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Sharing the Dream: A half-hour documentary about the making of the Trans Dinarica Cycle Route

What exactly is the Trans Dinarica? Who are the people responsible for the cycle route through the eight countries of the Western Balkans? What do the locals think about the project and how will it affect the development of the region? The half-hour documentary “Sharing the Dream” is about how a cyclist’s dream became a route available to cyclists from all over the world.

- On March 19, 2025, there was an online premiere of the documentary film explaining the background of the Trans Dinarica.
- The Trans Dinarica is a cycle route through eight countries.
- The total length of 98 stages is 5,500 kilometers.
- So far, in the first seven months of its existence, approximately 6,000 people have cycled the route.
- Approximately 1,800 navigation packages have been downloaded since July 31, 2024.
- Most cyclists come from Germany, USA, Great Britain, Switzerland, Australia, Austria, Belgium, the Netherlands, Canada, France, Italy, and Slovenia.

Sharing the Dream - The making of the Trans Dinarica, the first cycle route to connect the Western Balkans

GoodTrail team, a Slovenia-based route developer, proudly presents a documentary film about the making of the Trans Dinarica Cycle Route and the people behind its creation. The 30-minute documentary also presents some of the friendly and warm-hearted people who live along the route, and all eight countries crossed by this epic cycle route, born on July 31, 2024.

"Trans Dinarica is a vision, it's a big picture, it's an idea ... I think it was never there just to exist immediately, it was there to be developed," said one of the project partners, **Thierry Joubert** from Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, in an interview for the film. But even before that — before the idea — there was a dream.

The dream started with a mountain biker in love with his Soča River Valley. **Jan Klavora**, born in Tolmin, the exact starting point of the Trans Dinarica, has dreamed for many years of extending his joyrides from western Slovenia to the southwest, to Croatia and beyond, to places (and people) that everybody involved in the Trans Dinarica project are a little bit in love with. **Alex Crevar**, the main protagonist of the documentary, lived in Sarajevo (and later elsewhere in the Balkans) in the post-war period, and created stories for world-known newspapers and magazines.

It took a lot of will, brainstorming, countless emails and also financial resources to get the project off the ground. Things started to fall into place in 2022 when the [GoodTrail](#) team, which had quite a bit of experience planning cycling routes in Slovenia and the surrounding countries, outlined the first so-called route corridor. This corridor connected national parks, places the team loved, lesser-known locales, and roads away from the main traffic routes.

The first idea of the route expanded and shrunk countless times under the supervision of the main cartographers, **Matic Klanjšček** and **Andrej Bandelj**. In the spring of 2023, the team set off on the first fieldwork to southern Serbia. At this time, **Jovan Eraković**, an experienced cyclist and cycle route creator from Belgrade, Serbia, joined the team.

There were five more such expeditions in 2023-2024. All told, the team was dispatched to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Albania, Croatia, Slovenia, North Macedonia, and Kosovo. In addition to the most important material — GPS tracks with all the crucial information and POIs for cyclists — a full external drive of videos was also created. GoodTrail's support van driver, photographer, mechanic, bike repairman, and cameraman **Matevž Hribar** captured the beautiful nature and did many interviews with hospitable locals.

A whole treasure chest of material was delivered to the production company [Karata Film](#), which then made interviews with the core team to create a half-hour documentary about how *Dreams* are now available to everyone [HERE](#).

The team hopes you enjoy watching the story, and then have the chance to have even more fun on the bike following the Trans Dinarica's tracks. As it's been said many times: If cyclists have half as much fun riding the route as the creators had making it, the Trans Dinarica's mission is accomplished.