5.	Detailed description of the practice	<p><u>Origin:</u> Because of a lack of public utilities as well as of public transport the project started on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 with a van for up to eight passengers plus driver in four villages.</p> <p><u>Timescale:</u> The first year after implementation, the “Dorf-Bus” ran as a pilot-project. Because of the positive feedback of the residents it had been decided to turn it into a permanent institution.</p> <p>The “Dorf-Bus” runs from Monday to Friday between 7.00 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. After the kindergarten and school service in the morning the bus serves the mainly elderly residents of the four villages. Three times a week it is possible to go to the district capital Güssing by “Dorf-Bus”.</p> <p><u>Bodies involved / implementation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local councils of the four communities Kleinmürbisch, Großmürbisch, Inzenhof, Tschanigraben and Neustift bei Güssing.</li> <li>• District Council of Güssing.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional Government of Burgenland.</li> </ul> <p><u>Process and detailed content of the practice:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project preparation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elaboration of a mobility concept.</li> <li>- Public information and public participation.</li> <li>- Checking legal and financial framework.</li> <li>- Decisions of local councils to start the project.</li> <li>- Composition of constitution.</li> <li>- Founding of “Dorf-Bus-Association”.</li> <li>- Staff-training for drivers.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Continuous project management: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rising public awareness.</li> <li>- Rising foundations.</li> <li>- Developing and adopting of time-table.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Project content:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Runs from Monday to Friday between 7.00 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. as a door-to-door service.</li> <li>• Requests must be announced by phonecall.</li> <li>• Kindergarten and school service in the morning and at midday.</li> <li>• During the day the bus serves the mainly elderly residents of the four villages.</li> <li>• Three times a week trips to the district capital Güssing.</li> </ul> <p><u>Legal framework:</u></p> <p>A “Dorf-Bus-Association” founded by the communities’ runs the project. Residents can become members of the association. The annual fee allows members the unlimited usage of the bus. Non-members are not permitted to use the bus.</p> <p><u>Financial framework:</u></p> <p><i>(Figures include only the four communities of the initial project)</i></p> <p>Annual costs: € 35,000</p> <p>Membership fees: € 5,000</p> <p>Fundings: € 8,000/a</p> <p>Sponsoring: € 6,000/a</p> <p>Communities share the costs of about € 16,000</p>
6.	<p><b>Evaluation</b></p> <p><u>Possible success factors:</u></p>

		<p>Project is driven by local politicians and is highly accepted within the population.</p> <p><u>Difficulties encountered:</u>          Legal framework is not clear defined, since the project is neither a regular public transport system nor a taxi.</p>
7.	<b>Lessons learnt from the practice</b>	Co-operation with chamber of commerce (taxi-operators) is recommended but not necessary.
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9.	<b>Other possible interesting information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additional information provided by informant <a href="http://www.kleinmuerbisch.at/DORFBUS.aspx">http://www.kleinmuerbisch.at/DORFBUS.aspx</a>.</li> <li>• Various documents (reports, presentations) Gemeindeübergreifendes Mobilitätskonzept – Ortsbus Kleinmürbisch, Inzenhof, Großmürbisch und Neustift bei Güssing.</li> </ul>