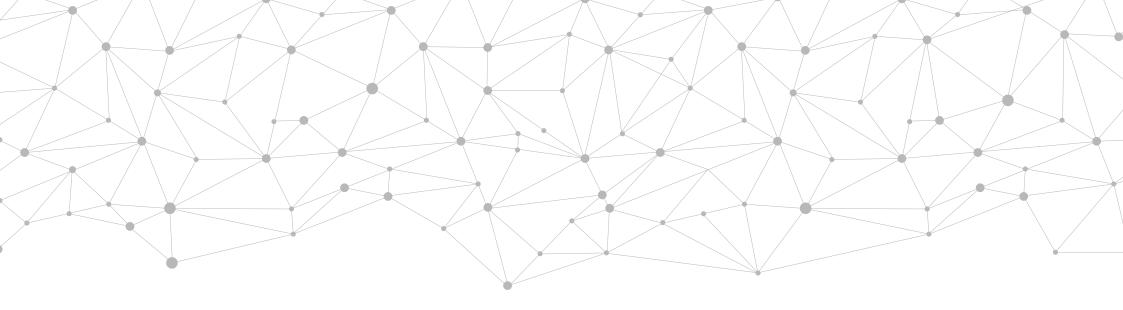
# 8 years of Overview



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### **Estonia-Latvia-Russia**

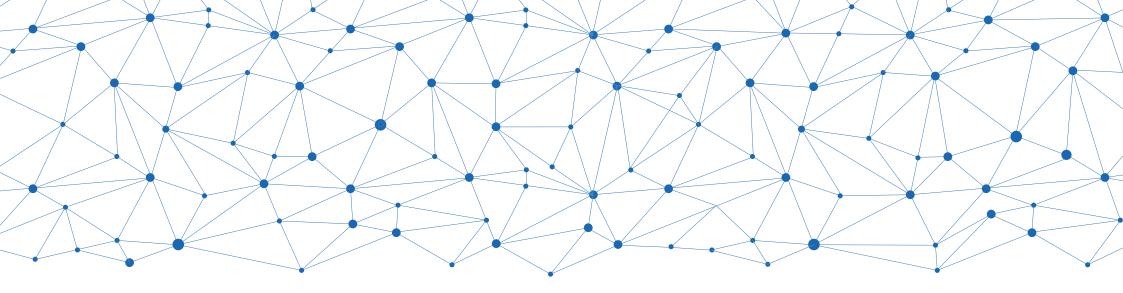
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# **United by Borders**

It has been a long way from the first initiative taken in 2007 by Estonia, Latvia and Russia in setting the common objectives to the current moment, when we are proud to present the outputs and results of 8 years of collaborative and fruitful work in cross-border regions within the Estonia-Latvia-Russia Cross-border Cooperation Programme within the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument 2007–2013 (hereinafter – the Programme).

For joint project implementation in the Programme European Union funding in the amount of EUR 47.77 million, co-financing of the Russian Federation in the amount of EUR 15.90 million is foreseen. Additional financing is made available from the Estonian state budget for large scale projects involving partners from Estonia and Russia in the amount of EUR 9.40 million.

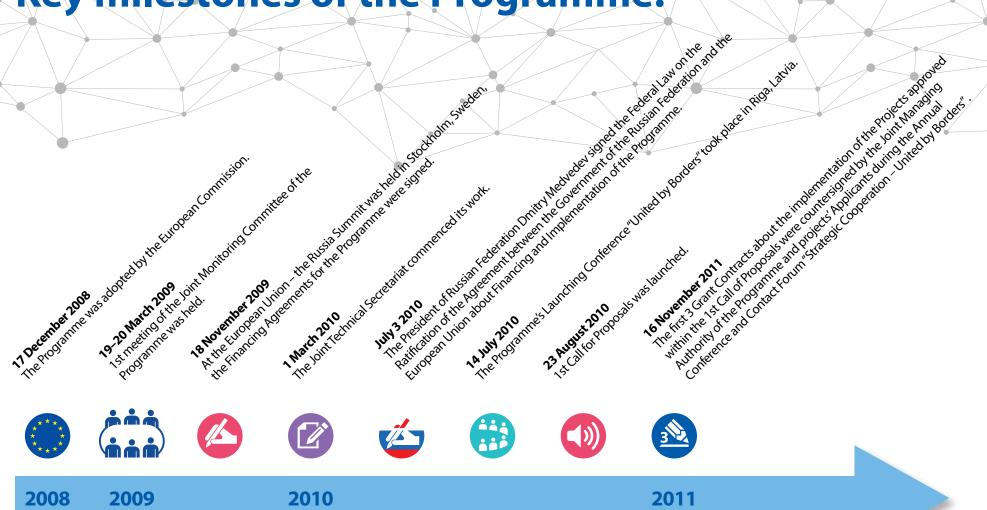
Two Calls for Proposals were launched and as a result 45 projects were awarded. Within the 1st Open Call for Proposals grant contracts on the implementation of 25 projects were signed during 2011–2012. Within the 2nd Restricted Call for Proposals grant contracts on the implementation of 20 projects were signed in 2013. Additionally 5 grant contracts

on the implementation of Large Scale Projects (LSP) were signed in 2012–2013.

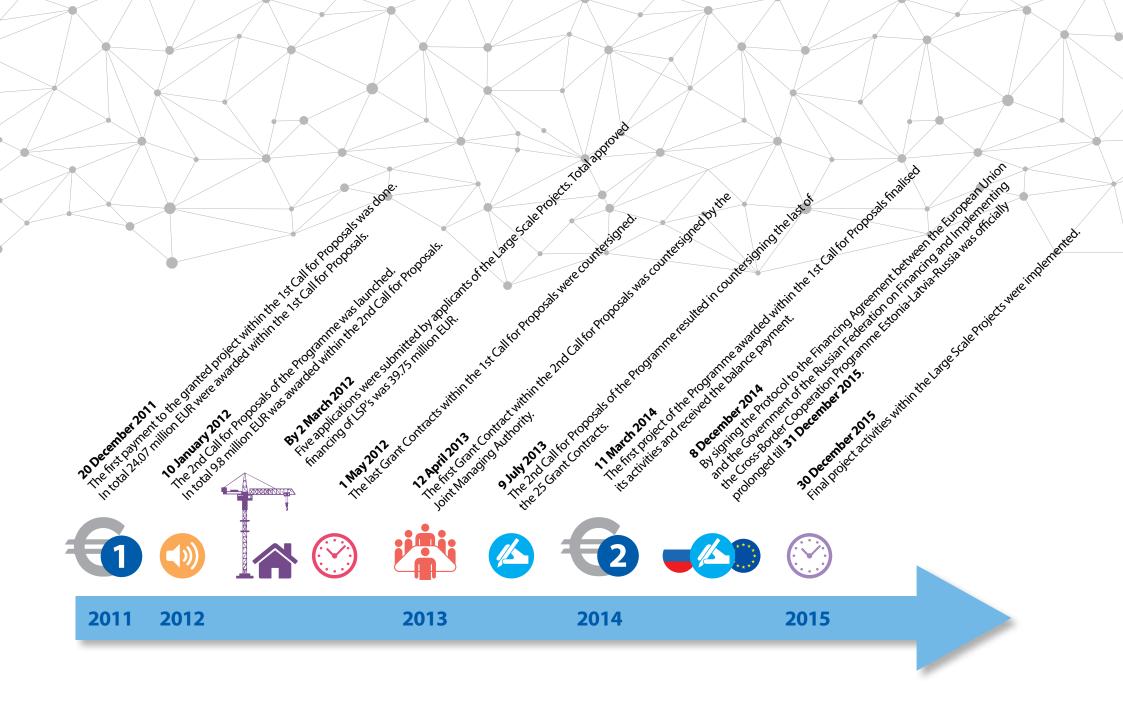
241 partners made their significant input in successful implementation of the projects. Due to the joint efforts tangible results for Programme border regions were achieved by creating innovations for entrepreneurs, developing ICT tools and solutions, reconstructing infrastructure objects of cultural and historical heritage value, developing infrastructure related to tourism, logistics, the environment, energy, and by establishing cooperation and holding joint events in the spheres of sport, health, education and culture.

This Annex is designed as an addition to the Programme Album "8 Years in 300 Pages", in which Programme and project activities and results are brightly presented. In this Annex we would like to emphasize the Programme indicators that help to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of project implementation, the content of the project, and level of cross-border cooperation. Together with the key information on various indicators, an overview of the achieved results will be reflected by each project.

# **Key milestones of the Programme:**







## Territory.

#### **Estonia:**

North-East Estonia, South Estonia, Central Estonia; adjoining area: North Estonia

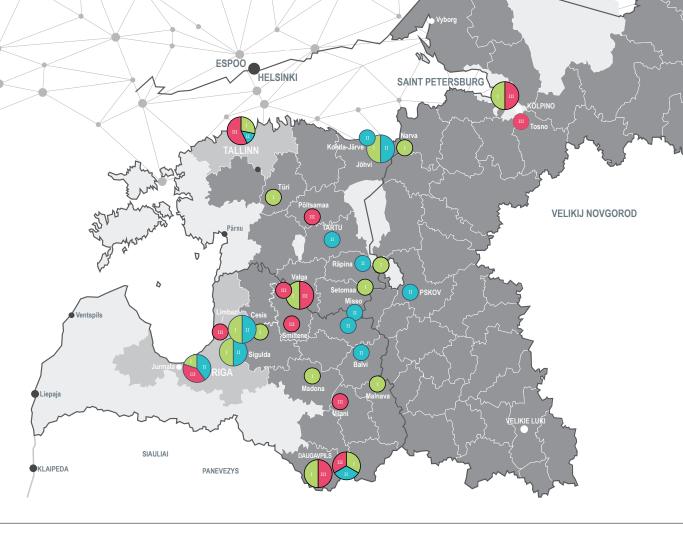
#### Latvia:

Latgale, Vidzeme; adjoining areas: Riga City and Pieriga

#### Russia:

Leningrad region, Pskov region, St. Petersburg City

241 partners from Estonia, Latvia and Russia are involved in the implementation of 50 projects



#### Map symbols:



**Location of the Lead Partner and Programme Priority represented**  Socio-economic development



Promotion of people to people cooperation

### **Objectives**

The Estonia – Latvia – Russia Cross Border Cooperation Programme is implemented within the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument 2007–2013.

**Strategic objective** - promotion of joint development activities for improvement of the region's competitiveness by utilising its potential and beneficial location in the cross roads between the European Union and the Russian Federation.

**Specific objective** - making a wider border area an attractive place both for its inhabitants and businesses through activities aimed at improving the living standards of the local population and investment climate.

I Priority

## Socio-economic development:

#### Measure 1.1

Fostering of socio-economic development and encouraging business and entrepreneurship;

#### Measure 1.2

Transport, logistics and communication solutions;

#### Measure 1.3

Tourism development.

### II Priority

### Common challenges:

#### Measure 2.1

Joint actions aimed at the protection of the environment and natural resources;

#### Measure 2.2

Preservation and promotion of cultural and historical heritage and support of local traditional skills;

#### Measure 2.3

Improvement of energy efficiency and promotion of renewable energy sources.

# III Priority

# Promotion of people to people cooperation:

#### Measure 3.1

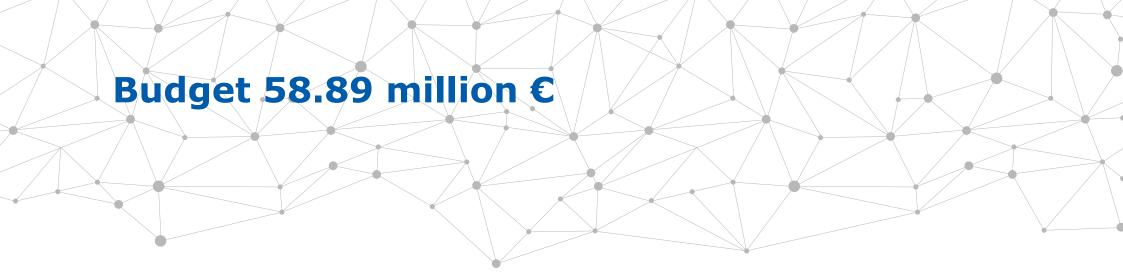
Development of local initiatives, increasing administrative capacities of local and regional authorities;

#### Measure 3.2

Cooperation in spheres of culture, sport, education, social and health.

#### **Projects:**

1st Open Call for Proposals – 25 projects contracted in 2011–2012, 2nd Restricted Call for Proposals – 20 projects contracted in 2013, Large Scale Projects – 5 projects contracted in 2012–2013



**Contribution of the European Union** 43 million €

**Contribution of the Russian Federation** 15.09 million €

Co-financing by the **Member States Estonia and Latvia** 0.8 million €

**Co-financing by** project partners 1.59 million €

#### Estonia 15.04 million €

Central Estonia 0.28 million € North Estonia 2.48 million € 5.02 million € North-East Estonia 7.26 million € South Estonia

#### Latvia 15.78 million €

Latgale Region 10.4 million € Pieriga 1.5 million € Riga City 2.05 million € Vidzeme Region 1.83 million €

#### Russia 28.07 million €

Leningrad Region 8.6 million € Pskov Region 16.21 million € St. Petersburg City 3.26 million €



#### Measure 1.1 2.73 million €

Fostering of socioeconomic development and encouraging business and entrepreneurship



#### Measure 1.2 18.69 million €

Transport, logistics and communication solutions



#### Measure 1.3 12.72 million €

Tourism development



#### Measure 2.1 12.81 million €

Joint actions aimed at protection of the environment and natural resources



#### Measure 2.2 6.28 million €

Preservation and promotion of cultural and historical heritage and support of local traditional skills



#### Measure 2.3 2.07 million €

Improvement of energy efficiency and promotion of renewable energy sources



#### Measure 3.1 0.66 million €

Development of local initiatives, increasing administrative capacities of local and regional authorities



#### Measure 3.2 2.93 million €

Cooperation in spheres of culture, sport, education, social and health

Additional financing 9.08 million euro has been made available from the Estonian State budget to the Large Scale Projects with Estonian partners.









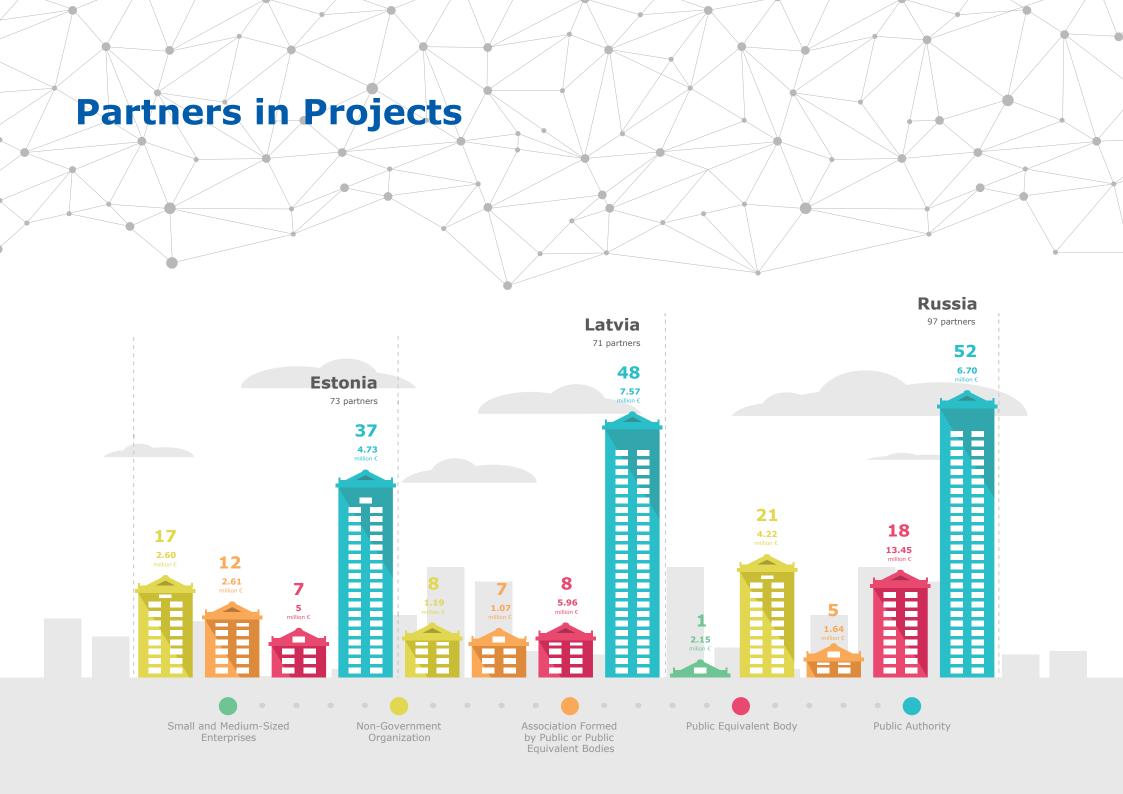


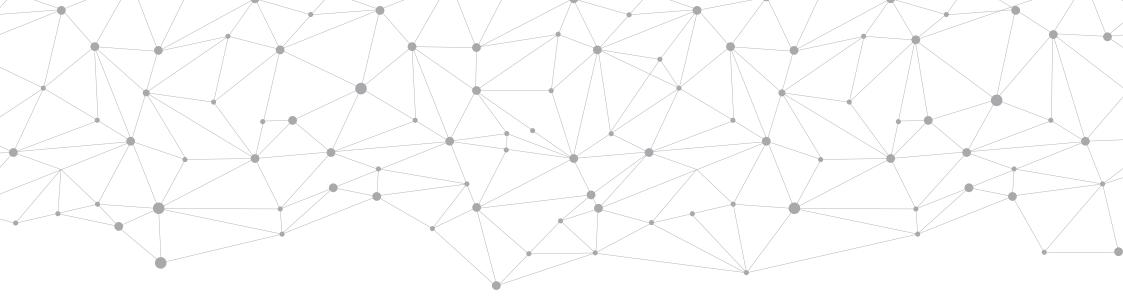


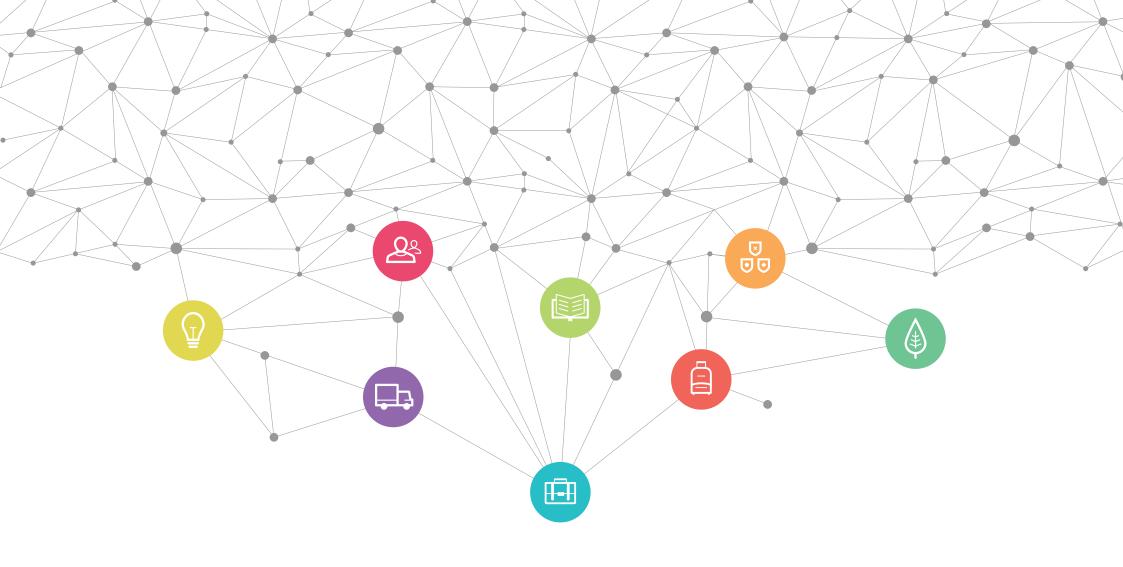




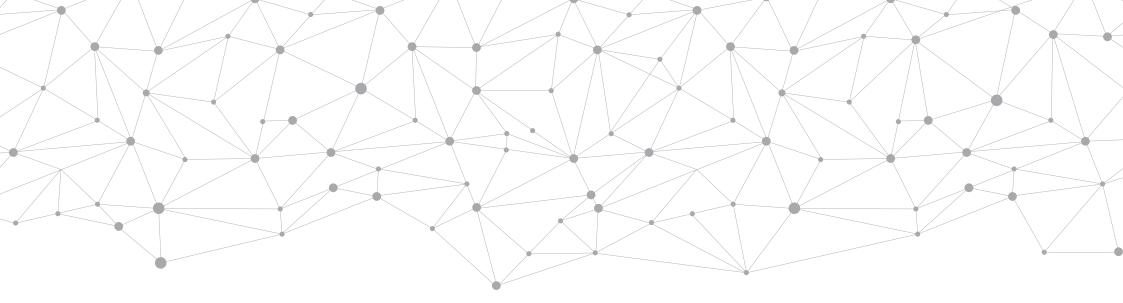








## Review of supported projects



#### **PRIORITY I**

### Socio-economic development

Priority is dedicated to strategic development of the border region's competitiveness through support to business and labour market development, improvements in communication networks, and exploring the region's potential for tourism, as well as maintaining efficient and safe borders



Measure 1.1

Fostering of socio-economic development and encouraging business and entrepreneurship



### Fostering of Socio-Economic Development and **Encouraging Business in Border Areas**

Project in key words

Fostering economic and social integration in Latvia, Estonia and Russia border areas through intense cooperation of local and regional authorities of Vidzeme region, Voru county and Pskov region for development of local SME opportunities and encouragement of entrepreneurship

Partners (lead partner first)



Madona Municipality Council (Latvia) NGO Fund of Guarantee and Enterprise Development of Pskov Region (Russia) Võru County Government (Estonia)

#### **Associates:**

Vidzeme Planning Region (Latvia) State Committee of the Pskov Region for Economic Development and Investment Policy (Russia) Võru Municipality Government (Estonia) Antsla Municipality Government (Estonia) Rõuge Municipality Government (Estonia) Vastseliina Municipality Government (Estonia) Misso Municipality Government (Estonia) Võru Town Government (Estonia)

**Total budget** spent



1 069 615 EUR

**Duration** 



















- The possibility for entrepreneurs to advertise their company, products and services, thus ensuring new opportunities for border region entrepreneurs is provided
- Purchased and equipped 1 Mobile
  Business Fair Centre in Pskov (Russia).
  The existing Hall in Madona is equipped
  with modern business fair equipment
  and furniture
- In total 52 business events (regional business fairs, National business fairs seminars, B2B meetings, open air business fairs, regional presentations round table discussions) were organised to encourage the establishment of close links for future cooperation in the sphere of entrepreneurship
- Small and medium enterprises (SMEs) have signed 11 cooperation intents and confirmed their future plans to expand cross-border business
- Leaflets, brochures, newsletters are prepared in Russian. 11 TV/radio broadcasts are ensured



- A business contact communication social network www.cbclift.com is established for business development, investment offers, calendar of business events in border areas
- A feasibility study, marketing plan, detail planning and technical documentation for 8 investment areas in 6 municipalities in Võru county (Estonia) are developed









- A website for potential investors in Võru www.investinvoru.com is developed
- An information package for investors website, brochure and marketing tools – is elaborated
- Opportunities for local SMEs to develop their business in international markets are ensured
- The quality of business fairs and business activities, events in border regions of Estonia, Latvia, Russia is ensured



# **Heritage Business**

# Promoting the Use of Cultural Heritage and Resources in Product Development in Border Areas

Project in key words

Development of competitiveness of SMEs from border areas through cross-border cooperation and use of local cultural heritage and resources in product development

Partners (lead partner first)



The Union of Setomaa Rural Municipalities (Estonia) Administration of Pechory District (Russia) Ape Municipality Council (Latvia)

Associates:

Estonian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Estonia) The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Pskov Region (Russia)

**Total budget** spent

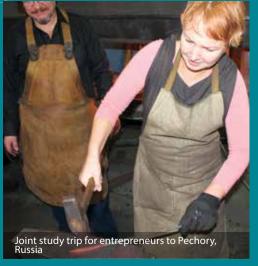


772 995 EUR

**Duration** 

























 A Manual for small and medium-sized enterprises about the possibilities in using traditional cultural heritage in business are issued. Brochure in Russian is issued about Cross-Border Business and Cooperation in Pechory (Russia)

- 3 cross-border cooperation (CBC) networks are created (Lat–Rus, Est–Rus, Est–Lat) between businesses participating in 6 study tours
- 1 CBC network is created (Est-Lat-Rus) between 40 tourism businesses participating in 3 joint cooperation seminars in Pskov, Ape and Setomaa
- A Cross-border Business and Cooperation Centre is established in Pechory (Russia) offering different kinds of support to SMEs, including the opening of the Business incubation centre
- To ensure future sustainability of the business sector and to reduce unemployment among young people, a pilot business training programme is started in 3 schools in Pechory (Russia) and 2 schools in Ape area (Latvia), the existing programme was improved in 4 Setomaa schools
- New equipment is installed in 3 schools in Pechory (3 multimedia sets, including interactive blackboards, computers and data cameras), in 2 schools in Ape (1 multimedia set, 1 portative computer, 1 interactive blackboard), and in 4 schools in Setomaa (4 sets of interactive blackboards, 4 copy machines, 4 colour printers, 4 document cameras and 15 Tablet PCs)





- Skills and knowledge of ca 130 SMEs are improved about using cultural heritage in product development during 22 training days
- Improvement of the business environment for small and medium-sized enterprises, cross-border trade, knowledge and skills of SME's in the project area
- Skills and knowledge of ca 100 SMEs were improved during 6 seminars where participants received valuable information about the regulations and conditions regulating cross-border trade
- During the seminars many SMEs improved skills and knowledge:
  - 85 SMEs from Pechory district (Russia) about entering Estonian and Latvian markets and benefits from crossborder cooperaation and trade
  - 55 SMEs from Estonia and 35 SMEs from Latvia on entering the Russian market and benefits from cross-border cooperation and trade
  - 30 SMEs from Latvia about entering the Estonian market
- A cross-border network of 150 school-children from 3 countries (Estonia, Latvia, Russia) was created during the joint study tours and joint events
- The website of Cross-Border Business and Cooperation http://bizpechory.ru/ is created



Logistics and Overland Transport Network for Training "Blue Collars"



Fostering socio-economic development through the development of the labour market potential with a special focus on cooperation between research and educational institutions and businesses in order to raise the quality of the workforce

Partners (lead partner first)



Valga County Vocational Training Centre (Estonia) Valga County Development Agency (Estonia) Riga State Technical School (Latvia)

Latvian Transport Development and Education Association (Latvia)

Petersburg State Transport University (Russia) NPMP "North-Western Russia Logistics Development and

Information Centre" ILOT (Russia)

St. Petersburg State University of Telecommunications (Russia)

Associate:

Valga Town Government (Estonia)

**Total budget** spent



433 000 EUR

**Duration** 





















- 2 new training programmes in logistics and transport for Vocational Education Training (VET) Schools are prepared and implemented. The programmes meet the demands of European 5th qualification level and are implemented in Valga County Vocational Educational Training Centre (Estonia) as a model to other VET schools
- 5 ICT tools are tested: for warehousing 2 ICTbased programmes (Multiscience MultiMix Pallet, MultiMix Container) and 3 simulation software tools (AnyLogic, RunTheModel, Venism)
  - 6 master classes and 6 lectures by university professors of logistics including two video lectures were watched in YouTube 540 times
- Valga International Logistics Forum (Estonia) was organised and transmitted online via Internet with 280 viewers
- 6 printed study aids for logistics teachers are prepared
- Summer school for teachers and trainers of Estonia and Latvia Vocational Education Training Schools is conducted in Riga (Latvia). 2 crossborder cooperation networks of teachers and trainers are created for supporting logistics training in the project territory









- Study trips to Transcaucasia (Georgia, Armenia), Finland are arranged to exchange experience and promote logistics training
- 4 networking seminars for the business community and local authorities are organised
- 2 video advertisements about logistics studies are produced and promoted in the cinema in Pskov (Russia), in Latvian TV and via YouTube
- 2 promotional campaigns were held in 48 schools in Estonia, Latvia and Russia to introduce logistic studies in VET-schools
- Training quality of logistics in the border areas of Estonia, Latvia and Russia is improved
- The use of simulation, modelling and ICT-based programmes in transport and logistics is developed and widened in partner schools
- A wider use of simulation, modelling and ICT-based programmes raises the efficiency of the study process for students
- The level of competence and skills of 34 teachers and trainers of vocational schools is raised in the field of logistics
- Awareness of a wide public is raised about logistic study possibilities and 24 international students from Latvia, Russia, Armenia and Georgia have started studying logistics at Valga County Vocational Training Centre



### Transport and Logistics

Project in key words

Development of the potential of the labour market in the field of transport and logistics in the border areas of Russia and Latvia by improving and broadening accessibility of vocational training programs

Partners (lead partner first)



Malnava College (Latvia) State Budgetary Educational Institution of Pskov Region "Pskov Agricultural College" (Russia) Academic Park (Latvia)

Associates:

Latvian National Association of Haulers (Latvia) State enterprise of Pskov Region "Pskovpassazhiravtotrans"

Joint-stock company "PskovStroyTrans" (Russia) Limited Liability Company "Avtomashservis" (Russia)

**Total budget** spent

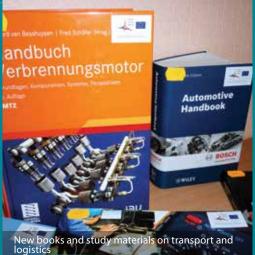


219 465 EUR

**Duration** 



























- 2 round table discussions, 2 informal networking events and a conference on Transport and Logistics in Malnava (Latvia) with the involvement of specialists in the Transport and Logistics sphere (T&L) to clarify issues in the labour force and current state of T&L
- 1 improved vocational training programme on motor vehicles (with translation in English), comprising 5 study courses in Latvian and 4 modules in Russian, all are available on paper and electronically
- 1 new study module on Logistics is elaborated and incorporated into the vocational training programme in Latvian and Russian
- 1 distance learning tool is elaborated, based on the Moodle platform, the database is accessible from websites: www.transport-education.eu, www.malnava.lv, www.psksht.ru
- 3 sets of distance learning equipment and new equipment for the Automotive laboratory are provided: the Electrical Testing Lab in Malnava College (Latvia) is equipped with 39 units of testing equipment; the Auto lab in Pskov Agrotechnical College (Russia) is equipped with 19 units
- Supplementation of 3 study libraries with 1155 new books and study materials on motor vehicles, transport, logistics, business, management, ICT etc., including electronic versions
- Joint participation in 10 vocational education events (8 in the Programme area and 2 outside the Programme area) with joint exhibition grounds and a stand
- 3 trainings and 1 study tour to the Automotive Fair in Frankfurt-on-Main (Germany)



- More than 6000 informative and promotional materials are issued and distributed, amongwhich 600 copies of information materials are on improved training offers
- Cooperation between colleges and business associations, transport associations and employees in the field of transport and logistics is developed and strengthened
- A vocational training programme on motor vehicles in the field of transport and logistics is improved
- Quality and potential of the trained workforce is raised due to the incorporated new study module on logistics
- Academic staff competence and qualification is raised in motor engineering, diagnostics, exploitation; new skills and knowledge in latest technologies and trends in transport and logistics is obtained
- Accessibility of the improved vocational training programme within Latgale (Latvia) and Pskov (Russia) regions is ensured
- Future joint activities are planned after signing 3 long-term cooperation agreements between Malnava College, Pskov Agrotechnical College and transport associations



### Regions Are to Attract the Investors

**Project in key** words

Fostering socio-economic development of the cooperating regions by improving their competitiveness in attracting foreign investments

Partners (lead partner first)



Foundation Ida-Virumaa Industrial Area Development (Estonia)

Estonian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Estonia) Municipal Fund "Ivangorod Centre of Sustainable Development" (Russia)

#### **Associates:**

Committee of the SMEs and Consumer Market Development of Leningrad Region (Russia) Public Institution of Leningrad Region "Leningrad Regional

Business Support Center" (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



368 735 EUR

**Duration** 





















- Good infrastructural pre-conditions and conditions for investors for an effective start of business operations are created in Narva (Estonia) and Ivangorod (Russia) border regions
- Detailed planning for a total area of 132ha and industrial plots of 80ha is completed in Kulgu Industrial Park (Narva, Estonia). The preconditions are created for attracting new industrial and logistical companies in Kulgu industrial park in Narva
- The construction project for a manufacturing business incubator (1318m²) in the territory of Kadastiku Industrial Park (Narva, Estonia) is elaborated
- Connection to the electric substation with electric power 8MW in Kadastiku Industrial Park is provided
- 10 new office workplaces are equipped for incubating entrepreneurs in Narva and Ivangorod Business Incubators. The business incubator is renovated in Ivangorod (Russia). The socially-oriented business incubator (one of a kind in Legingrad region) is operational in renovated premises in Ivangorod
- Heating costs are reduced in the Ivangorod business incubator by improving energy efficiency of the building on Kotovski Street 19
- 29 requests were received for detailed information about registration of enterprises, business support measures, and technical infrastructure in the border regions
- 19 new clients start business in Narva (12) and Ivangorod (7) incubators. 6 production companies, with a planned total number of employees – 615 people, have started to invest in the region

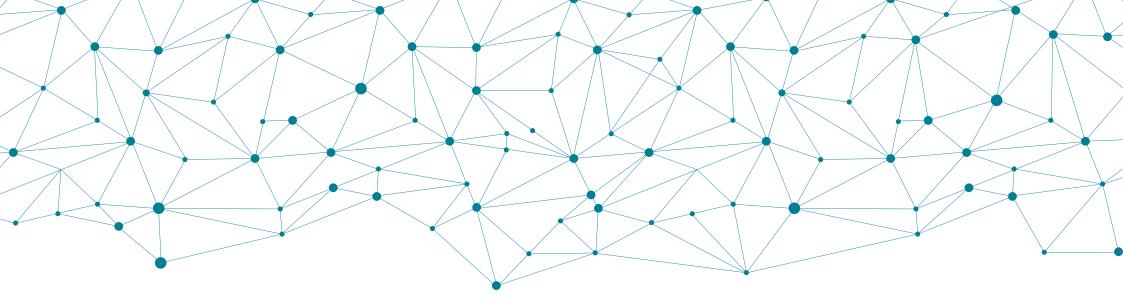








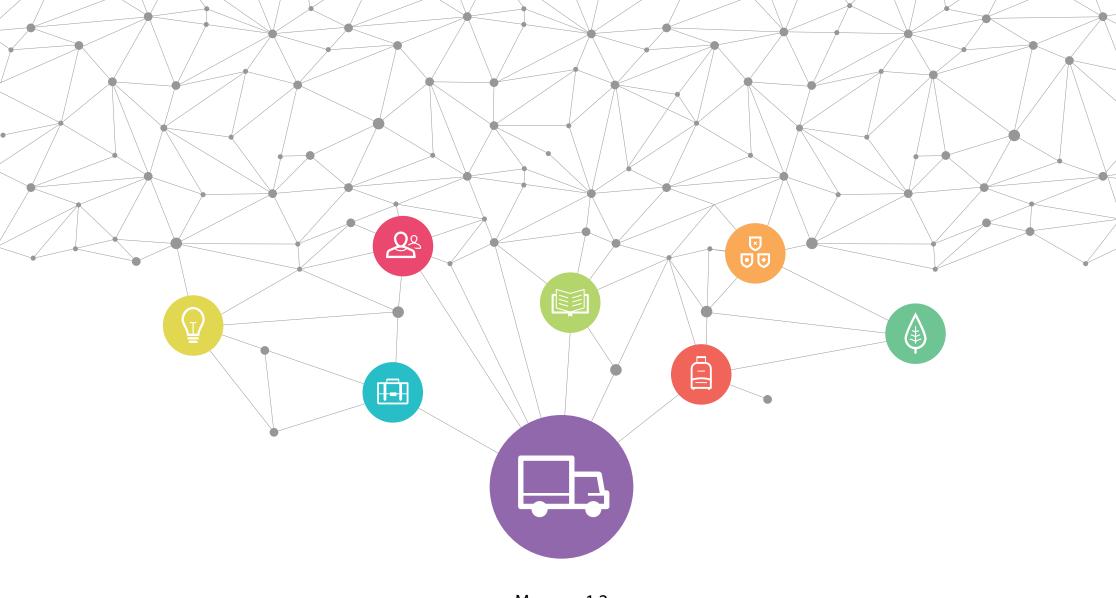
- 11 potential foreign investors demonstrate strong interest in the border regions
- 1 visit of Estonian entrepreneurs to Russia and 1 visit of Russian entrepreneurs to Estonia are organised. 2 marketing seminars for entrepreneurs are conducted in St. Petersburg and Tallinn
- 2 sets of modern IT solutions for distance incubator services are purchased, installed for Narva and Ivangorod incubators (interactive camera, microphone, LSD monitor, projector)
- 4 articles are published in Estonia and 1 in Russia in local and regional newspapers about the project
- 1 promotional video about business and logistical parks is produced
- 7 start-up incubator companies have got new partners and clients as a result of marketing executed within the project
- The quality of incubation and consultancy services of business incubators in Ivangorod and Narva have improved
- Sustainability of start-ups is improved by increasing the quality of incubation and consulting services in Ivangorod and Narva incubators











Measure 1.2

### Transport, logistics and communication solutions



# Increasing Traffic System Capability within EE-LV-RU International Importance Transport Corridors

Project in key words



Increase of sustainability, capability, accessibility of the transport system in the Estonia-Latvia-Russia border region and development of transport and road information infrastructure. Contribution to increase safety on the cross-border roads

Partners (lead partner first)



Latvian Office of Euroregion "Country of Lakes" (Latvia)

Karsava Municipality (Latvia)

Kraslava Municipality (Latvia)

Rezekne City Council (Latvia)

Preili Municipality (Latvia)

Ludza Municipality (Latvia)

Vilani Municipality (Latvia)

Pskov regional public organization "Lake Peipsi Project" (Pskov) (Russia)

The Administration of the Pskov District (Russia)

The Administration of the Krasnogorodsky District (Russia)

The Administration of the Pytalovo District (Russia)

The Administration of Pechory District (Russia)

Võru Town Government (Estonia) Tartu City Government (Estonia)

#### Associates:

Latvian Ministry of Interior Latgale Region State Police Department (Latvia) Road Traffic Safety Directorate (Latvia) Rally club "Ajags LATVIA" (Latvia) Võru Police Station (Estonia)

Total budget spent



1849 167 EUR

Duration















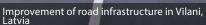


- Traffic Education Parks are installed in Karsava, Rezekne (Latvia), Pskov, Krasnogordosk, Pytalovo (Russia) and Voru (Estonia). Altogether a 6325m<sup>2</sup> territory is reconstructed with 7 training equipment sets, 30 training materials sets, 1 testing equipment set
- Children knowledge on traffic rules has improved due to functioning traffic education parks in border regions
  - Public awareness on traffic safety issues have increased after the involvement of 22 207 persons in 4 traffic safety campaigns, 2 forums, 4 study tours
  - 3-day International Forum "Safe Wheel" for 72 bicycle riders
  - 4 international campaigns were held:
    - Improvements in the transport and road information infrastructure in 12 Estonian, Latvian and Russian settlements located on the strategic transport corridors of international importance ensure traffic safety for drivers and pedestrians

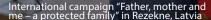


- Various leaflets, brochures, press-releases and articles, 11 video clips, promotional materials are issued and distributed during project implementation
- A handbook and web based catalogue "Innovative streetscape design – Sustainable Transport and Public Space Development in Border Towns of Estonia, Latvia and Russia" are issued in 4 study visits for 15 traffic safety responsible











The opening of the reconstructed road in



Improvements of transport and road information infrastructure by the impacted zone in a distance of 49.09 km of transit streets, including: Road surface reconstruction including lighting, 3 parking places, reconstruction of pedestrian roads, marking streets with plastics, installation of barriers, 13 bus stops, 60 traffic/street signs, 4 welcoming signs, 4 Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) sets, 3 recreation areas, 4 information stands, 9 crossings including lighting

representatives (from Estonia, Latvia, Russia) to establish contacts, get introduced with equipment, test new driver systems, get trained for safe driving in extreme situations

- The cross-border network is strengthened between at least 12 police and traffic safety responsible representatives of Latgale region (Latvia), South Estonia and Pskov oblast (Russia)
- The number of accidents, caused by fatigue, aggressive driving behaviour, lack of knowledge on traffic safety regulations, bad road infrastructure and lack of traffic signs have decreased

# **ICT Baltic**

### **Baltic ICT Platform**

Project in key words

Setting up the sustainable basis for modern information and communication tool (ICT) tool exchange, development of new e-government services and communication in crossborder areas

Partners (lead partner first)

Non-Commercial Partnership North-West Funding Service Centre (Russia)

European-Russian InnoPartnership (Russia)

St. Petersburg Institute for Informatics and Automation of Russian Academy of Science (Russia)

Latvian IT Cluster (Latvia)

NGO ICT Demo Center (Estonia) Tartu Science Park (Estonia)

Total budget spent

1 524 036 EUR

**Duration** 



















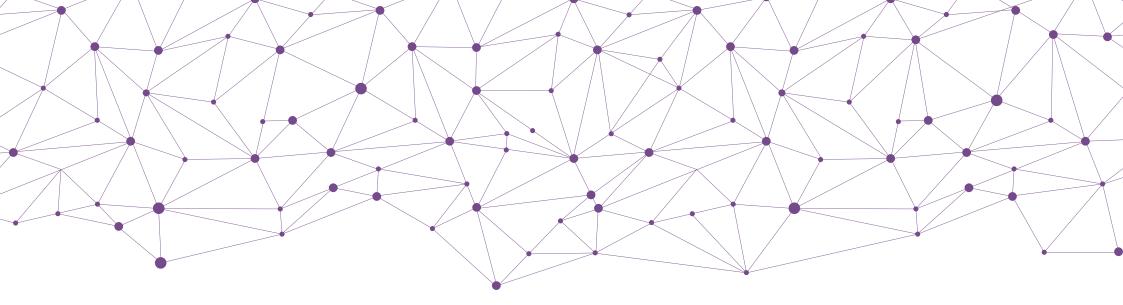
- Within the project 19 e-services of different kind for both e-governmental and e-business sectors for further demonstration and promotion through the partner Demo Centres are developed and tested. In addition, 145 e-solutions are exhibited in partners' Demo Centres
- 1 Demo Centre in North Estonia is improved and 3 new Demo Centres in St. Petersburg, Riga and South Estonia are opened and equipped with the most up-todate computer and demonstration equipment
- A network of 4 ICT Demo Centres in Tallinn, Tartu, Riga and St. Petersburg is established for e-service presentations
- The increase of the usage of modern ICT by governments of cooperating regions to serve business, educational institutions, public organizations and citizens locally and in cross-border areas



- More than 5000 visitors from 115 countries visited partners' Demo Centres, 37 seminars and trainings were performed, 3 promo videos were produced
- The most modern ICT approaches demonstrated at Demo Centre presentations and trainings to governmental, public, business sectors to improve their capacities
- Network partners established good connections with other Demo Centres and ICT clusters in different countries inside and outside the EU
- Participation in 5 international ICT exhibitions in Riga, Tallinn, Tartu and St. Petersburg
- Project partners strengthened their IT platforms for a wider promotion of e-services developed and presented in the Demo Centres
- Governmental bodies have a clear understanding of the demand for their services in cross-border areas
- Project partners got hold the latest concepts in the sector and transferred them into the national environment, like DEMOLA in Latvia and Living Lab in Estonia



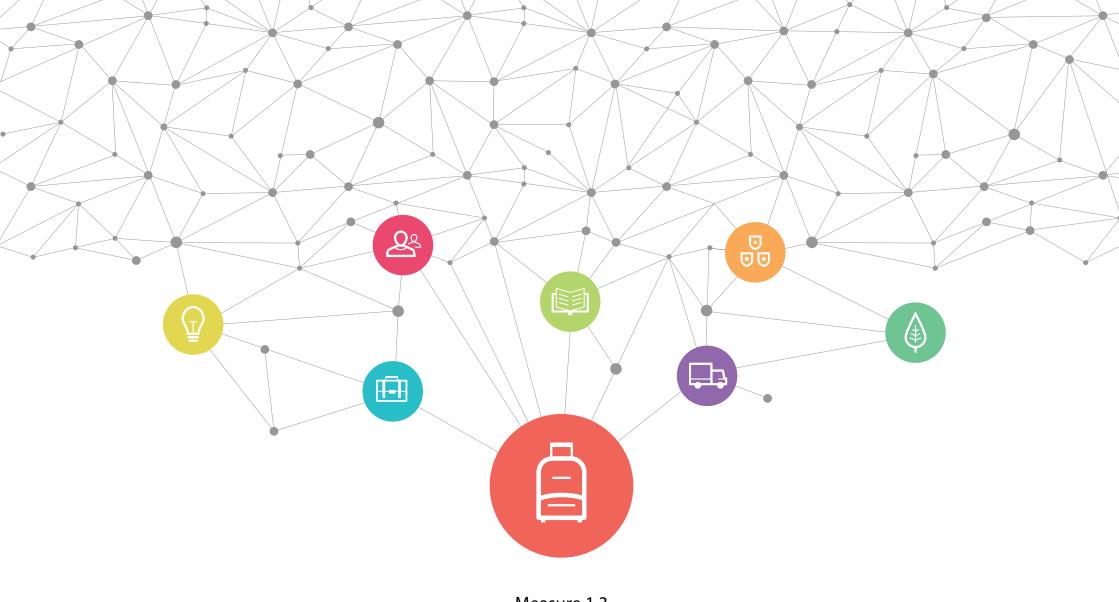












Measure 1.3

### **Tourism development**



### Enjoy the Best in Latvia, Estonia and Russia

Project in key words

Creation and promotion of the thematic tourism routes "National Cuisine" and "Recreation for families with children" and establishment of a long-term cooperation between tourism organizations in Latvia, Estonia and Russia

Partners (lead partner first)

Türi Rural Municipality (Estonia) Non-profit organization "Imperatorskii Vokzal" (Russia)

Budget (total awarded)

215 000 EUR

**Duration** 



















- 2 new tourism routes relaxation for families with children and for enjoying the national cuisine – are developed through Estonia, Latvia and Russia (St. Petersburg and Leningrad Oblast)
- Guidebooks in English, Estonian, Latvian, Russian, German and 40 250 copies of route maps are produced and distributed
- 204 tourism businesses are promoted in the guidebook
- 12 international tourism fairs in Latvia, Estonia, Russia, Lithuania, Germany and the Netherlands are attended with the exposition
- 2 seminars are organised for local entrepreneurs in Latvia and Russia
- 2 seminars are organised for tourism professionals in Latvia and Estonia
- 1 future cooperation agreement between the Latvian Camping Association, Regional Sports Federation of Sport Tourism of the Region of Leningrad and the Estonian Caravan Club is concluded









- The camping concept is promoted in Estonia, Latvia and Russia
- At least 600 000 people are informed about 2 new tourism routes, recreation and camping possibilities in the Programme territory in Estonia, Latvia and Russia via the website, tourism fairs and printed materials
- Business opportunities of 531 local small tourism entrepreneurs in Estonia, Latvia and Russia are developed through an increased number of visitors in the region
- 150 tourism professionals in Estonia, Latvia and Russia are informed about newly created tourism routes via seminars
- The cooperation network between Estonian, Latvian and Russian tourism experts is created and strengthened





#### **Exploring the History of the Narrow Gauge** Railway

**Project in key** words

Creation and promotion of the thematic tourism routes "National Cuisine" and "Recreation for families with children" and establishment of a long-term cooperation between tourism organizations in Latvia, Estonia and Russia

Partners (lead partner first)

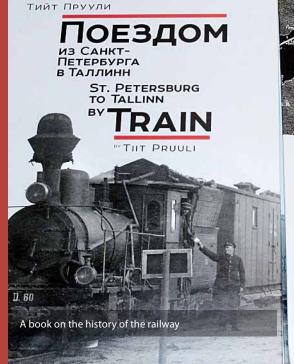
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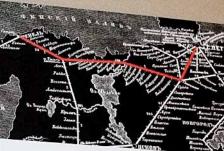
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214 868 EUR

**Duration** 













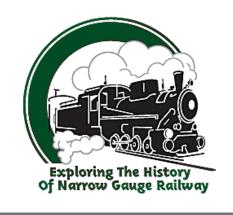


- Precoditions for the creation of the Türi Railway Museum in Türi, Estonia are established: the concept of the museum, feasibility study, marketing strategy, technical documentation of the preliminary design stage of the the Museum are elaborated; presentation equipment is purchased
- Preconditions for the creation of the railway exposition in St. Petersburg, Russia are established: the concept, feasibility study, marketing strategy, exposition plan, research report on exposition sources and conceptual design of the exposition area are elaborated; exhibits planned for the railway exposition in St. Petersburg are identified
- A joint tourism strategy is elaborated by the Türi Rural Municipality and NGO "Imperatorskii vokzal" regarding planning internal and external, and mutual activities for Türi Railway Museum and the exposition in St. Petersburg
- A comperehensive book of the history of the railway "St. Peterburg to Tallinn by Train" is written by Tiit Pruuli (famous Estonian writer) in English and Russian. The public opening was organised on 2 July 2013 with ~ 100 participants
- 1 contract is signed between Türi Rural Municipality, Estonia Museumrailway and Edelaraudtee Infrastruktuuri AS, and the NGO as the legal body for the future Türi Railway Museum is established









Project Logo

- 2 study trips to railway museums in Estonia and in St. Petersburg are organised in 2012 and 2013
- A seminar promoting the idea of cooperation in tourism between Estonian and Russian entrepreneurs was organised in Türi, Estonia
- Succesful corporate design and the website of the project are created and in the future will be transfered to Türi Railway Museum www.railwaymuseum.ee
- New materials and small exhibits for the future Türi Railway Museum are donated thanks to positive publicity of the book "St. Petersburg to Tallinn by Train"
- A new tourism object Türi Railway Museum is expected to be opened on the basis of project outputs

# **EstRusFortTour-2**

#### Unique Estonian-Russian Fortresses Ensemble Development as a Single Tourist Product. Stage II

**Project in key** words



Development of the Narva and Ivangorod fortresses ensemble as a single tourist product and the area's unique historical heritage

Partners (lead partner first)



Narva City Government, Department for City Development and Economy (Estonia)

Administration of the Municipal Formation "City Ivangorod Kingisepp Municipal District" (Russia) Narva Museum (Estonia)

#### Associates:

Heritage Conservation Board of Estonia (Estonia) Ida-Viru County (Estonia) Committee for Culture of Leningrad Region (Russia) Committee for Culture, Sport and Youth Policy of City Administration Kingisepp (Russia) "Museum Agency" Leningradskaya Oblast State Institution of Culture (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



1775 020 EUR

**Duration** 



32 months

















Foundation "Narva Museum" (Estonia)

- Access roads to Narva and Ivangorod fortresses complex are converted into attractive convenient sights for visitors and the local population, accessibility for families with children and disabled people is improved
- The Ivangorod fortress access road (370 m length), descent (336 m) and ascent to the fortress (90 m) are modernized, parking and public toilets are constructed, the landscaping and video-monitoring system is developed
- The Narva fortress access territory (13 538 m<sup>2</sup>) is reconstructed and landscaping is improved
- 67 tourism objects in Narva and Ivanogorod are described, legends and stories about Narva and Ivangorod are included in audiotours. The audiotour in 3 languages – Estonian, Russian and English – is installed in audioquides, and is available for free downloading
- Tourist companies included a new service in tourist packets to visit Narva-Ivangorod fortresses







- 3 exhibitions, 1 conference and 2 large scale events for wider public are organized
- 14 TV/radio programs are produced, press tours and promotional tours for tourist companies are conducted
- Regions are widely promoted due to close cross-border cooperation and joint events
- Promotional materials about Narva and Ivangorod fortresses are widely available for the local and regional audience





# River Promenades II

#### **Development of the Historical Riverside** Protection Area in Narva/Estonia and Ivangorod/Russia II Stage

Project in key words



Integrated construction and improvement of the historical promenade areas in Narva/Estonia and Ivangorod/Russia

Partners (lead partner first)



Municipality of Narva, Department for City Development and Economy (Estonia)

Administration of Municipal Formation "City Ivangorod, Kingisepp district, Leningrad oblast" (Russia)

#### Associates:

Committee for Culture, Sport and Youth Policy of City Administration Kingisepp (Russia) Ida-Viru County (Estonia) Environmental Board of Estonia (Estonia) Heritage Conservation Board of Estonia (Estonia) Foundation "Narva Museum" (Estonia)

**Total budget** spent



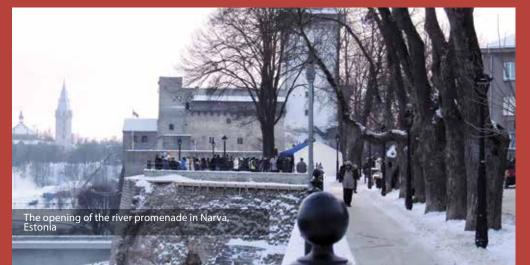
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**Duration** 











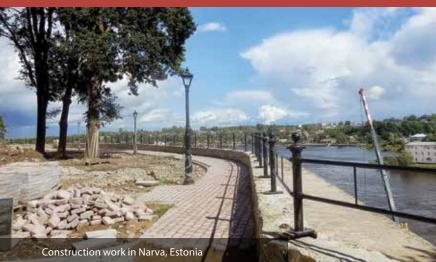












- Border riverside areas in Narva and Ivangorod are converted into attractive convenient sights for inhabitants and visitors
- The Northern promenade of Narva river – the thematic place called "Fisher market" is reconstructed in Ivangorod (ca 3570m²)
- Part of the upper promenade of Narva Fortress is reconstructed (ca 4700m²)
- A festive opening of Narva and Ivangorod promenades in February 2014 were attended by the Estonian Ministry of the Interior, Governor of Leningrad Region, tourist companies, mass-media, potential investors and a wider public
- 5 round tables are organised with the participation of Russian funding institutions and private investors



- Potential investors expressed their wish to develop the Ivangorod promenade and support its further construction.
   2 contracts with investors are signed to operate in the newly created walking area in Ivangorod
- In order to promote both promenades, various publications, articles, press conferences, TV/radio broadcasts are produced
- Raised awareness of tourist operators, service providers and inhabitants in project regions and countries about new opportunities for visitors
- Cross-border cooperation between Narva and Ivangorod is enhanced, future common initiatives are outlined
- Promotional and thematic materials about Narva and Ivangorod culture and history are widely available for the local and regional audience
- Regions are widely promoted due to close cross-border cooperation and joint events





# **SVS ACTIVETOUR**

Establishment of the Environment in Võru (EE), Sigulda (LV), St. Petersburg (RU) for **Development of Tourism** 

Project in key words



Promotion of tourism and recreation in cross-border areas of Sigulda-Võru-St. Petersburg by transforming suburban areas to areas suitable for active and sports tourism

Partners (lead partner first)



Sigulda District Council (Latvia)

Committee for Physical Culture and Sports, Government of St. Petersburg (Russia)

Võru Town Government (Estonia)

St. Petersburg State autonomous enterprise "Directory for Managing Sport Facilities" (Russia)

St. Petersburg State autonomous enterprise "Training Centre for National Sport Teams" (Russia)

Associate: Association "A2" (Latvia)

**Total budget** spent



1 664 856 EUR

**Duration** 



















- Active and sports tourism objects are developed at Laurenči centre in Sigulda (Latvia), Kubija recreation centre in Voru (Estonia), and 2 service houses on existing skiing tracks in St. Petersburg (Russia):
  - at Laurenči centre a cooled 1.1 km ski track (as a part of a general 1.4 km ski track), a stadium and a service house are constructed
  - at Kubija recreation centre sports fields and playgrounds, soccer fields, volleyball and handball courts, paths are renovated and developed
  - at Kurortniy and Primorskiy districts of St. Petersburg 2 service houses are built and equipped
- Sport & service equipment is provided:
  - a snow-making/maintenance complex and 16 ski sets at Laurenči centre
  - a tractor for path maintenance and a fitness complex at Kubija centre
  - 30 ski sets (with mounting, sticks and boots) and 32 bicycles at St. Petersburg service houses
- 14 sport events are organised: 3 roller ski,
   2 triathlon, 2 bike and 2 skiing competitions,
   2 orienteering and 1 badminton event,
   running training and a mountain marathon











- Various brochures, press-releases, promotional items and short movies are produced to inform about sports and recreation possibilities
- Active and sports tourism objects are available for sportsmen and a wider public in Sigulda (Latvia), in Voru (Estonia) and in St. Petersburg (Russia)
- A joint active and sports tourism strategy for further development of cooperation between Sigulda District, Voru District and St. Petersburg is produced
- A healthy and active lifestyle is promoted for local communities, local municipalities and regional authorities
- Sport organisation partnership is widely promoted due to close cross-border cooperation and joint events

# Tour

### Tour de Latgale & Pskov

Project in key words

Development of cooperation and establishment of a permanent cooperation network in the tourism sector among Latgale Region and Pskov Region

Partners (lead partner first)

Latgale Planning Region (Latvia) Latgale Region Development Agency (Latvia) State Committee for Culture of Administration of the Pskov Region (Russia) Pskov Tourism Development Centre (Russia)

Total budget spent



1 603 521 EUR

**Duration** 















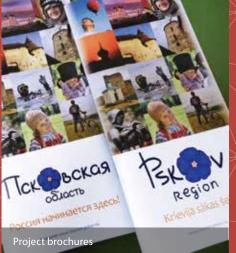






- 5 new tourism routes Sacral, Crafts, Rural, Nature, and Culture are created
- Tourism infrastructure sites are improved in Baltinava, Balvi and Vilaka, Latvia
- A childrens' playground is installed at Kovsu Lake in Rēzekne, Latvia. Equipment and supplies in tourism spots are installed in Pitalovo, Palkino, Ostrow, Pehcory, Pskov Municipality in Russia and Aglona, Dagda, Ludza, Riebiņi, Cibla, Zilupe in Latvia
- 8 workshops for tourism professionals, municipal representatives and others involved in the tourism sector are held
- At least 192 tourism professionals and municipality representatives gained new knowledge about new tourism routes and interregional tourism marketing activities







 TOP 10 tourism objects of Latgale and Pskov are produced and distributed through 9 international tourism trade fairs

Latgale promo tours for tour operators and mass media from St. Petersburg

- The Mobile Augmented Reality application "Ludza castle" (Latvia) is created
- The marketing campaign "Sirsnīgi" is performed
- A cooperation network between Latgale and Pskov Region in tourism is created and strengthened during the project life time. The capacity of Pskov Tourism Development Centre is increased and tourism promotion activities are more effective
- Increased safety on 15 water sites (10 % less injuries and fatalities already in the second year of the project implementation)
- An increase of visitors to the sites by 3 % and tourists in Latgale in the first half of 2014 by 30 %



- 2 five-day promo tours for tour operators and mass media of St. Petersburg (Russia) are organised
- The brochure "Russia Begins Here" in 5 languages is produced and distributed
- The brochure "Latgale Unites" is produced and distributed; among them 20 000 on the board of airBaltic on more than 3100 flights to 41 destinations





#### Advancing Remote Areas by Development of the Cross-Border **VH Tourism Route on the Basis of Local Resources**

**Project in key** words



Elaboration of the joint Via Hanseatica tourism package and modules, establishment of a strong international partnership, and advanced accessibility of tourism objects and services along the Via Hanseatica area in Estonia, Latvia and Russia

Partners (lead partner first)



Vidzeme Planning Region (Latvia)

#### Partners:

Committee for Culture of the Leningrad region Administration (Russia) NCO "International Centre for Social and Economic Research "Leontief Centre"(Russia)

Foundation Valga County Development Agency (Estonia)

Foundation Tartu County Tourism (Estonia)

Foundation Jõgeva County Development and Enterprise Centre (Estonia)

Foundation Ida-Viru County Enterprise Centre (Estonia)

Koceni Mucipality Council (Latvia)

Municipal agency "Cesis Culture and Tourism center" (Latvia)

Sigulda District Council (Latvia)

Strenči Municipality Council (Latvia)

Valka Municipality Council (Latvia)

Valmieras City Council (Latvia)

Palupera Municipality Council (Estonia)

Foundation Luke Manor (Estonia)

Jõgeva Municipality Council (Estonia)

Saare Municipality Council (Estonia)

Avinurme Municipality Council (Estonia)

#### Associates:

Vidzeme Tourism Association (Latvia)

Committee for Physical Culture, Sport and Tourism of the

Leningrad Region (Russia)

Administration of MF "City Ivangorod Kingisepp Municpal

District Leningrad Oblast" (Russia)

Committee on Culture, Sports and Youth Policy of the City

Administration of Kingisepp (Russia)

Administration of Gatchinsky Municipal District (Russia)

Valga County Government (Estonia)

Tartu County Government (Estonia)

Jõgeva County Government (Estonia)

Ida-Viru County Government (Estonia)

Union of Local Municipalities of Valga County (Estonia)

Union of Local Municipalities of Tartu County (Estonia)

Helme Municipality Council (Estonia)

Hummuli Municipality Council (Estonia)

**EELC Hargla Congregation (Estonia)** 

Otepää Municipality Council (Estonia)

Nõo Municipality Council (Estonia)

Pala Municipality Council (Estonia)

Sillamäe City Council (Estonia)

Mäetaguse Muncipality Council (Estonia)

Riga Planning Region (Latvia)



1763 552 EUR



39 months



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**Duration** 



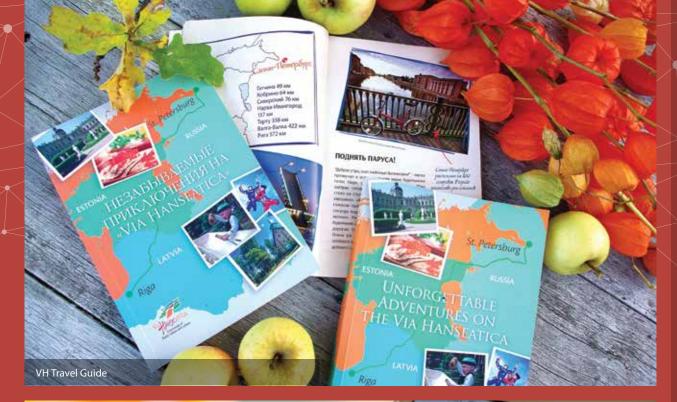


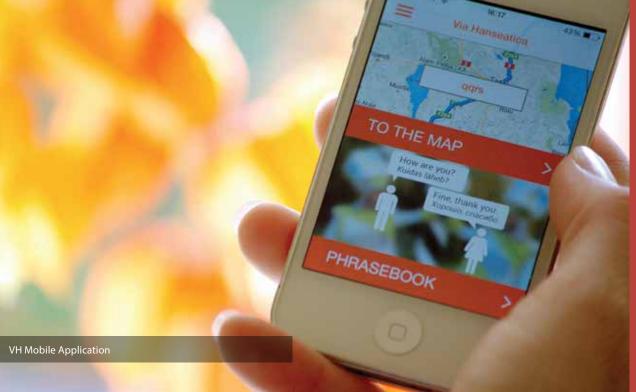












- A developed Via Hanseatica (VH) tourism package that covers tourism objects/ services in Estonia, Russia and Latvia. The objects are included in the interactive web map and travel planner
- 786 tourism objects, services and attractions are included in the Via Hanseatica route
- VH partners have improved 12 objects and created 11 new opportunities for infrastructure investments
- 12 thematic routes are created and included in the VH travel planner. Among them 3 thematic routes – "Family Fun", "People to meet and Culture to greet", "Adventure in Nature"
- Increased professional knowledge of specialists and decision makers for planning and supporting tourism and regional development
- VH is promoted by 70 well-trained guides, who regularly lead tourism groups to VH objects
- 314 road signs, 56 object signs and 22 road information-boards are installed along the route
- A VH mobile application and audio guide that support travelling in the VH territory are developed
- VH traveller's materials are issued and distributed to facilitate trip planning and improve the travel experience
- An e-book format of the VH travel guide (in five languages) is published and available for free downloading in one of the biggest e-book stores "Rahva Raamat" in Estonia

















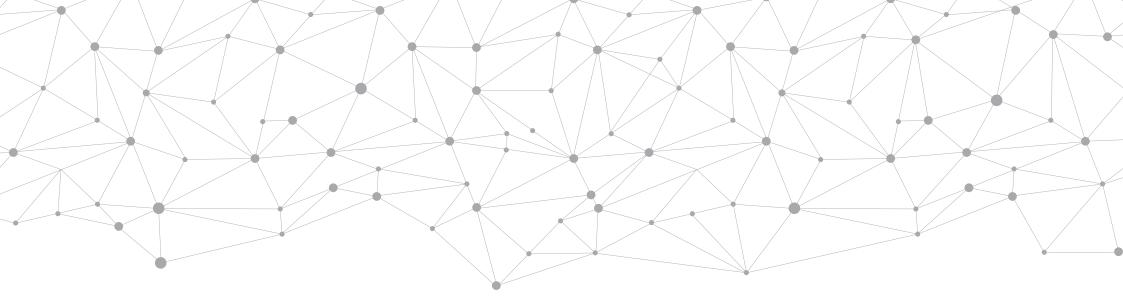








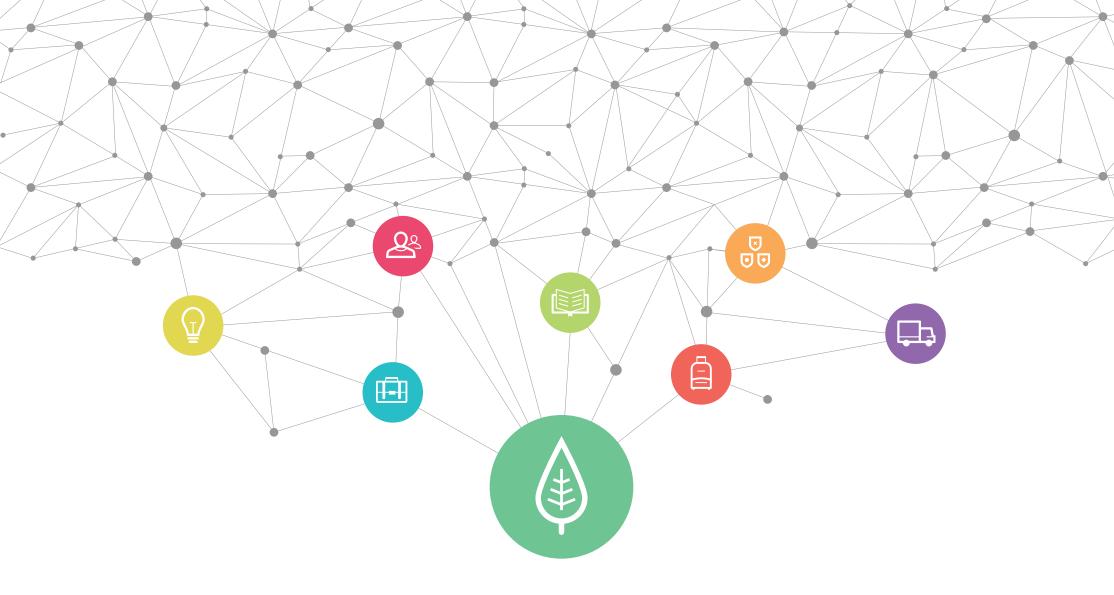
- A general TOR for guide training is prepared for use in all 3 countries ensuring a homogeneous approach of training
- A database of VH service providers, tour operators, guides, tourism specialists in Estonia, Latvia, Russia is created
- VH has participated in 4 international tourism fairs in Helsinki, Finland, Tallinn, Estonia and in Hamburg, Germany
- 8 VH promotional video clips are prepared, including 5 thematic and 3 country-specific for use in media, social media, fairs, presentations
- Raised awareness and visibility of the VH tourism region, objects and services via targeted marketing actions leading to an increase in the tourism sector income
- During the VH final conference representatives of Russia, Estonia and Latvia authorities signed the Cooperation Framework Agreement and promised to continue the development of Via Hanseatica
- An established strong international partnership of regional and local authorities, entrepreneurs and tourism development organisations along the VH area in Estonia, Latvia, Russia. Increased investments into tourism infrastructure on the VH route



#### **PRIORITY II**

### **Common challenges**

The Priority aims at addressing common problems and initiating and continuing joint actions in the areas of common interest on both sides of the border



Measure 2.1

Joint actions aimed at protection of the environment and natural resources

## **AQUA LIFE** (#)

**Water Environment Protection and Green** Lifestyle Measures Development in Latvia and Russia Border Regions

Project in key words



Increasing attractiveness of border areas through a joint educational approach, exchange of experience and solutions aiming at the improvement of environmental conditions of public artificial and natural water bodies in Latvia and Russia

Partners (lead partner first)



Latvian Office of Euroregion "Country of Lakes" (Latvia) County Council of Riebini (Latvia) Dagda Local Municipality (Latvia) County Council of Preili (Latvia) Ilukste Local Municipality (Latvia) County Council of Livani (Latvia) Local Municipality of Daugavpils (Latvia) District Administration of Sebezh (Russia) Administration of Pechory Town (Russia) District Administration of Pitalovo (Russia) District Administration of Pskov (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



460 915 EUR

**Duration** 























- Water with a total area of 1.12 ha in Latvia is improved
- Installation of 57 waste containers and 7 wooden platforms for the waste containers near public water bodies in Latgale and Pskov regions
- 10 mobile "Green laboratory" events are organized in 4 municipalities of Latvia and 6 municipalities in Russia and are visited by 520 local inhabitants
- 2 summer camps "Eco Life School" in Preili (Latvia) and Sebezh (Russia) on environmental protection and green thinking promotion are organized for 67 children 12 to 14 years of age
- 26 clean-up collectives of coasts and territories at water bodies in Latvia (11) and Russia (15) with the involvement of 1139 local inhabitants
- The attractiveness and environmental condition of public artificial and natural water bodies in the border areas of Latvia and Russia in the project territory are improved

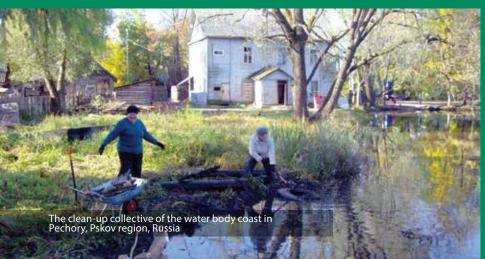


- A 2-day training seminar for 15 specialists of partner's municipalities on the conservation of the artificial and natural water bodies and its sustainable management is organized in Latvia
- 8 technical projects for further reconstruction and cleaning work of water bodies in Russia and Latvia are prepared









- The book "Explore the Environment" with educational material additional to biology lessons for 6–8 forms are issued
- Produced video clip "AQUA LIFE" (10 min) showing the differences between clean and unclean water bodies for demonstration at schools
- Common guidelines on conservation and sustainable management of water bodies are prepared to establish a joint cross-border approach for the protection of the environment
- School children and local inhabitant knowledge about the environment and its ecosystem is increased due to issued educational materials (books and video clip) and organized activities (green laboratories, summer camps, informative campaign)



# Emajõe-Pskov WMP

Water Management Project of Peipsi, Pihkva, Lämmijärve, Saadjärve and Veskijärve Lakes

**Project in key** words



Protection of the environment and reduction of cross-border pollution through sustainable management and protection of freshwater resources on the Lake Peipsi Water Basin

Partners (lead partner first)



AS Emajõe Veevärk (Estonia) Mustvee Municipality (Estonia) Lohusuu Municipality (Estonia) Kasepää Municipality (Estonia) Municipal enterprise of Pskov city "Gorvodokanal" (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



1 784 029 EUR

**Duration** 























- 1 consistent Geographic information system (GIS) is prepared in Tartu, Estonia region comprising 51 wastewater treatment plants, 42 water treatment plants and bored wellpumping stations, 250 km of water supply, and 250 km of wastewater pipelines. Hardware and designing software for GIS is purchased
- 1 waste water treatment plant (WWTP) is reconstructed in Mustvee, Estonia – a sand separator, air blowers, sludge pumps are installed
- 2175 meters of water and 2140 meters of wastewater pipelines are installed in Palamuse, Estonia
- 2 water treatment plants are constructed in Kasepää municipality, Estonia:
  - In Kükita village the water station building is reconstructed and water treatment technology is improved
  - In Tiheda village a new building is constructed and water treatment technology is improved





- GIS enables to display, administer, store and print out the geographically related information, allows efficient maintenance of water and wastewater utilities, reducing maintenance and operating costs of utility networks
- Public water and wastewater services are extended through an improved supply network in the border territory of Estonia and Russia
- More than 100 inhabitants in Estonia and almost 200 000 inhabitants in Russia benefit from renovated wastewater plants and constructed water and wastewater pipelines





- 1 wastewater treatment plant is constructed in Pskov – 1 secondary settlement tank is installed
- Water and wastewater technical designs are prepared for 4 settlements in Estonia
- 9 tablets are procured for technical specialists to operate GIS

- Technical designs for water and wastewater objects enable to carry out procurements of construction work
- An increased connection rate to the public water and wastewater networks in partner municipalities
- The quality of drinking water is improved in 2 municipalities in Estonia which meets the requirements given in National legislation
- Pollution is reduced in Lake Peipsi Water Basin
- The mobility and efficiency of technical specialists increased to manage water and sewage utility networks



### GreenMan

#### Tartu, Rezekne, Pskov: Green Management for **Urban Development & Planning in EE-LV-RU Border Capitals**

**Project in key** words



Promotion of effective green management policies, practices and innovations, and learning opportunities in green management for students; increase of greenery and attractiveness of the cities in the Estonia-Latvia-Russia border area for their residents and visitors

Partners (lead partner first)



NGO "Lake Peipsi Project, Pskov" (Russia) Administration of Pskov City/Department of Urban Services (Russia)

Pskov State University (Russia)

Peipsi Center for Transboundary Cooperation (Estonia)

Tartu City Government (Estonia)

Estonian University of Life Sciences (Estonia)

Latvian Office of Euroregion "Country of Lakes" (Latvia)

Rezekne City Council (Latvia)

Rezekne Local Municipality (Latvia) Daugavpils University (Latvia)

**Total budget** spent

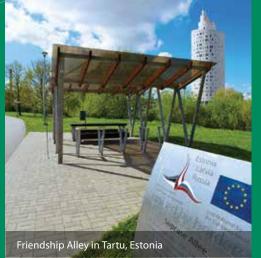


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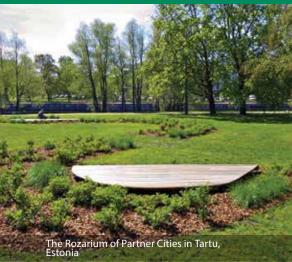


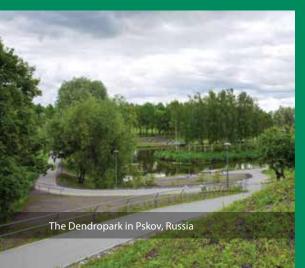












- 4 sets of technical documents for the creation and restoration of green areas are produced:
  - Tartu "Reconstruction of the Mathiesen Park"
  - Pskov "Restoration of the Botanic Garden"
  - Rezekne City "Reconstruction of North Industrial Zone Park"
  - Rezekne Municipality "Development of Greivuli Recreation Path"
- 4 large-scale urban green areas are created:
  - the Arboretum (Dendropark) in the center of Pskov is restored (5 ha);
  - the Friendship Alley in the center of Tartu is created (1 ha);
  - an eco-friendly Children's Recreation Area in Raina Park in Rezekne City is reconstructed (0.6 ha);
  - the Ancupani Forest Park Cover in Rezekne Local Municipality is improved (9.48 ha)
- More than 3000 trees in Rezekne and in Pskov were inventoried and summarised
- Trainings, workshops and seminars on Green Management, are held within the project
- 2 electronic urban green management and information systems (databases) for Rezekne City Council and Pskov City are developed and 1 Tartu's green management system is updated





- Raised awareness and increased competence among urban planning specialists, municipalities officers, students mainly from Tartu, Rezekne and Pskov about Urban Greenery via organised information activities and due to the preparation of the Manual report "How to Manage Urban Green Areas"
- Enhanced attractiveness of the cities in the Estonian, Latvian and Russian border areas for their residents and visitors due to increased greenery and created green areas
- Strengthened co-operation of NGOs with local and regional authorities from Tartu, Rezekne and Pskov in the field of urban development and spatial planning, green management
- A number of press-releases, interviews, video-clips and other information materials are published on the project activities
- The creation of small green areas: the Rozarium of Partner Cities and the Natural Trail in the center of Tartu



Integrated Intelligent Platform for Monitoring the Cross-Border Natural-Technological Systems

**Project in key** words

Development of the universal common intelligent platform for unifying efforts of specialists from Russia and Latvia to protect the environment based on the integrated space-ground monitoring

Partners (lead partner first)



Riga Technical University (Latvia) Saint Petersburg Institute for Informatics and Automation of RAS (Russia)

**Associates:** 

Committee on IT and Communications, Government of the City of St. Peterburg (Russia)

Latvian Transport Development and Education Association

Diplomatic Economic Club (Latvia)

Budget (total awarded)



909 097 EUR

**Duration** 



















- Elaborated: (1) Platform design for space and ground-based naturaltechnological systems (NTS) monitoring, (2) Methods for analysis and synthesis of monitoring and control systems, (3) IT technology development for synthesis of integrated real-time monitoring and control, (4) Techniques for adaptation of NTS space-ground based monitoring technologies for flood forecasting, oil pollution monitoring in water areas, and the prediction of forest fires, (5) Techniques for automatic analysis and synthesis of NTS monitoring programmes, (6) 7 software prototypes for NTS monitoring and control, (7) Infrastructure of the integrated distribution network
- 7 approbation studies and 2 real-time experiments are performed, multiple modelling scenarios are generated and simulated
- 2 seminars, 2 trainings for 40 specialists in 7 involved municipalities in Latvia and Russia are arranged
- In the Pskov Region (Russia)
   approbation of the developed
   techniques and software prototypes
   with satellite GeoEye-1 data is
   used to identify the area of soil
   disturbance of agricultural activities,
   to identify forest classification and
   environmental damages on the local
   territories
- Along the Daugava River (Latvia) the real-time approbation provides an accurate forecast of water flow simulation in cases of high and low water









- New web-services are available with flood forecast software including hydrological data collection, modelling, results storing and converting, publishing on the webpage and geoportal: https://daugava. crowdmap.com/main http://flood.aerospaceinfo.ru/
- Positive assessment reviews of the project results are supported by the involved municipalities (Riga city, Daugavpils, Madona, Gulbene, Alūksne, Lubāna and Jaunpiebalga Municipalities (Latvia) and the Pskov region, Razdolje Rural Settlement Self-government Administration (Russia))
- Distributed hardware and software infrastructures in Riga Technical University (Riga, Latvia) and SPIIRAS (St. Petersburg, Russia) for environmental monitoring and modelling of natural and technological objects, as well as for the training of specialists
- Joint initiatives with the Daugavpils City Council are performed for operative flood forecasting and visualization with social actions "Daugavpils against floods" and "Flood room"
- An international research and educational institution network is created including 10 institutions and 7 municipalities
- A number of press-releases and publications, scientific journals, press-conferences, TV videos are produced



### **Medical Waste**

## Eco-Friendly Disposal of Hazardous Medical Waste in the Cross-Border Region

Project in key words

Decrease of environmental risks in the cross-border region of North-West Russia and North-East Estonia by ensuring effective separation, neutralization and disposal of hazardous and infectious medical waste

Partners (lead partner first)



Kohtla-Järve Town Government (Estonia) Ida-Viru Central Hospital (Estonia)

Administration of Municipal Formation Slantsy Municipal District (Russia)

Municipal public health institution Slantsy Central Regional Hospital (Russia)

Not-for-profit Partnership North-West Funding Service Centre

Associates:

St. Petersburg Business Contact Centre Ida-Virumaa Society of Veterinarians Ltd. "Cosmos" Ida-Viru County Government

**Total budget** spent



454 962 EUR

**Duration** 



























- Two centres for processing hazardous medical waste – regional not-for-profit centres in Kohtla-Järve, Ida-Viru Central Hospital (Estonia), and in Slantsy Interregional hospital (Leningrad Region, Russia) are developed and equipped
- Premises required for the centre operation in Kohtla-Järve Central Hospital and in Slantsy interregional hospital are renovated
- 2 processing sets of equipment are purchased and installed for medical waste treatment in Slantsy and Kohtla-Järve hospitals
- 100 specialists from regional medical institutions in Kohtla-Järve, Slantsy and St. Petersburg are trained



- For each hospital partners developed their own logistics system of separation, collection, intermediate storage, and transportation of hazardous medical waste
- Safe treatment of potentially infectious waste originating from hospitals and satellite medical institutions is achieved. Risk of infection and epidemic during waste handling and storage is decreased
- The partner network is developed including 56 medical institutions in Estonia and Russia
- Environmental friendly disposal of hazardous waste is widely promoted due to close cross-border cooperation and joint events
- 3 trainings, 2 study visits and 14 public events are organised
- 2 thematic brochures for medical institution are printed, various articles, press-releases, newsletters, TV reports are produced





## People with nature

#### **Promoting Nature Education as an Efficient** Mean of Awareness Raising

Project in key words



Advancing environmental education methods and improving the availability of nature education to the society, showing the ways for further development of mankind to save natural resources for the next generations

Partners (lead partner first)



Nature Conservation Agency (Latvia) Natural History Museum Support Society (Latvia) Gauja National Park Foundation (Latvia) Dagda Local Municipality (Latvia) Tartu Environmental Education Centre (Estonia) Peipsi Centre for Transboundary Cooperation (Estonia) Pskov regional public organization "Lake Peipsi Project, Pskov" (Russia)

Federal State Institution "The Sebezh Natioanl Park" (Russia) Pskov Regional Centre of the Development of Gifted Children and Youth (Russia)

State Committee on Natural Resource Use and Environment Protection (Russia)

St. Petersburg charitable organization "Biologists for Nature Conservation" (Russia)

**Budget (total** awarded)



1 443 094 EUR

Duration























- The quality of nature education is improved via 13 newly established or improved nature education centres in Latvia, Estonia and Russia
  - 6 nature education centres are opened in protected areas in Latvia
  - 2 nature education centres are improved with equipment and wider offers developed in Estonia
  - 3 nature education centres are improved in Russia
  - 2 mobile nature education centres are created and accessible to local people in Russia
- Various tools for attracting visitors are created – 12 exhibitions and expositions are made, a virtual museum of the Lake Peipsi is established, Biodiversity Days and International Competition are organised
- 3 nature trails and stations of senses are open for the public in the National Park "Sebezhsky" in Russia, nature education centre (NEC) "Rāzna" and NEC Forest School "Pauguri" in Latvia
- Strengthened capacity, accessibility and recognition of NECs and advanced environmental education methods are developed
- 20 new study programmes are developed by the Nature Conservation Agency of Latvia, Peipsi Centre of Transboundary Cooperation, and St. Petersburg organisation "Biologists for Nature Conservation"
- The learning process of school children and students is improved with interactive learning materials and involvement in project activities

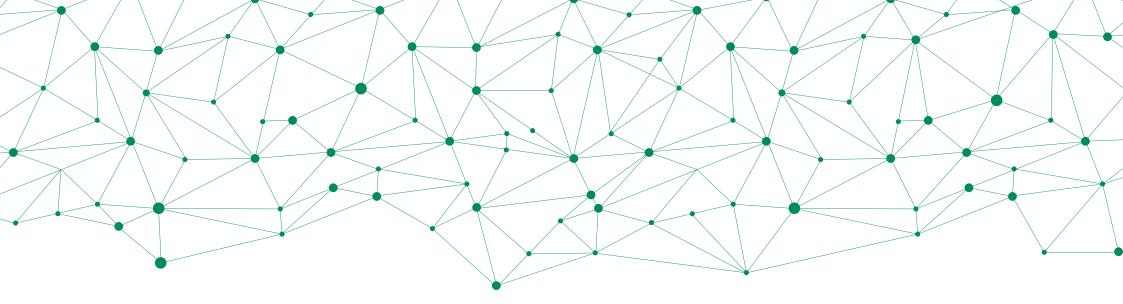








- Tools for nature education specialists, such as mobile boxes for environmental studies, are created and at least 24 educative events, such as trainings, seminars, camps and study visits for nature education are organised for specialists in Estonia, Latvia and Russia
- Experience and knowledge of 567 nature education specialists is raised
- 68 study days in Latvia, Estonia and Russia are organised for the wider public
- More than 5000 children have been involved in nature education activities via different camps and study-days
- An increased number of local and international visitors in NECs of Latvia, Estonia and Russia
- Creation of a cooperation network between public and non-governmental organisations in Estonia, Latvia and Russia
- Positive awareness towards activities in nature and nature education is achieved through numerous public events and attractive educational materials
- Exchange of experience and ideas in the form of study trips has greatly helped to establish good contact with partner organisations and disseminate project results





Measure 2.2

Preservation and promotion of cultural and historical heritage and support of local traditional skills



#### **ARCHAEOLOGY, AUTHORITY & COMMUNITY:** Cooperation to Protect Archaeological Heritage

Project in key words



Preservation and protection of common archaeological heritage in the cross-border region and raising awareness of people about it

Partners (lead partner first)



University of Tartu (Estonia) National Heritage Board (Estonia)

Non-Profit Association "Archaeological Centre" (Estonia) Institute of Latvian History at the University of Latvia (Latvia) Ludza Municipality (Latvia)

Alūksne Municipality (Latvia)

State institution of culture of Pskov Region "Archaeological Centre of Pskov Region" (Russia)

Independent non-profit organization "Pskov Archaeological Centre" (Russia)

Pskov State Historical-Architectural and Art Museum-reserve (Russia)

#### Associate:

State Committee on Protection of Cultural Heritage Objects of Pskov Region (Russia)

Gdov Regional Museum (Russia)

Institute of History of Material Culture of the Adademy of Sciences of Russia (Russia)



1 490 000 EUR















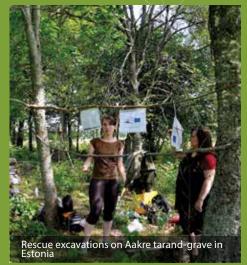


- 17 rescue excavations and a great number of field inventories are carried out
- 4 digital archaeol ogical databases common for Estonia, Latvia, Russia are produced. Systemised information is available in the databases on archaeological findings in all three countries
- 6 tourist routes in Estonia, Latvia and Russia (2 in each country) are created
- 1 Viking Age farmstead in Rõuge, Estonia is created/reconstructed
- 3 mobile exhibitions in Pskov, 1 new exhibition in Aluksne Museum and 3 new workshops in Ludza Museum are elaborated
- 3 editions of a popular journal of archaeological science "Tutulus" are issued. A number of books, broshures, newsletters and educational films about archaeology are prepared
- Around 150 public information days, schoolings, workshops are organised in Estonia, Latvia and Russia



- A big amount of new archaeological information is gathered, recovered and preserved for future studies
- Archaeological and common cultural heritage is preserved for the next generations
- Awareness of people of border areas is risen about archaeological heritage and the preservation of archaeological heritage









- A conservation laboratory in Pskov, Russia is reconstructed
- Around 2300 archaeological sites are inspected or found in Estonia, Latvia and Russia
- 1 new CBC organisation between Estonia, Latvia and Russia "Archaeological Heritage Protection Network" is established

- Storage and assessment facilities of archaeological finds are improved in Riga (Latvia) and Pskov (Russia)
- Awareness of employees of local municipalities of Estonia, Latvia and Russia is raised in terms of heritage protection
- Cross border cooperation contacts between people, organisations in the field of archaeology are established and strengthened



### **Cross Border E-archive**

Project in key words

Creation of a digital environment for descriptions and data of archival materials in Estonia, Latvia and Russia border area archives and provision of access to the heritage for the citizens of the area

partner first)

State Agency "Culture Information System" (Latvia) Ideju Forums (Latvia)

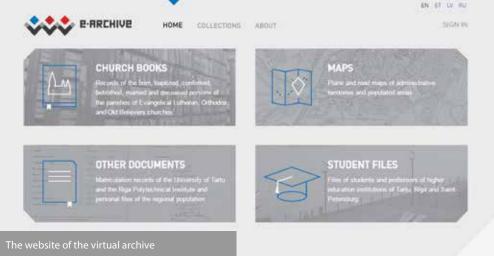
Directorate General of State Archives (Latvia) The National Archives of Estonia (Estonia) St. Petersburg Information and Analytical Centre (Russia)

Associate:

Archival Committee of St. Petersburg (Russia)

1 166 725 EUR

























- A virtual archive is developed as a universally accessible, functional, online digital platform www.earchive-estlatrus.eu (with possibilities for cross-collection search and indexation with metadata descriptions, and with an interface translated into English, Estonian, Latvian and Russian languages)
- 4 digitalised collections are developed – student files, church books, historical maps and various personal documents (from archives of Estonia, Latvia and Russia (St. Petersburg))
- More than 11 000 files (text materials, photographs and maps) are digitalised and more than 450 000 documents are made available for beneficiaries and target groups in Estonia, Latvia and Russia
- 1 content and 1 metadata database with standardised descriptions for the digital platform are developed
- A semi-professional social cooperation network is established and unites historians, archivists, librarians, educators and other people interested in cross-border cultural, historical, educational, personal or any other professional

contacts

- People from the border areas of Estonia, Latvia and Russia have unique digital access to the valuable and otherwise restricted collections and information related to the common history, culture and population of the citizens in their native languages and in English
- Future generations will gain from the content of the portal, its valuable genealogical information and will use it for creating new links
- Further development and expansion of the platform is ensured and additional newly developed services and themes can be included



- Video Clip capitalising project results are produced in 4 languages
- 6 international events are organised





#### Regeneration of Parks as an Integral Part of Historical Heritage

Project in key words

Development of competitiveness of SMEs from border areas through cross-border co-operation and use of local cultural heritage and resources in product development

Partners (lead partner first)



Vidzeme Tourism Association (Latvia) Gulbene Municipality Council (Latvia) State Budgetary Institution of Culture of the Leningrad Region "Museum Agency" (Russia) Rapina Municipality Government (Estonia)

**Total budget** 



258 296 EUR





















- The Green Heritage Tourism Route is created and it connects St. Petersburg– Pskov–Räpina–Gulbene–Rīga
- 4 sets of technical documentation are prepared – for the Main Gate of Gulbene Red palace park (Latvia), for parks of mansions "Rozdestveno" and "Suida" (Russia), for tracks of Sillapää manor park (Estonia)
- 4 cultural events for the wider public in Räpina (2), Suida and Gulbene are organised
- The Green Heritage Tourism Route is popularised and 36 heritage sites and surrounding green parks in Estonia, Latvia and Russia were promoted at international tourism exhibitions "Inwetex 2014" in St. Petersburg, "Balttour 2014" in Riga, "Tourest 2014" in Tallinn and "Honey Days" in Pskov
- 3 experience exchange visits and 3 workshops for professionals involved in management of the cultural heritage sites are organised
- 5 training events for local producers and craftsmen are organized and 242 persons are trained in marketing and new local product development
- A familiarisation tour for journalists from Russia is organised through the route









- Increased interest from tourists and visitors about the green heritage sites in Estonia, Latvia and Russia
- Raised knowledge and competence, exchange of best practice about management and restoration of the cultural heritage sites, as well best approaches for their effective use in tourism are identified
- Increased competitiveness and productivity of 242 local craftsmen and producers to enhance development of local economies
- Preconditions for sustainable exploitation of the heritage in the future and towards the wellbeing of local economies are established
- Contacts between the tourism stakeholders and local producers/craftsmen are strengthened
- A culture heritage tourism map is published in 90 000 copies
- The implementation plan "Culture & Hertage in parks" is elaborated
- Ground for future investments and continuous process towards preservation and reconstruction of 4 parks in Estonia, Latvia and Russia is laid



## **Landscape Pearls**

### Two Pearls of the Landscape Parks in Eastern Europe

Project in key words

Preservation and development of significant cultural and historical heritage of the Pavlovsk and Aluksne palaces and landscape park complexes and traditions of the restoration school of St. Petersburg, and increasing attractiveness and capacity of the border region museums

Partners (lead partner first)



Aluksne Municipality (Latvia) The Pavlovsk State Museum (Russia)

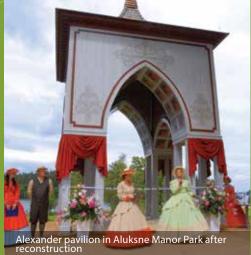
Total budget spent



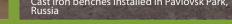
599 000 EUR

























- Preserved unique historical heritage of the landscape parks in Aluksne (Latvia) and Pavlovsk (Russia)
- 2 small architectural forms are restored: the 200-year-old wooden Alexander Pavilion in Aluksne Manor Park (Latvia) and the Grand Cascade in Paylovsk Park (Russia) erected in 1786. Also a small passage of Aluksne New Palace is restored
- Enhanced attractiveness of the museums and parks in Aluksne and Pavlovsk for their residents and visitors due to created accessibility and provided equipment
- The museums and parks are equipped: purchased 3 e-info stands, audio guides for Aluksne Landscape Park in 3 languages, portable chairs, a rickshaw, surveillance cameras and electricity supply are installed for Aluksne Manor Park, 10 information guidances with 7 direction signs on each in Aluksne town are placed; cast iron benches are installed and old trees are revitalized in Pavlovsk Park
- 5 practical and educational seminars are held in Aluksne and Pavlovsk and several kinds of tourism information materials are issued
- 2 new educational programs about landscape park in Aluksne – "Landlord laboratory" and "Dress like landlord and play croquet" are worked out
- 2 books are published: about the Grand Cascade in Pavlovsk and a photo album about barons von Vietinghoffs' heritage in Aluksne (both in 3 languages)











- Local people were involved in activities within parks` festivities and the conference about restoration, where they gained new knowledge about restored Alexander Pavilion, landscape parks, restored Grand Cascade, research works in Aluksne New Palace and Russian crafts in Latvia
- Research and a restoration methodology of Aluksne New Palace is worked out and applied
- Increased knowledge of visitors about landscape parks due to issued promotional items and printed materials about the parks and museums
- Raised awareness and increased capacity and competence among Latvian and Russian experts and museum specialists in the field of restoration, local crafts, preservation of objects of cultural and historical heritage



## Preserve not to lose

### To Preserve Not to Lose It -Safeguarding of Cultural Heritage

Project in key words



Development of manor complexes for preservation, promotion and efficient utilisation of tangible and intangible cultural and natural heritage

Partners (lead partner first)



Balvi Municipality (Latvia) Sangaste Rural Municipality (Estonia) Dedovichi District Administration of Pskov Region (Russia)

### Associates:

Latvian Chamber of Crafts (Latvia) Baltinava County Museum (Latvia) Viļaka Municipality (Latvia) Association of Latvia's Castles, Palaces and Manors (Latvia) Latvian Museum Association (Latvia) Estonian Rye Assocation (Estonia) Estonian Agricultural Museum (Estonia) Village Museum "Starinushka" (Russia) Culture Municipal Institution "Friendship Folk Museum of Pytalovo Area Local History" (Russia)

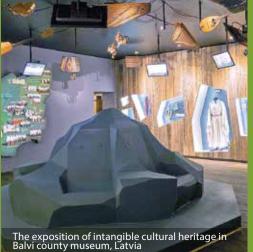
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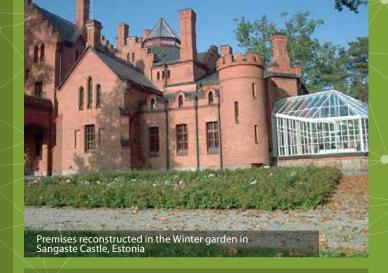




- 3 partners from Estonia, Latvia and Russia and it presents 100 year-old and contemporary traditions of growing rye and wheat, harvesting and baking bread
- 91 participants are trained in 3 local seminars organised at each partner's venues in Estonia, Latvia and Russia on the possibilities to start-up their own small business in crafts and traditional skills
- Traditional crafts and skills are taught by local craftsmen in 23 masterclasses to 524 participants

- 24 premises with a total area of 2261.91 m² in the Granary of Balvi manor, Sangaste castle and Dedovichi library are restored; design and interior are adjusted and equipped with modern technologies and furniture for 8 created and set permanent expositions with 25 digitalised units
- 5 exhibition halls in Balvi county museum, Latvia are equipped with modern technologies and are stylishly-designed;
   1 permanent exposition consisting of
   19 digital units is established
- 8 premises in Sangaste castle, Estonia with 5 contemporary expositions including 3 digitalised exhibitions have been created
- 11 rooms of Dedovichi district central library in Russia are renovated with 2 permanent expositions that are organised and are currently functioning. In the library the Centre of Cultural Heritage in Dedovichi is established. 1 park surrounding manor complex Knyazhi Hills is tidied and 1 park near Dedovichi library is landscaped
- A travelling exhibition "From Rye to Bread" is established with the contribution of all





- 3 2-day international events are organised by each Partner: "Rye's songs. Harvesting festivity" in Sangaste; "Nightingales Jugging in Knyazhi Hills" in Dedovichi; "Grey Stone Story Days" in Balvi with a total of 329 participants
- Complexes of manors in order to create preconditions for efficient natural and cultural heritage utilisation are developed to promote sustainable socio-economic development in Pskov, South Estonia and Latgale regions
- The attractiveness of Balvi, Sangaste and Dedovichi is improved for inhabitants of neighbouring regions, visitors and tourists
- Traditional crafts, skills and know-how are revived, exchanged and transferred to the next generations by means of facilitating preservation of nationally significant intangible heritage with contemporary ways and means
- A Coordinated Action Plan including a marketing program on possible cooperation activities for craftsmen and masters of traditional skills is developed and delivered
- A cooperation agreement among Sangaste Rural municipality, Dedovichi District administration and Balvi municipality on cooperation in the areas of economics, trade, culture and social policy is signed



**Development of the Centres for Culture and** Creative Industries in Räpina, Viļaka and Pechory

Project in key words

To utilise the potential of the the border region of Räpina, Pechory and Vilaka for its cultural, economic and social development, supporting the expansion of local infrastructure and preservation of the historical heritage

Partners (lead partner first)

Räpina Municipality Government (Estonia) Administration of Pechory District (Russia) Municipal Culture Institution "Culture Centre of the Pechory District" (Russia) Vilaka Municipal Council (Latvia)

Total budget spent

2 191 509 EUR



















- 3 historical buildings are restored by partner municipalities in Räpina (Estonia), in Pechory (Pskov Region, Russia) and in Vilaka (Latvia)
- 3 Culture Centres are developed and equipped in partner municipalities:
  - Räpina a set of furniture,
     7 handlooms, a clay workshop,
     kitchen and brewery equipment

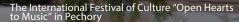


- 3 master-classes for about 100 participants and
   2 conferences for more than 200 participants are held
- Regions are widely promoted due to active preservation of historical heritage, maintenance of know-how and local traditional skills, and joint culture events
- Strengthened co-operation on the preservation of cultural and historical heritage and exchange between different culture spheres of the participating region network is fostered in the field of culture and creative industries



- Pechory 247 chairs for a concert hall and 2 sets of office equipment
- Viļaka a set of furniture, kitchen and office equipment
- After reconstruction these centres are also accessible for disadvantaged people and give positive influence on equal opportunities



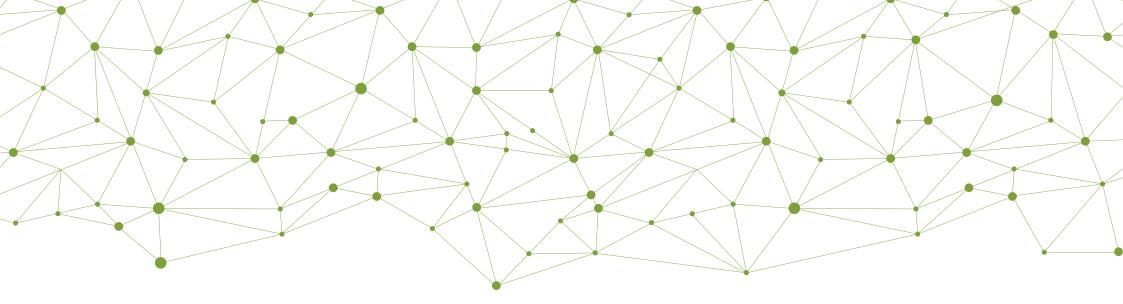




The opening of the Culture Centre in Pechory, Russia, August 2014



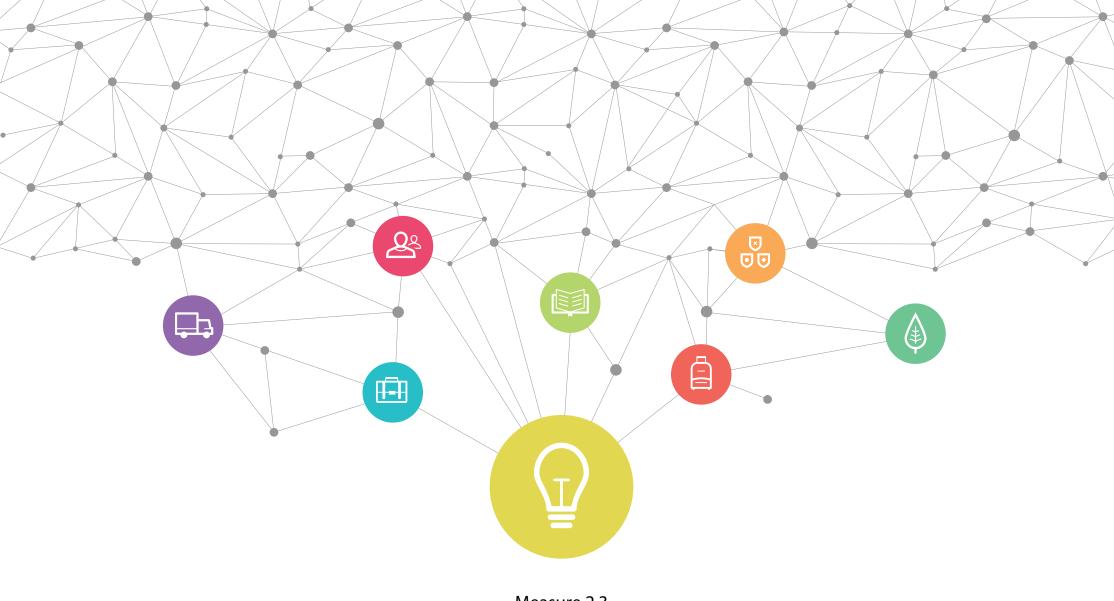
- 33 folk costumes for amateur folklore ensembles are purchased (Pechory)
- 15 ethnological expeditions with 12 volunteers are organised in Pechory District, the findings are published in booklets in Russian and English
- The International Festival of Culture "Open Hearts to Music" in Pechory for singers, dancers and musicians, and art exhibitions in 3 partner municipalities are organised
- Raised awareness of local communities and young people in project regions about local historical heritage and cultural traditions
- Thematic materials about the local historical and cultural heritage are widely available for the local and regional audience











Measure 2.3

Improvement of energy efficiency and promotion of renewable energy sources

# ARIEE

### Awareness Raising and Investments in Energy Efficiency: Jőhvi and Kingisepp

Project in key words

Contribution to the achievement of higher energy-efficiency in two neighbouring regions: Jõhvi and the whole county of Ida-Virumaa (Estonia) and the district of Kingisepp (Russia)

Partners (lead partner first)



Jõhvi Municipality Government (Estonia) Administration of Municipal Formation "Kingisepp Municipal District" (Russia)

Budget (total awarded)



981 529 EUR























- Two kindergarten buildings in Jõhvi Municipality (Estonia) and Kingisepp (Leningrad region, Russia) are reconstructed using contemporary energy saving solutions
- Measured energy consumption reduction in both kindergarten buildings in Jöhvi Municipality (Estonia) and Kingisepp (Leningrad region, Russia). In Kingisepp kindergarten heat and energy consumption is reduced by 47.8 % and 39.9 %, in Jöhvi kindergarten heat consumption is reduced by 63.4 %
- Energy lesson methodology for kindergarten children is developed, a workbook and methodical material for kindergarten teachers are composed, translated and printed
- 3 Energy days for children in Jöhvi and Kingisepp, a drawing competition "Energy saving by children's eyes" and lessons for children are held
- An information seminar, study-trip to Sweden and 2 conferences for employees of public sector institutions dedicated to the energy effectiveness took place







- Project ARIEE won the first prize in the First State Contest (Russia) of projects in the energy effectiveness field, determined on the basis of Internet voting, as an educational project for children presented by the Kingisepp municipal administration
- More than 40 000 local people are informed about energy effectiveness measures and energy consumption reduction
- The educational process in both kindergartens is developed, and people's awareness of energy saving since young ages has risen
- Energy efficiency solutions are promoted for local communities, local municipalities and regional authorities





# Green public houses

### **Development and Promotion of Using Green Energy and Energy Saving Principles in Public** Houses



Development and promotion of the use of green energy and energy saving principles in public houses by effective and sustainable use of energy resources, significantly improved energy savings and development of alternative and renewable energy sources

partner first)



Misso Rural Municipality Government (Estonia) Administration of the "Strugi-Krasniye area" of Pskov Region



379 577 EUR





























- Misso municipal centre (Vôru County, Estonia) and two municipal buildings in Strugi-Krasnye village (Pskov region, Russia) are renovated to energy-efficient houses
- In Strugi-Krasnye village ground source heating is established, the heat exchanger is renovated, new energy efficient windows and doors are installed in 2 municipal buildings
- In Misso municipal centre complex renovation works are implemented
- Quantitative indicators are achieved: thermal energy consumption savings by heated area – approximately by 75 %; savings on heating expenses – about 11 000.00 EUR per year (70 %) in Misso and 20 000.00 EUR per year (55 %) in Strugi-Krasnye

- Using of green energy and renewable energy sources, improvement of energy efficiency and energy saving principles are promoted in the region, about 15 000 local inhabitants and all local governments in the region are informed
- Promotional tools on the main principles of energy-effective buildings, environmental impacts and sustainability of houses are produced in electronic form based on the example of the renovated municipal objects







- 4 study trips, 2 final seminars are organised
- Thematic materials about the main principles of energyeffective building, environmental impacts and sustainability of houses are widely available for the local and regional audience



### Sun and Wind: Universal Renewables for Local Sustainability



Promotion of an effective and sustainable use of local renewable energy resources and diversification of used sources of energy through implementation of pilot projects, joint research, planning, and exchange of experience in the target regions of Estonia and Northwest Russia

Partners (lead partner first)



Tartu Regional Energy Agency (Estonia) Rõuge Municipality (Estonia) ANO SKC "PskovRegionInfo" (Russia) Meremäe Municipality (Estonia) Pytalovo Municipality (Russia) Gdov Municipality (Russia)

Bezhanitsky District (Russia) Strugokrasnensky District (Russia)

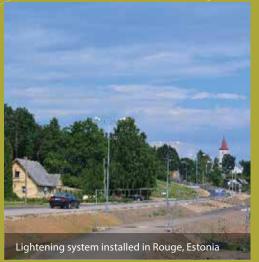
Budget (total awarded)



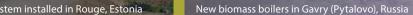
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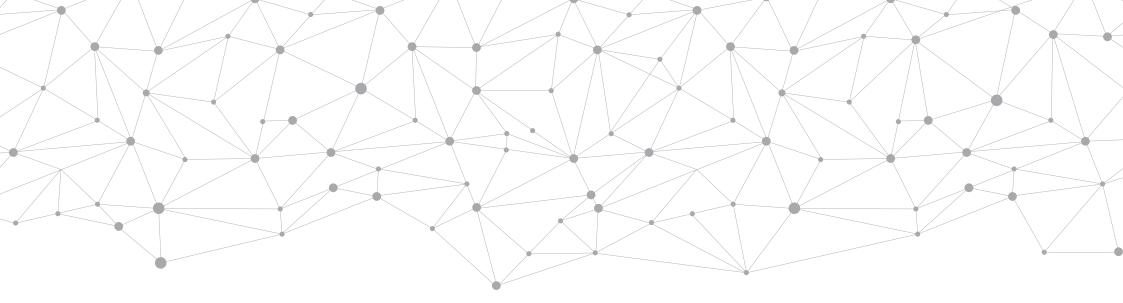
- Increased energy efficiency and environnmental sustainability of the target municipalities of South Estonia and Pskov Region (Russia)
- Local heating and electricity supply systems are modernised in 5 public buildings in Estonia and Pskov Region, Russia
- Obinitsa village center and Rõuge municipality house energy systems were renoveted with ground heat pumps that are integrated with solar photovoltaic (PV) panels
- Reduction of municipal power consumption in South Estonia and Pskov region (Russia) settlements up to 50 %
- The heating system installed in Obinitsa village centre will cover 90 % of the building energy needs in the future, which means massive savings in running costs by switching from fossil to renewable energy
- Street lighting systems are installed in Rõuge (Estonia) and in Tyamsha (Russia) therefore increasing safety of local inhabitants
- Trainings and capacity building seminars for energy experts and municipality employees are organised. Networking of energy experts and local authorities and public representatives is established
- The Secondary school in Boroussy village, Russia is equipped with solar panels, which provide hot water for the school







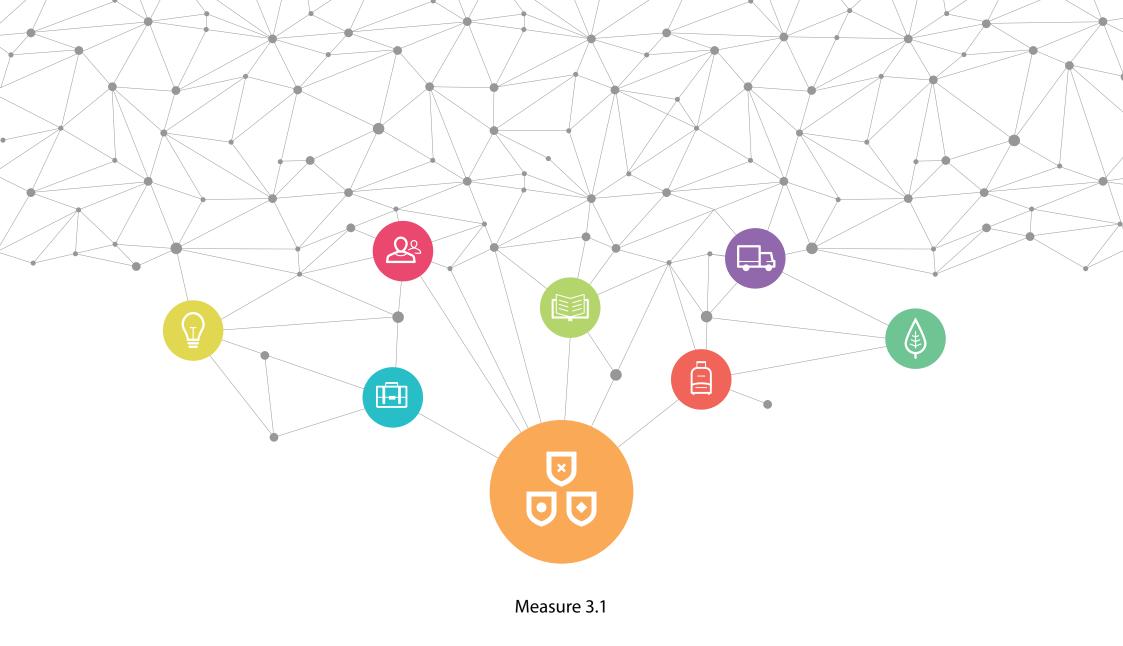
- 1 Energy Class is modernised in Rõuge School by installing the smart board and purchasing new equipment for energy measuring. Also the weekly energeticsrobotics hobby group was regularly attended by students in Rõuge
- Energy day on Energy Saving Technologies and Renewable Energy Systems (RES) with participation of Russian and Estonian students was held
- A number of showcases of using solar and wind power, biofuel and ground heat as possible energy resources were demonstrared
- To estimate the potential of local renewable usage in Pskov Oblast, a research on RES availability and utilisation was made. Based on the results of the research, specific technical, organisational and financial recommendations on local RES utilisation were developed for the following municipalities – Strugy Krasnye, Bezhanitsy, Pskov, Zalit Island
- Project activities have positively influenced the professional level of the local municipal officials and energy experts in the field of local RES utilisation
- Knowledge generated within the project has been transferred to the relevant experts and public sector. It has also prepared a ground for discussion on possible usage of RES for small municipalities in Russian and Estonian cross-border areas
- Increase of knowledge and awareness of local authorities and the community, especially youth on alternative renewable energy utilisation methods and their efficiency



### **PRIORITY III**

### Promotion of people to people cooperation

The Priority focuses on small scale activities for improving the cooperation of the border region supporting a wide range of activities to be performed by regional and local municipalities and various actors of the society, which have been identified as being of crucial importance to a more integrated region



Development of local initiatives, increasing administrative capacities of local and regional authorities



### **Increasing Capacity of LAs in Providing E-services** in Ida-Virumaa-Leningrad Oblast CB Areas



Increase of administrative capacity and e-readiness of local and regional authorities in providing socially significant public e-services through cooperation and implementation of e-government solutions in cross-border regions



e-Governance Academy Foundation (Estonia) St. Petersburg National Research University of Information

Mechanics and Optics, eGovernment Center (Russia) International Association "e-Signature Without Borders"

Narva BAS Foundation (Estonia) Kingisepp Region Municipality (Russia) Slantsy Region Municipality (Russia) Narva Municipality (Estonia)

Rezekne Higher Education Institution (RHEI) (Estonia) Nonprofit Partnership "e-Development Partnership in the North-West of Russia" (PRIOR NW) (Russia) Certification Centre Ltd. (Estonia) Committee for Telecommunications and Informatisation of the Leningrad Region (Russia)

Budget (total awarded)



181 752 EUR













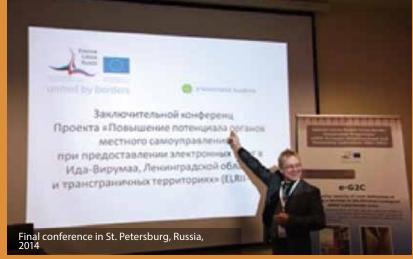






- Two most frequently requested services in municipal archives – queries about the working records and burials – are provided by cross-border archives in Narva (Estonia), Kingisepp and Slantsy (Russia)
- All 15 archivists in 2 involved archives in Kingisepp and Slantsy (Russia) are supplied with personalised ID-cards and a special soft environment as a pilot in cooperation with the Estonian Certification Center
- Specific equipment sets to digitise archive material and exchange relevant documents are digitally provided in the 3 involved archives
- A step-by-step handbook both for archivists and general public is produced on how to provide and receive e-services
- Forms to fill in are available on archive web-pages for the public to make an archive query online – a person can sign the query digitally and send it to the archive for processing
- 2 conferences, 2 seminars and joint training for target municipalities are organised









- Strong partnership created during the project provides a good basis for sustainable development towards better E-government
- Mutual agreements in common procedures between the involved cross-border archives in Narva (Estonia), Kingisepp and Slantsy (Russia) are established
- More than 300 000 people from the programme area and beyond are informed on the project results and solutions
- Three involved municipalities are interested in implementing the new services into everyday routine and the need for additional e-services has increased
- Involved archives are equipped with relevant equipment and guiding documents to start using e-services



## **LSG Development**

### **Supporting the Local Self-Government Development to Improve the Quality of Life in** Rural Areas

Project in key words



Increasing involvement of rural communities in the regional development processes through stimulation of social development in rural areas

Partners (lead partner first)



Association "Council of Municipalities of the Leningrad Region"

Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments (Latvia)

Municipality of Shugozerskoe Rural Settlement of Tihvin Municipal District (Russia) Gulbene Municipality (Latvia)

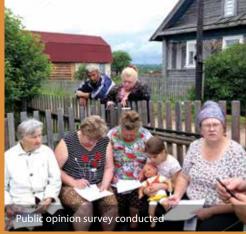


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- A model of the rural elders system is developed
- 4 public opinion surveys are conducted, more than 500 inhabitants are involved in 2 pilot municipalities – Shugozero (Leningrad Region, Russia) and Gulbene (Latvia)
- 2 Educational programs for rural elders in Shugozero and specialists in Gulbene municipalities are elaborated





- Communication and Emergency alerting systems are provided for rural elders in 35 villages of Shugozero settlement. This system is taken as a model for the whole Leningrad Region
- 9 training modules for over 70 participants, 1 Study tour to Latvia, Local selfgovernment Forum and Final Conference for above 200 participants are held
- Project trainings addressing rural tourism, farming, consumer cooperatives, etc. stimulated personal involvement of the local population in LSG development processes



Handbook for rural elders

- Cooperation Agreements are signed between 8 Latvian and 8 Russian municipalities to continue cooperation in the fields of culture, sport, energy saving, fishery and many others
- Project deliverables are disseminated to most Russian regions and Latvian municipalities
- A professional network in the sphere of LSG development is developed in Russia and Latvia involving regional and national organisations and expert communities
- A new Action plan on future cooperation is signed between the association "Council of Municipalities of Leningrad Region" and "Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments"
- Project results were presented to the Presidium of All-Russia Congress of municipalities and 25th Congress of Latvian local authorities
- The alerting system on emergencies installed in Shugozero municipality is taken as a model for the whole Leningrad Region

# **MEDINF**

### Improving Availability of Medical Information and Counselling





Increasing the availability of medical counseling services via telephone, internet and other means by using ICT solutions (an algorithm-based counseling software and Counseling Centre) in the border areas of Estonia and Russia

partner first)



Estonian Advice Centres (North-East Estonia) Kohtla-Järve Town Government (Estonia) St. Petersburg State University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics (Russia) Medical Centre "Healthy World" (Russia) Municipal Institution of Health Care: Station of Emergency Service (Russia)

Committee of Health Care, St. Petersburg City Government

Committee of Health Care and Pharmacy, Administration of Pskov Oblast (Russia)



271 681 EUR













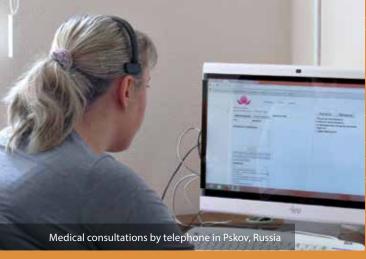












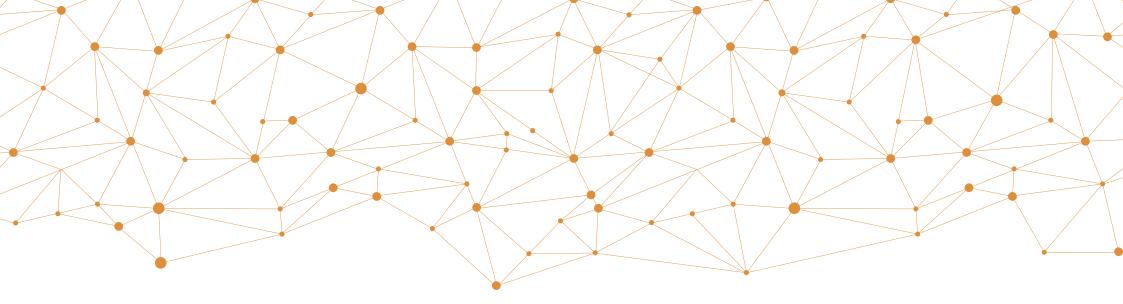


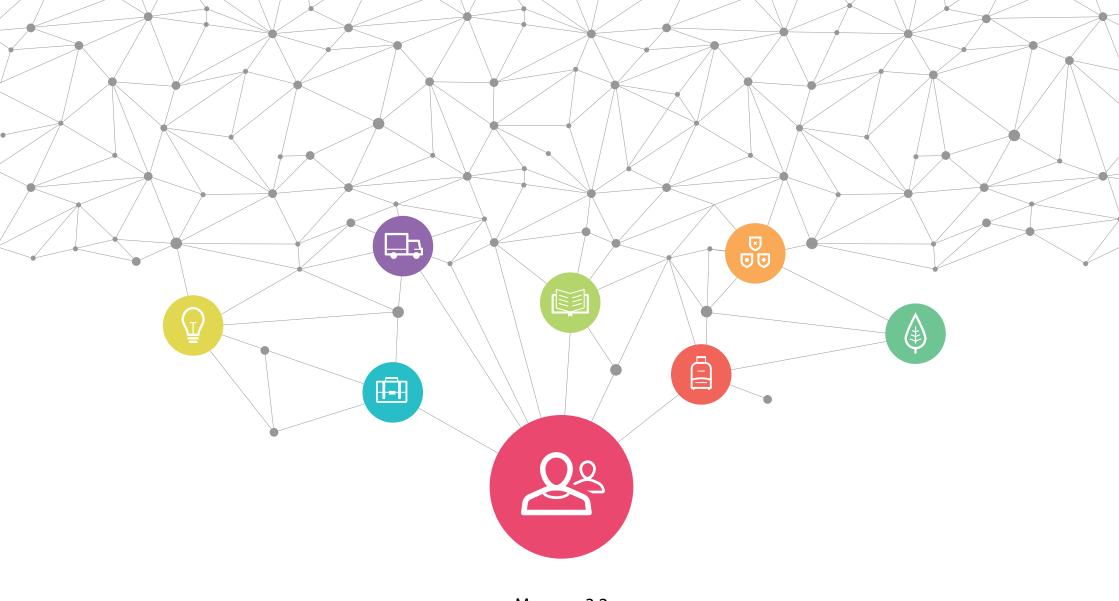
- Analysis of existing forms of medical counselling and concept to identify the needs for the improvement of existing forms of medical counselling via the Internet and other means are elaborated
- Improved medical consultation options via the Internet, telephone or other means of communication technology solutions
- Counselling services are provided online, and they are connected to the medical authorities
- 2 Counselling Centres in Russia are established and equipped: in Pskov and in Kolpino, St. Petersburg
- 10 work places in Counselling Centres in Russia are established
- The existing Counselling Centre in Estonia is ready for work via the Internet
- 20 Russian advisors passed the developed 80-hour training course in two modules,
   5 Estonian advisors passed 8-hour training about new counseling forms



- In total 422 medical consultations in St. Petersburg and 970 medical consultations in Pskov are made by telephone in Counselling Centres
- To promote medical counselling services in border cities, a number of information seminars and conferences were organised, articles, leaflets and radio broadcasts were produced
- Increased awareness of local communities about medical consultation opportunities and Counselling Centres in the border cities of Russia and Estonia
- People are consulted and receive necessary information or guidelines for medical problems via the Internet and other means
- Reduction of medical expenses and working time at family doctor and general practitioner levels







Measure 3.2

Cooperation in spheres of culture, sport, education, social and health

## Be good at sports

### Be Good at Sport through Three Countries

**Project in key** words

Encouraging cooperation between Valka (Latvia), Valga (Estonia) and Novodevyatkino (Russia) municipal volleyball, football and floor-ball teams, improvement of the resource basis, acquisition and distribution of best training practices

Partners (lead partner first)

Valga Town Government (Estonia) Valka Municipality Council (Latvia) Municipality "Novoedevyatkinskoe selskoe poselenie" (Russia)

**Total budget** spent

202 819 EUR

**Duration** 





























Sport awards and trophies for winners

- 167 young sportsmen are equipped with uniforms for future games and equipment for playing
- Various brochures and articles are published in the local newspapers, as well as radio and TV interviews are delivered. Promotional materials about sport competitions and joint activities are widely available for the local and regional audience





- 6 international competitions in football, floorball and volleyball are organised in Novoe Devyatkino (Leningrad Region), Valga (Estonia) and Valka (Latvia)
- Equipment for playing floorball, football and volleyball provided to partner sport organisations are procured:
  - 3 floorball rinks (40 m x 20 m). 8 goals, 49 uniforms, 4 goalkeeper equipment kits, 120 sticks, 2681 balls, and 17 bags
  - 6 football goals and nets, 5 training equipment kits, 62 uniforms and boots. 180 balls
  - 15 volleyball nets and posts for 6 courts, 2 volleyball kits, a gymnastic mat, 50 uniforms, 90 balls
- 500 T-shirts, 150 medals and 9 trophies are awarded to winners and participants of the sport competitions
- 1 training seminar, 2 conferences and social events are arranged

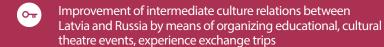


- Municipality partnership is widely promoted due to close cross-border cooperation and joint events
- A concept and actions developing the movement "Men to move" is presented to the wider audience
- An international network involving 3 municipalities, 3 sport centres and 6 sport clubs is developed
- A healthy and active lifestyle is promoted for local youth

# **Border light**

### **Border Light**





Partners (lead partner first)



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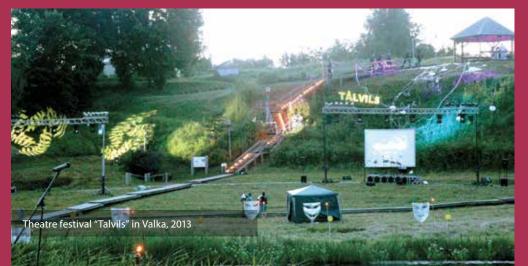
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**Duration** 























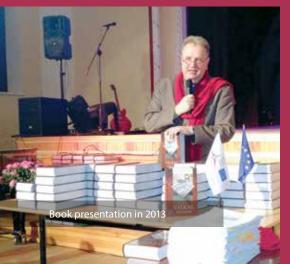




- Two 5-day festivals of amateur theatres "Avant-guard and traditions" in Gatchina and "Talvils" in Valka are organised. 274 participants are involved in these theatre festivals
- Two plays of Russian dramatists are staged and performed in both partner cities in theatre festivals
- Sound and light equipment for Gatchina theatre hall "Round the corner" and Valka Culture House is purchased
- 6 master classes and seminars in Valka and Gatchina to promote new approaches and views to amateur theatre actors and directors
- 190 amateur theatre actors and directors from Valka and Gatchina gained new professional skills
- 4 exchange of experience visits for 10 students and 13 pedagogues from Valka and Gatchina art schools



- Trained pedagogues continue teaching other art school students by applying new approaches and skills
- A Book on the amateur theatre in 1400 copies was produced, as well as a number of other brochures, press releases and information manterials. Advertisement and thematic materials about culture, history and theatre festivals are widely available for the local and regional audience
- Improved artistry of Valka and Gatchina amateur theatre actors
- Raised awareness of local administrations, specialists and inhabitants in project countries about cultural links between parties in Latvia and Russia
- New contacts are found and a new cooperation network between Valka Art school and Gatchina art school teachers and students is established, including experience exchange visits in the future, joint workshops, exhibitions
- Promotion of regions through cultural cooperation and joint events







### **Cross Border Athletics**

Project in key words

Encouraging children and young people in sport activities, particularly in athletics, using cross-border cooperation between Latvia and Russia as a healthy sport competition and active lifestyle promoter

Partners (lead partner first)

Smiltene Region Council (Latvia) Porhov District Administration (Russia)

**Total budget** spent

204 681 EUR

Duration



















- The athlete training environment has improved in Smiltene (Latvia) and Porhov (Russia) sports stadiums:
  - 1 sports stadium is reconstructed in Smiltene (Latvia) and a new surface of 5575 m² of the run track is laid
  - 1 sports stadium is reconstructed in Porhov (Russia) and a new surface of 2550 m² of the run track is laid
- Sports equipment is purchased for Smiltene stadium – 8 starting blocks and 10 barriers for each running track
- 2 two-day international athletic competitions are organised in Smiltene and Porhov involving more than 120 young athletes, children from Latvia, Russia and Estonia











A mutual visit of professional athletes and coaches in Porhov, Russia in 2014

- 2 mutual visits of professional athletes and coaches from Latvia and Russia are organised in Smiltene and Porhov areas
- Capacity has increased and quality has improved for sports competitions organized in Smiltene and Porhov sports stadiums
- Awareness of youngsters about a healthy and active lifestyle has increased through attractive sports events and international cooperation
- The number of children involved in athletics in Smiltene and Porhov has increased by 20 %
- Sportive results of young athletes have improved
- The competence and motivation of coaches is raised through the exchange of expertise with foreign partners
- Constructive cooperation contacts are established between local sports schools for children and youngsters in municipalities of Smiltene and Porhov



### **Cross Countries through Football**

Project in key words

Strengthening the local sports clubs on Estonian and Russian border sides and promoting young people's and children's active and healthy life styles through football

Partners (lead partner first)

Estonian Football Association (Estonia) FC Narva Trans (Estonia) Administration of Pechory District, Children's Sport School (Russia)

**Total budget** spent

291 272 EUR

**Duration** 























- Improvements to football infrastracture in Narva and Pechory are implemented
- A new artificial football turf is installed in the Narva Kalevi stadium (8214 m²)
- The grass pitch in Pechory stadium is replaced with a new natural football lawn (6800 m²)
- Additional minor equipment is purchased for Pechory stadium, including 2 new football gates, 200 plastic chairs, 1 set of an electronic table for different sporting games and 1 set of equipment for the maintenance of the stadium
- Narva stadium is ready for use in accordance with the international football standards – more than 165 children in all football clubs of Narva have modern and safe training conditions
- 347 games are held during two seasons (8642 participants). The games were held at various stadiums in Estonia and in Russia

- Series of football matches (both summer and winter) to popularise sports activities, healthy lifestyles and meaningful activities of children's leisure time
- Specially designed training/ seminar for Pechory trainers is organised in Pechory





- An educational brochure is prepared and printed in Estonian and Russian. The concept of the brochure evolved and now it also serves as a practical handbook for trainers on how to perform football trainings
- Training of football trainers, referees and other staff of the Russian side to teach them professional football management and exchange know-how expierence
- More than 65 000 inhabitants of Narva benefits from modern facilities for sports and other cultural activities
- More than 13 000 inhabitants in Pechory have received new facilities for different sports and culture
- Awareness of inhabitants of Pechory and Narva is raised about European cross border programmes. Special attention is reached by celebration of European Cooperation Day in Pechory
- Contribution to strengthening local sports clubs on both sides of the border through experience and know-how received from participation in this project

## **CROSSBO ACTIVE**

### Promotion of a Healthy Life-Style Organizing Sport Events in Latgale and Pskov Regions

**Project in key** words



Popularizing active recreation and a healthy lifestyle with sports without obstacles of language, culture and borders

Partners (lead partner first)



Latgale Region Development Agency (Latvia)
Pskov State Educational Institution "Children and Youth Centre Sports Training" (Russia)

Associate:

State Committee of Pskov Region on Youth Policy and Sports (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



303 099 EUR

**Duration** 



















- 17 sports tournaments in volleyball, footsal, ice-hockey, handball, football, basketball and streetball are organised
- 1 final sports show with the participation of 2 sports teams from partner municipalities is organised
- The total amount of more than 2000 people participated in 17 sports tournaments. People are personally involved and awareness about a healthy lifestyle for sportsmen, the young and grownups is raised
- Integration into common social activities for socially excluded community groups – youth at risk for drug, alcohol and tobacco addiction, youth from marginalized or low income families is fostered
- A cooperation network between Latgale and Pskov Region in sports is created and strengthened during the project life time









A footsal tournament in Pechki, Pechorsky district, Russia, 2013

- A brochure about the project and sports possibilities in the region is prepared, printed and distributed in municipalities, sports institutions. Additional promotion items like towels and caps were produced and distributed during sports events
- ~45 000 people are informed about the project through disseminated materials, website, tournaments
- ~500 people are informed about the possibilities of cross-border cooperation and opportunities of the CBC Programme



## **Culture arts**

### **Cooperation in Theatre and Music Arts Development**

**Project in key** words

Promotion of the attractiveness of Latvia and Russia for inhabitants and businesses by means of cooperation in music and theatre arts between Limbazi, Salacgriva and Volhov

Partners (lead partner first)



Limbazi Municipality (Latvia) Salacgriva Municipality Council (Latvia) Administration of the Municipal Formation of the Town Volhov of the Volhov Municipal Area (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



235 916 EUR

**Duration** 































- 6 theatre and music festivals are organised – 3 in Russia (Volhov),
   3 in Latvia (Limbazi, Salacgriva)
- 10 theatre performances are produced and performed at 13 festivals in Latvia and at 10 festivals in Russia
- Several music programmes are prepared and presented at 9 concerts organised in Latvia and Russia (jazz, national and pop music)
- Numerous classes for actors are arranged (stage art, speech, improvisation, make-up etc.)
- Several classes for musicians are organised (voice development, brass, accordion, etc.)
- 19 sets of theatre costumes are purchased for amateur theatres. Inventory and musical instruments are purchased for music schools
- 1 DVD reflecting a festival is produced
- Renovation works of Volhov Theatre are conducted
- A cooperation network between 16 theatre and music collectives from Latvia and Russia is established
- The Cooperation Agreement is concluded between Limbaži Municipality (Latvia) and Administration of the municipality formation of the town Volhov of the Volhov municipal area (Russia)



- A cooperation network between Latvian and Russian music and theatre collectives is established bridging about 200 amateur artists
- About 300 local musicians and actors of amateur theatres from 18 collectives acquired new skills and increased knowledge through different classes and events led by professionals
- The quality of culture life in Limbazi, Salacgriva (Latvia) and Volhov (Russia) local municipalities considerably improved through increased competence of local amateur theatres, music groups and purchased inventory
- The project region is promoted through active and diverse culture undertakings and therefore encouraged the development of local businesses
- Purchased equipment and musical instruments have improved the capability of music groups of all partners

## **EDU** no borders

#### Cooperation for Quality Education for Children at **Social Risk**

**Project in key** words

Improvement of the quality of education for children at social risk through cross-border cooperation of educators, parents and local municipalities

Partners (lead partner first)



Poltsamaa Co-educational Gymnasium (Estonia) Pskov Pedagogical Complex (Russia)

Pskov SOS Children Village (Russia)

Valmiera 5th Secondary School (Latvia)

SOS Children Village Latvia, Valmiera SOS Children Village

SOS Children Village Estonia, Poltsmaa SOS Children Village (Estonia)

Tartu Annelinna Gymnasium (Estonia)

Associate:

Põltsamaa Town Government (Estonia) State Department of Education of Pskov Region (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



229 323 EUR

**Duration** 

























- 1 guidebook about good practices and experiences that were gained in crossborder cooperation is issued in four languages (Estonian, Latvian, Russian and English)
- 1 conference is targetted to specialists working with orphans and children at social risk is organised in Pskov, Russia
- 1 final conference with the participation of representatives from Estonia, Latvia and Russia is organised in Tartu, Estonia on actual educational issues

- 17 joint culture events are implemented in Estonia, Latvia and Russia
- 25 cross-border activities for students are organised (workshops, seminars, meetings, excursions, concerts)
- 46 seminars and trainings for teachers, specialists, parents, students are arranged
- 4 educational cross-border visits between schools with the participation of students, teachers, specialists are organised
- 1967 hours of lessons by special educators for children with special educational needs are conducted
- Methodological materials, literature, educational materials, study tools, IT equipment for schools are purchased. Pedagogical materials and methods developed within the project are shared with other educational institutions and communities in the cross-border area





- Qualitative and inclusive educational systems are improved in 4 schools of border regions in Estonia, Latvia and Russia involving about 700 students
- Over 160 teachers and specialists acquired new knowledge and skills in working with children at social risk and realised their competence while working with students with special educational needs
- About 200 students got better knowledge on how to prevent and solve the problems in their everyday lives
- Over 100 parents have improved knowledge about the principles of raising and supporting children, networking with teachers and child protection specialists
- Over 2400 students benefit from a diversified learning process in the border areas
- Improved quality of life of children at social risk in Estonia, Latvia and Russia
- Best experience, practices, ideas are shared with colleagues and the wider audience in the border area of Estonia, Latvia and Russia via a guide book

### **FORGET A HURRY**

**Shaping of Latvia-Russia Border Municipalities** into a United Cultural Information Place and Cooperation Network by Means of Literary, Artistic and Creative Potential

Project in key words

Development of a united cultural information environment and collaboration network for the people with literary, artistic and creative potential in Vilani, Karsava and Shlisselburg in order to achieve stronger cooperation between Latvian and Russian border municipalities

Partners (lead partner first)



Vilani Local Municipality (Latvia) Karsava Local Municipality (Latvia) Administration of Municipal Formation Shlisselburg Town (Russia)

Associates:

Jana Rozentala Riga Art School (Latvia) The Municipal Budgetary Educational Institution of Supplementary Education of Children (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



198 843 EUR

**Duration** 























- Improved infrastructure and modernised conditions for literates and artists, local inhabitants has enlivened cultural life in Shlisselburg (Russia), Vilani, Karsava (Latvia)
- 6 library rooms are renovated and the entrance of the library is accustomised for people with special needs, wheelchairs in Shlisselburg (Russia)
- An open-air stage for 700 persons is built in Karsava (Latvia)
- An open-air reading place a stage (for 50 persons) with a lighting installation is constructed near the library in Vilani (Latvia)
- 6 local and 3 international Literate-Artist meetings are organised in Karsava, Vilani and Shlisselburg with more than 350 participants
- An international teleconference for local writers, artists and musicians is organised in Vilani, Karsava and Shlissleburg with 93 participants
- Modern multimedia equipment and technical devices are purchased for high-quality electronic communication in Vilani, Karsava and Shlisselburg
- The number of people visiting Shlisselburg library increased by 30 % in a year due to renovation of rooms, access created for disabled people, and a diverse culture programme



- The Media Library as a virtual branch of the Russian Museum is established, where more than 300 movies about art is available
- A 5-day international summer camp "Art without Borders" is organised in Karsava
- The best poems and artwork from 3 international competitions are chosen and published in a book "Forget a Hurry"







- Internationally popularised poetry, prose and artwork of writers, artists of the border region of Latvia and Russia
- Strenghtened potential and amplified creative capacity of local literate and artist groups in the border area of Latvia and Russia



#### **Development of Hereditary Cancer Prevention Measures in Pskov Region**

Project in key words

Improvement of life quality in Russia and Latvia by developing an effective population-based hereditary cancer screening and management system model and by combating hereditary cancer in border regions

Partners (lead partner first)

Riga Stradins University (Riga, Latvia) Pskov Onkological Dispensary (Pskov, Russia)

**Total budget** spent

228 448 EUR

**Duration** 























- The newly established HC centre in Pskov (including the clinical part for providing consultations, preventive measures and treatment and molecular laboratory for carrying out diagnostic tests) is open to the HC patients and is functioning: analyses are made and consultations are provided on a regular basis
- 4 specialists of Pskov Oncological Dispensary (POD) participated in the experience exchange visits at the Hereditary Cancer Institute of Riga Stradins University
- 100 medics in Pskov region have a better understanding of HC and its management methods
- Trainings of the Head of molecular laboratory of Pskov HC in Riga Stradins University are carried out
- The HC database is established after all the project data assembly
- Methodology for HC treatment in Pskov region is being used by POD employees to further develop HCa management in the region

 1000 Family cancer history surveys are given in Russia; 1000 blood samples are taken in Russia; 1000 DNA isolations for HC patients and their relatives are carried out (500 in Russia, 500 in Latvia); 1250 BRCA1 gene 3 most common mutation investigations are carried out (500 in Russia, 750 in Latvia); 10 BRCA1 gene and 2 full MLH, MSH2, MSH6 gene investigations are carried out in Latvia





- 1 educated specialist of Pskov Oncological Dispensary is using the Hereditary Cancer database in everyday work
- 1 knowledge transfer visit of Latvian experts in Pskov
- Pskov inhabitants are selected in the HC risk group after population screening and laboratory testing
- 32 joint consultations of Latvian and Russian specialists for HC patients in Pskov
- Broshures on hereditary cancer for doctors and patients are published
- 2 000 doctor and other medical personnel (including family doctors) knowledge on HC issues in Pskov region is improved
- Methodology for HC treatment in Pskov region is developed during the project
- General public awareness raised (~20 000 people in Russia and 20 000 people in Latvia) about hereditary cancer as a manageable and curable disease

## **Helping to Live**

#### Reduction of Social Consequences of HIV Spread in Estonia and Leningradskaya Oblast of Russia

Project in key words

Development of a socio-psychological support system for people living with HIV/AIDS in the border territories of Estonia and Leningradskaya oblast. Contribution toward reduction of social and economic consequences of HIV/AIDS

Partners (lead partner first)



Social Support and Public Health Foundation "POSITIVE WAVE" (St. Petersburg, Russia)

ESPO Society (North-East Estonia)

LIGO NGO Association of Women Against HIV/AIDS (North-East Estonia)

NGO Evrika (Estonia)

Associates:

Leningrad Regional AIDS Center (Russia)

Total budget spent



228 448 EUR

**Duration** 





















- Over 1200 clients received psychological counselling and other services in Leningrad Region (Russia) and North-East Estonia
- A model of social services to people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWA) on municipal territory is developed and 2 Centres are established
- Over 500 clients managed to resolve their social and other problems with psychological counselling support in Leningrad Region (Russia) and North-East Estonia
- A manual on the organisation of social work with PLWA is elaborated and distributed to 200 institutions and 1000 specialists
- 9 staff trainings, 2 seminars and 2 educational trips for social workers to partner countries, 4 seminars, 6 meetings and 3 roundtables for municipal management are conducted





- Joint measures are developed for reduction of the HIV epidemic impact on economic and labour resources of the involved regions
- Centers of social-psychological support for people living with HIV provide services in Narva and Johvi (Estonia), in Leningrad region (Russia) similar centers will operate in 4 areas at the expense of the regional budget
- Improved socialization of the target group: over 50 clients found a job after training, over 500 clients resolved their social problems, and over 150 clients resolved their legal problems
- Over 140 representatives of the Russian and Estonian municipal authorities, social workers and decision-making specialists are trained on measures for reduction of HIV
- A partner network involving state and public organisation to ensure close cooperation of state social support institutions with municipal healthcare and public organizations (45 institutions involved) is organised

### **NATURE THERAPY**

#### Nature Therapy for the Improvement of Equal Living Standards in Latvia-Russia Border Areas

**Project in key** words

Development of a sustainable social environment and improvement of equal living standards using nature therapy as an innovative experiential approach in Latvia-Russia wider border area

Partners (lead partner first)



Latvian Office of Euroregion "Country of Lakes" (Latvia) Daugavpils City Social Department (Latvia) Dagda Local Municipality (Latvia) Livani Local Municipality (Latvia) Ilukste Local Municipality (Latvia) State Administration of Social Welfare of the Pskov Region (Russia)

Centre for Curative Pedagogy and Differential Learning (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



195 816 EUR

**Duration** 





























- 3 nature therapy training courses (animalassisted therapy, phytotherapy, hydrotherapy, etc.) for 18 social workers are organised in Daugavpils (Latvia) and Pskov (Russia)
- 2 international 7-day summer camps "Back to Nature" are organised for 64 children of large and one-parent families in Daugavpils and Pskov regions. Different nature therapy courses for each child: reittherapy, canistherapy, phytotherapy, sand therapy are provided by professionals
- 9 social sites became more accessible for local inhabitants, children with special needs and visitors:
  - Children House Shelter "Priedīte" (Latvia): modern sloping was constructed
  - Social Care Day Centre for persons with mental disabilities in Daugavpils (Latvia): a wheelchair ramp was constructed
  - 2 outdoor playgrounds for children with special needs in Dagda and Vecdome (Latvia)
  - Day center of Livani Social Department and Family Support Center in Ilukste (Latvia): the premises were reconstructed and equipped for social rehabilitation
  - Beljsko-Ustjensk children house in Porhovo and Bobrovsk children house in Pechory (Russia): rooms for the nature therapy training were reconstructed and equipped
  - Center for Curative Pedagogy and Differential Learning in Pskov (Russia): sensory garden for children with special needs was created
- 1 e-exhibition "You and Me Friends Forever" of drawings made by children and animals/ pets are created and distributed via 7 partner websites, YouTube, other mass media
- 56 press releases and articles are published in local media and local web sites; 2 informative



The International summer camp in Daugavpils

- e-leaflets "Touching nature" (in RUS and LAT); 2 educational photo-video materials on Nature therapy (in LAT and RUS)
- Theoretical and practical experience of 18 social workers from Latvia and Russia improved to use innovative methods of nature therapy in daily work with children
- Strengthened professional and personal networks between LV and RU social workers
- Children of large and one-parent families, children with special needs discovered nature accompanied by animals, gained new interests, received rehabilitation
- Raised awareness on nature therapy as a unique rehabilitation method was improved both for individuals (parents) and professionals
- Social environment accessibility for children with special needs and social risk groups is ensured
- Thematic digital materials about nature therapy methods are widely available for local and regional audience to raise awareness about the healing effects of nature – physical, psychological and social factors of positive effects on the human organism

## **Photo Youth**

Creating Access to the Art of Photography for Young People with Disabilities

Project in key words

Improving living standards and providing equal access to the additional education in the art of photography for young people with disabilities

Partners (lead partner first)



Education, Culture and Sports Department of Riga City Council (Latvia)

N. A. Rimsky-Korsakov Art College of Pskov District (Russia) Centre of complex social services for citizens "Vyborg" (Russia) Regional non-governmental organization "Petersburg Parents" (Russia)

Accociate:

Administration of the Municipality "Vyborg Region" of Leningrad District (Russia)

Total budget spent



257 682 EUR

Duration



















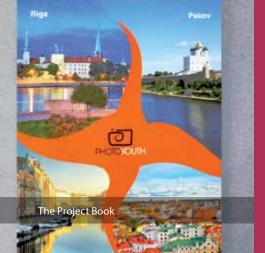








- 300 students from Riga, Vyborg and Pskov gained new professional skills in visual arts
- A new method of teaching of art of photography for young people with disabilities is elaborated, adopted and used. 60 teachers are educated and consulted on new methodology in seminars
- The Summer Photo Camp in Pskov for young people with different disabilities from Latvia and Russia is organised
- Computers, color printers and photo cameras are purchased and after professional consultations are used by youngsters
- A travelling photo exhibition is created and showed in prominent places in Riga, Vyborg, St. Petersburg, Pskov, and Open Days in Brussels (in total 12 exhibitions are organised)
- 300 copies of the Project Book and documentary DVDs are produced
- 15 institutions (special education institutions and orphanages) are involved. Through new skills on how to work and communicate in the e-environment further contacts between partners are ensured







- The e-environment is learned and used to exchange experience and photos, as well as for networking
- The profession of a photographer with the possibility to get further education in this direction is chosen by young disabled people. Enhanced possibilities to enter the labour market for young people with disabilities
- Project contributed in changing the general attitude by most social groups towards people with disabilities as capable of achievements in the art of photography
- Raised self-esteem of people with disabilities
- Programmes on hobby education in the art of photography are approved by schools equipped in the project. Teaching of other children with disabilities in the art of photography is continued by trained teachers
- School life is showed in photos in school magazines with the help of young reporters
- Participating regions are promoted through photography

## **SPEECH**

#### **Exchange of Cross-Border Experience to Enhance the Quality of Special Education**

Project in key words

Improving the quality of special education and speech therapy for the Russian-speaking children in Estonian and Russian pre-schools and secondary schools

Partners (lead partner first)

Integration and Migration Foundation "Our People" (Estonia) University of Tartu (Estonia) Herzen State Pedagogical University of Russia (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



158 810 EUR

**Duration** 



















- 2 theoretical seminars for speech therapists in Narva (Estonia) and 1 practical training in St. Petersburg (Russia)
- 55 speech therapists upgraded their qualification theoretically and practically
- 2 information seminars for the Project participants and stakeholders in Estonia and Russia
- 1 3-day study visit to Tartu for experience exchange
- A brochure "Education of Russianspeaking speech therapists in Estonia and Russia" with a collection of articles about special speech education is published
- Speech therapy curriculum in partner institutions is analyzed and an activity plan is worked out
- An increased number of speech therapists in Estonia and Russia are ready to give high quality assistance to children and grown-ups with speech problems



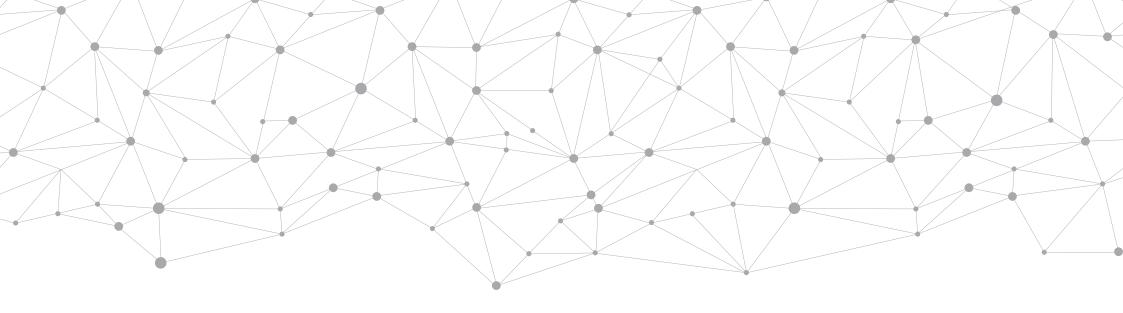




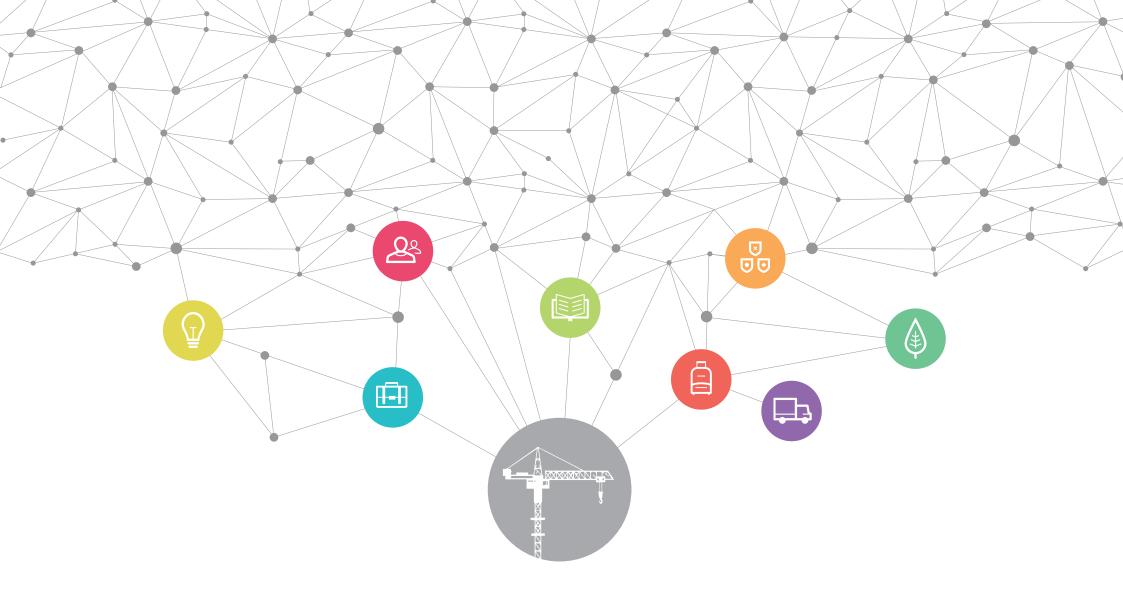


- Approximately 40 people get speech therapy and assistance every year by each of the trained specialists, in total 2200 people get better therapy results after the project implementation
- Increased average results of secondary and high school graduates in Estonian language exams
- The base for development of a new common curriculum in speech therapy for using both in Estonia and Russia is made. This makes high quality special education possible after the project lifetime, and further development of exchange study programs between partner educational institutions
- A cooperation network between Estonia and Russia in the field of special education is developed
- Speech specialists and students of both countries are informed about speech therapy best practices, new trends and project achievements through publications in specialised magazines, brochure, leaflets





# Large Scale projects are strategic investment projects contributing to socio-economic development of the whole cross-border area



**Large Scale Projects** 



### **Common Peipsi**

#### **Economically and Environmentally Sustainable** Lake Peipsi Area

**Project in key** 



Improvement of the environmental situation in the Lake Peipsi basin, fostering development of water-related tourism and entrepreneurship, thus contributing to the socio-economic development of settlements in the Peipsi Lake area

Partners (lead partner first)



Estonian Ministry of the Interior (Estonia) Tartu City Government (Estonia) Mustvee City Government (Estonia) Kallaste City Government (Estonia) Räpina Rural Municipality Government (Estonia) State Committee on Nature Management and Protection of the Environment of Pskov Region (Russia) Administration of Gdovsky Area (Russia) Administration of Pskovsky Area (Russia) Administration of Pechorsky Area (Russia)

State Budgetary Institution of Social Service "Pervomaysky Psychoneurologic Dispensary" (Russia)

Municipal enterprise of the Pskov City "Gorvodokanal" (Russia)

#### **Associates:**

Ministry of the Environment (Estonia) Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications (Estonia) Ltd. Põlva Water (Estonia) State Committee on Economic Development, Industry and Trade in Pskov Region (Russia)

**Total budget** (awarded)

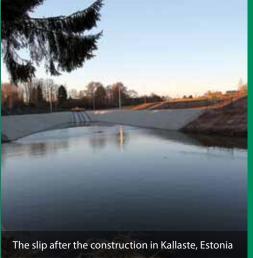


9 474 000 EUR

**Duration** 























#### In Estonia:

- 3 harbours are constructed in Estonia:
  - Tartu (10 252 m²)
  - Mustvee (47 000 m²)
  - Räpina (7744 m²)
- Established facilities for mooring of watercrafts, 104
   mooring places: 44 in Tartu, 40 in Mustvee, 20 in Räpina)
- Harbour pavilions are furnished, stationary and floating piers, roadways and pavements are built, carparks and storing areas for boats are organised
- Arranged reception of cargo residues and shipgenerated waste in 3 harbours
- 1 slip in Kallaste (Estonia) is constructed; the entry channel to the slip is cleaned from sediments
- Additional workplaces in harbours and the slip

#### In Russia:

- Wastewater treatment plants in Gdov town with a capacity of 530 m³/day, in Cheryokha village with a capacity of 1400 m³/day is reconstructed, and in Leschikhino with a capacity of 120 m³/day is constructed (Russia)
- In Pskov city (Russia) in the wastewater treatment plant 4 secondary sedimentation tanks with a diameter of 30 m are reconstructed, 2 decanters are repaired, sludge dampers and 1 decanter are replaced
- Reconstructed sewage network (970 m) from the hospital to the existing wastewater treatment plant and sewage pumping stations in Pechory (220 m) (Russia)





- Inspection including the inventory of the state of 72 objects – is centralised and local wastewater treatment plants and sewage pumping stations with discharges within the basin are carried out
- A database (GIS) on Lake Peipsi basin with the data on the conditions of the wastewater treatment plants, water and wastewater quality data, etc. and atlas consisting of 28 maps and 12 descriptions is prepared
- Recommendations for the long-term regional ecological programme "Pure water of the Pskov region 2012–2017" concerning improvement of the wastewater treatment system of the Lake Peipsi basin are prepared
- The total amount of pollutants discharged with the wastewater into the rivers of Gdovka,
   Pachkovka, Mnoga and Velikaya is decreased to the level of Russian standards for the main pollutants
- Ca 1.3 million people in Estonia and 670 000 people in Russia were informed about the project results via TV and radio broadcasts, issued information materials



## Narva-Ivangorod BCP

#### **Complex Reconstruction Border Crossing Points** in Ivangorod and in Narva

**Project in key** 



Infrastructure improvement and arrangement of border crossing points (BCPs) Narva-Ivangorod according to the international standards to synchronise their functioning; increase of the capacity of the road and pedestrian BCPs; contribution to the socio-economic development and development of border region competitiveness

Partners (lead partner first)



Estonian Ministry of the Interior (Estonia) Federal Agency for the Development of the State Border Facilities of the Russian Federation (Russia) "State Real Estate" Ltd. (Estonia) Direction for Construction and Maitenance of Facilities of Rosgranitsa (Russia) Municipal Fund "Ivangorod Centre for Sustainable

#### Associates:

Development" (Russia)

Police and Border Guard Board (Estonia) Narva City Government (Estonia) Estonian Tax and Customs Board (Estonia) Administration of the MF "City of Ivangorod" (Russia) Committee for Safety and Order of the Leningrad Region (Russia)

**Total budget** spent



8 098 730 EUR

**Duration** 



















#### In Estonia:

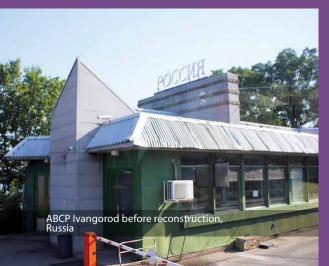
- Narva-1 Border Cross Point (BCP):
  - Reconstruction project for BCP Narva-1 is drawn up
  - Road pavement between the control area and bridge is reconstructed
  - A new bus, car and pedestrian terminal at Narva-1 BCP is constructed and equipped

#### In Russia:

- A construction project for the pedestrian terminal of auto border crossing point (ABCP) Ivangorod is developed
- A new building of the pedestrian terminal at ABCP Ivangorod is constructed. The pedestrian part of ABCP is reconstructed and fitted with new modern equipment
- A pedestrian gallery connecting ABCP and Narva-1 is reconstructed
- A new pedestrian terminal of pedestrian border crossing point (PBCP) Ivangorod is built and fitted with new modern equipment









Improved capacities of border crossing points sufficient for smooth and faster border crossing between Russia and Estonia

#### In Estonia:

- The number of border-crossing pedestrians' is increased by 6.9%
- The number of border-crossing by car is increased by 13.6%
- After the opening of a new terminal in July 2015 throughput capacity of Narva-1 BCP is increased by almost 2 times: 8 lines instead of 4 for pedestrians, 12 lines for cars and busses instead of 6
- Work conditions for Estonian officials and conditions for border-crossing of the general public are significantly improved

#### In Russia:

- ABCP Ivangorod throughput capacity is increased from 1152 individuals per day to 7000 individuals per day
- The build-up area is expanded from 344.38m<sup>2</sup> to 795.9m<sup>2</sup>
- PBCP Ivangorod throughput capacity is increased from 615 individuals per day to 3000 individuals per day
- The BCP building architectural area is expanded from 49.31m<sup>2</sup> to 448.4m<sup>2</sup>
- Working conditions for representatives of Russian state control authorities are significantly improved to make their work and service more effective
- The negative effect of existing border barriers is minimised
- Improved accessibility for people with special needs
- BCPs functioning is synchronised due to infrastructure improvement and arrangement according to the international requirements and standards
- Socio-economic development and development of border region competitiveness through improvement of accessibility of the region is ensured
- The cooperation and financial model is developed

## Narva-Ivangorod

#### Development of the Unique Narva-Ivangorod Fortresses Ensemble as a Single Cultural and **Tourist Object**

**Project in key** words



Increase of cross-border region competitiveness through the development of the unique Narva-Ivangorod trans-border fortresses ensemble

Partners (lead partner first)



Narva City Government, Department for City Development and Economy (Estonia)

"Museum Agency" Leningradskaya Oblast State Budget Institution of Culture (Russia)

#### **Associates:**

Heritage Conservation Board of Estonia Ida-Viru County Government (Estonia) Narva Museum (Estonia)

Committee for Culture of Leningrad Region (Russia) Administration of the Municipal Formation "City Ivangorod Kingisepp Municipal District" (Russia)

**Budget (total** awarded)

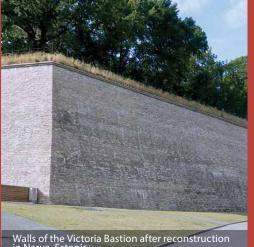


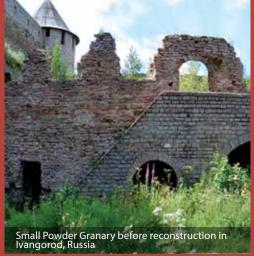
6 394 574 EUR

**Duration** 



























#### Reconstruction of historical fortress structures in Narva

- The reconstructed Victoria Bastion and Powder cellar:
  - Victoria Bastion external walls are reconstructed (2154 m²)
  - Victoria Bastion casemate double-level galleries are reconstructed (661.3 m²) and accommodate a historical exposition
  - An external curtain wall between Honor and Victoria bastions (140 m<sup>2</sup>) is restored and strengthened
  - The Powder cellar is reconstructed (102.19 m²) and accommodates the Welcome Centre
  - Green spaces are established (ca 5300 m²)
  - Foot-paths, grounds and access roads are constructed (1627 m²)

#### Reconstruction of historical fortress structures in Ivangorod fortress

- The reconstructed Small Powder Granary of the 17th century:
  - 1st floor reception and information centre (69.6 m²), souvenir shop (40.2 m²), exhibition room for temporary expositions (53.9 m²)
  - 2nd floor exhibition hall for the permanent exposition (211.5 m²); attic for museum specialist offices and a conference hall (187.5 m²)
- During reconstruction of the Small Powder Granary:
  - Restored external walls (1249 m²) and inner walls (99.2 m²)
  - Reconstructed Stone floor on the 1st floor (163.7 m<sup>2</sup>)
  - Constructed 2nd and 3rd story floors (399 m²)
  - Constructed rib system and the roof (476.58 m<sup>2</sup>)
  - Installed 3 inner stairs, 15 windows, 10 doors
- Conservation of the Quadrangular fortress built in 1492 is implemented (517 m²). The landscape of the fortress court territory (1981.7 m²) is improved



- 2 new tourist objects the Victoria Bastion casemates in Narva and the Small Powder Granary in Ivangorod – are created and open for visitors. 3 working places are created
- An increased number of tourists and visitors of 15% (present total value of ca 177 000 coming tourists per year)
- Equal possibilities for different groups for visiting the Victoria Bastion in Narva and Small Powder Granary in Ivangorod are created
- Availability and quality of tourist information is improved
- The living environment is improved for 75 000 cross-border inhabitants of Narva and Ivangorod
- Training courses for guides and museum workers in Narva and Ivangorod are organised
- Cultural monuments of national significance are preserved against dilapidation
- The landscape and access territory is renovated, the quality of access roads is improved

## SAFE ROAD

#### Improvement of Traffic and Border Crossing Possibilities in Värska-Pechory Monastery Road





Improvement of border crossing possibilities and traffic safety in Värska-Pechory monastery road for the development of South Estonia and Pskov region (Russia) border regions, a better living environment and more favorable business environment, especially for transport/logistic and tourism sectors. Contribution to increase safety on cross-border roads

Partners (lead partner first)



Estonian Road Administration (Estonia) The Administration of Pechory District (Russia) Municipal Culture Institution "Pechory Culture Center" (Russia) General Partnership Company "Shans & Co" (Russia)

#### Associates:

State Committee of Road Facilities in Pskov Region (Russia) Department for Foreign Economic Relations, State Committee of the Pskov Region for Economic Development and Investment Policy (Russia) Värska Municipality (Estonia) The Union of Setomaa Rural Municipalities (Estonia)

**Total budget** spent



5 597 844 EUR

**Duration** 







Svobody Square in Pechory town after reconstruction, Russia





















- A 17 km long road section was reconstructed in Põlva county, Estonia. In accordance to international standards the reconstructed 14.6 km long road section Reha-Koidula and 2.4 km gravel road section Värska-Reha got tarmac pavement (Estonia)
- Reconstructed ca 2.1 km long streets from Kunichina Gora frontier point to Pechory monastery (Russia)
- A new electricity system is established and road signs are installed in the reconstructed street in Pechory (Russia)
- Additionally the construction of the water and sewerage system under the street enabled to connect 25 houses in Jurjevskaya Street to the Pechory city water and sewerage system (Russia)
- A 0.5 ha parking area is constructed in Pskovskaja Street for tourism buses and cars in Pechory (Russia)
- A constructed 1.6 km long foot/cycle way in Värska village and a 0.3 km long foot/ cycle way in Koidula border area (Estonia), ca 2.1 km foot/cycle ways in Pechory town (Russia)
- Faster and safer traffic possibilities are ensured for trucks and cars in the border areas of South-East Estonia and Pskov region (Russia)
- Increased cross-border traffic flows from EU to Russian Federation and back through Koidula–Kunichina Gora crossborder points (Estonia-Russia)









- Joint events for exchange of experience are held: a seminar about the latest trends in using traffic safety principles in road construction in Russia
- Safer infrastructure has been created for tourists visiting Pechory town, including the Holy Dormition Pskovo-Pechorsky Monastery (Russia)
- Traffic accidents in the border area decreased
- Safer traffic opportunities are created for cyclists and foot passengers in the border areas of South-East Estonia and Pechory, Pskov region (Russia)
- A cross-border network of specialists engaged in road construction and traffic safety/education is established; knowledge on new technologies of road construction and traffic safety is increased
- An increase of tourists visiting tourism, cultural attractions in the border regions of South-Estonia and Pechory (Russia)



## Vientuļi-Brunishevo

Reconstruction of BCP "Vientuli" (Latvia) and Arrangement of BCP "Brunishevo" (Russian Federation)

Project in key words

Improvement of infrastructure and increase of capacity of BCP Vientuli (Latvia) and BCP Brunishevo (Russia) by improving overall capacity of the Latvian-Russian border crossing infrastructure

Partners (lead partner first)

State Joint Stock Company "State Real Estate" (Latvia) Federal Agency for the Development of the State Border Facilities of the Russian Federation (Russia) Federal State Budget Institution "Rosgranstroy" (Russia)

**Total budget** spent

9 294 619 EUR

**Duration** 







BCP Vientuli after reconstruction, Latvia

























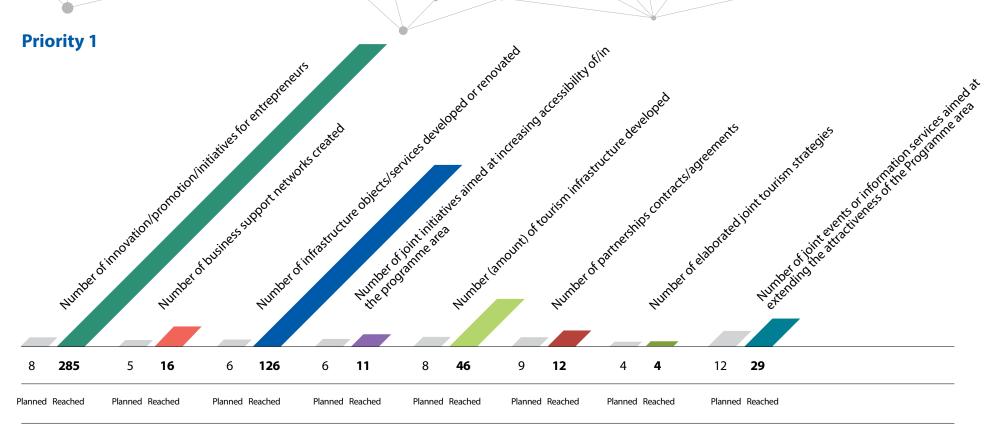
- Various on-site buildings are developed in both border crossing points (BCP):
  - an administrative building, deep inspection building, control pavilion, utilities building in BCP Vientuli
  - an administrative building with sheds, border and customs control pavilions, pavilions for the checkpoint building for BCP maintenance services in BCP Brunishevo
- Water supply, sewerage and waste water treatment infrastructure and facilities are installed in both BCPs (water supply pipework with an additional supply for firefighting; drinking, firefighting and rain water pumping stations; sewage treatment equipment and pipework; rain water and land drainage pipework)
- Power and heat supply infrastructure and facilities are installed and reconstructed:
  - an external power connection, lighting network, site power cables, power supply distribution boxes, heat boilers, diesel generator and other facilities in BCP Vientuli
  - an off-site power supply network, transformer substation, lighting posts with lamps, blockmodular automated boiler-house on diesel fuel, fuel storage, dual heat pipes and other facilities in BCP Brunishevo
- Communication and security systems are developed:
  - integrated security system, a communication system and border control equipment in BCP Brunishevo
  - channels (ducts) for communication cables in BCP Vientuli
- Driveways and square infrastructure and basic site preparation work is carried out in both BCPs:
  - paved driveways and squares, asphalt-concrete strip around the building, curbsin BCP Brunishevo
  - drainage ditch construction, ground raising, driveway substructure preparation, excess ground evacuation, fence, gates, curbstone and road pavement installation, traffic organisation barriers in BCP Vientuli



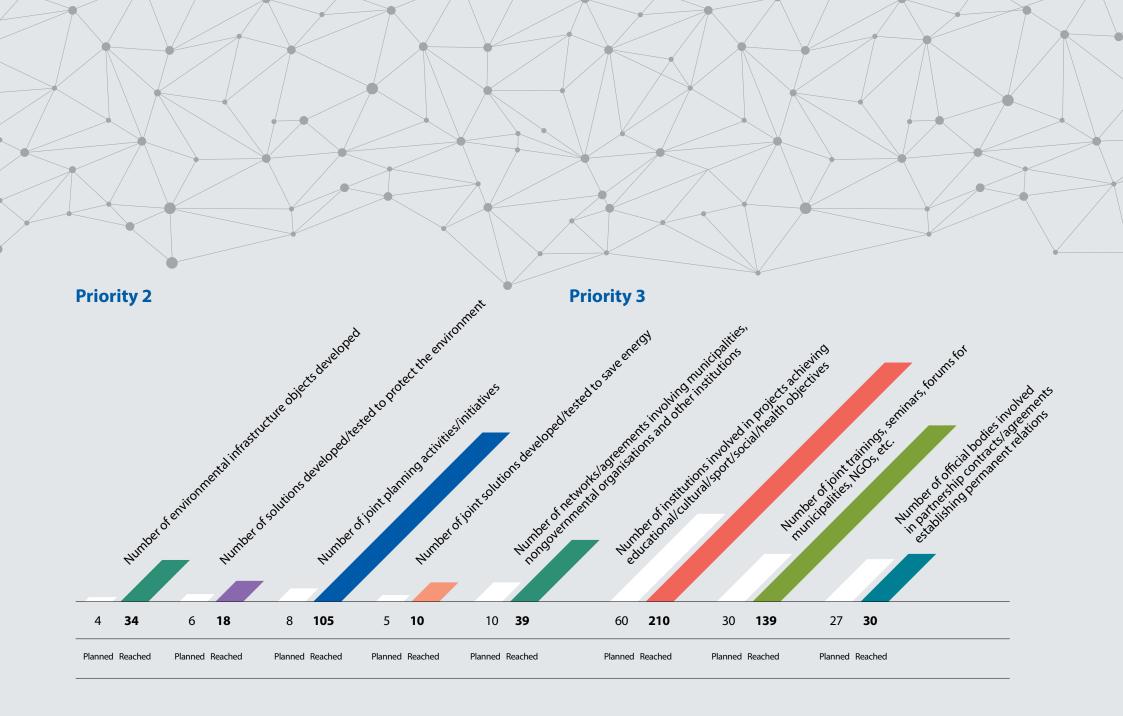
- The reconstruction of BCP Vientuli and the opening of the BCP for cargo traffic will facilitate development of international trade and will eventually decrease bottlenecks on the Latvian-Russian border
- The arrangement of BCP Brunishevo and an eventual opening of the BCP for multilateral traffic across the border will facilitate development of cross-border tourism and trade, as well it will increase the capacity of the Russian-Latvian border
- Working conditions of the controlling bodies and border and customs control quality are improved at both BCPs making EU-Russia border more secure
- Vientuli and Brunishevo BCPs will contribute to sustainable economic development of the crossborder region. Increased capacity of the BCPs will decrease potential queues on the border crossings and thus greenhouse gases, sulphur oxides, nitrogen oxides emissions and littering will decrease
- The technical design and implemented solutions of Vientuli and Brunishevo BCPs are adapted to the needs of people with disabilities
- Jobs created in the BCPs and increased transport flows through the BCP will additionally contribute to sustainable development of the near-border territories in Pskov, Russia and Latgale and Vidzeme regions in Latvia

### **Programme indicators**

The Programme indicators are vital to the efficient and effective implementation of the Programme. They serve to monitor and evaluate the extent to which the Programme has achieved its objectives, and the efficiency with which it has done so. These indicators are linked to the aim of each priority. In the info graphs below you will see a comparison between indicators planned by the Programme initially and fulfilment of those targets reached by all supported projects.



Data on 01.09.2016



### Programme indicators

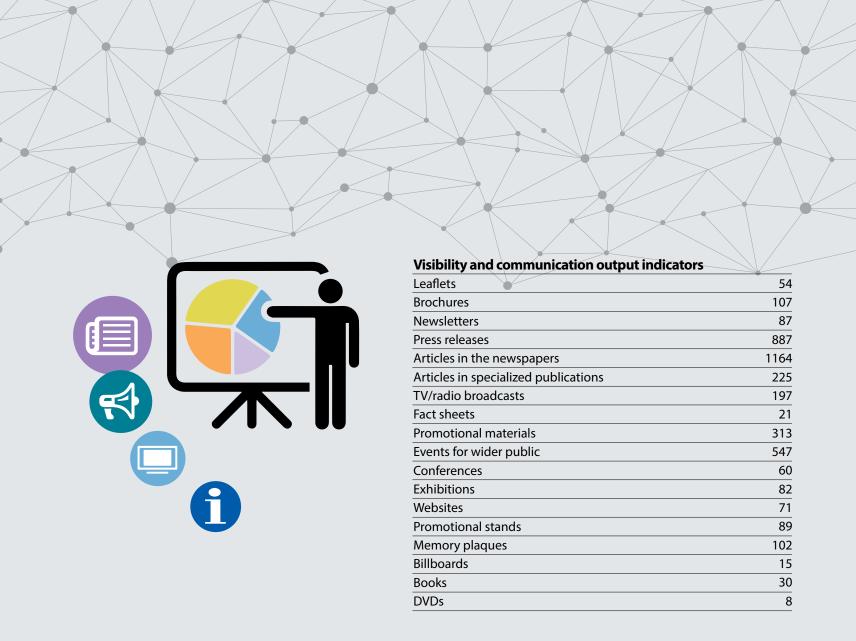
Additional indicators reached by projects



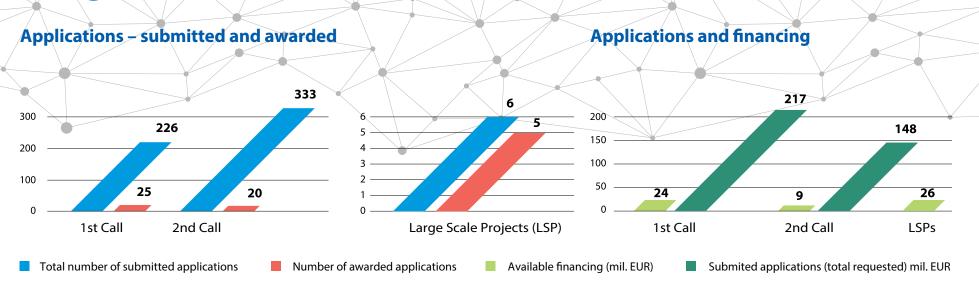
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#### Number of

Priority 1	
new nature related/ seasonal tourism products/services developed	
Priority 2	
historical/ cultural sites restored	1
energy related infrastructure developed (objects)	,
energy related infrastructure renewed (objects)	
persons trained	169
public campaigns to raise the environmental awareness of population	1
Priority 3	
joint culture events implemented	3
small scale renovations performed (objects)	
	- 1
cooperation models developed	

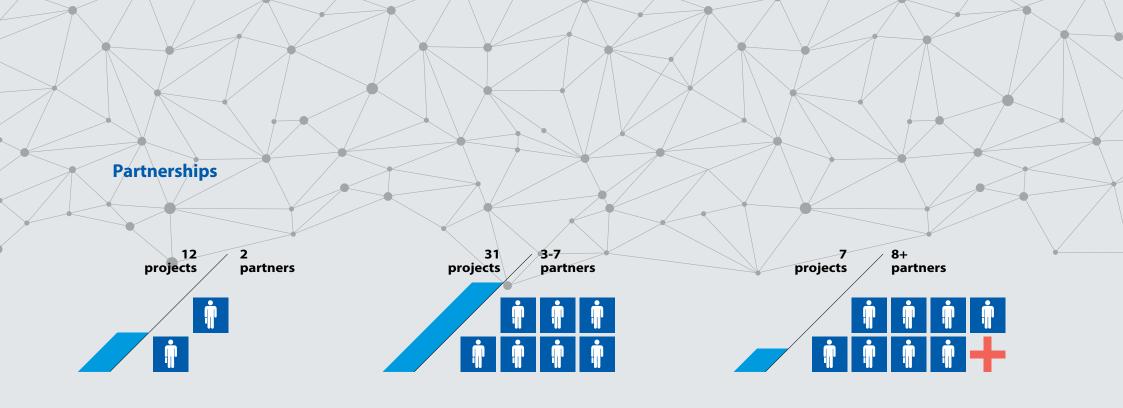


### Programme in numbers



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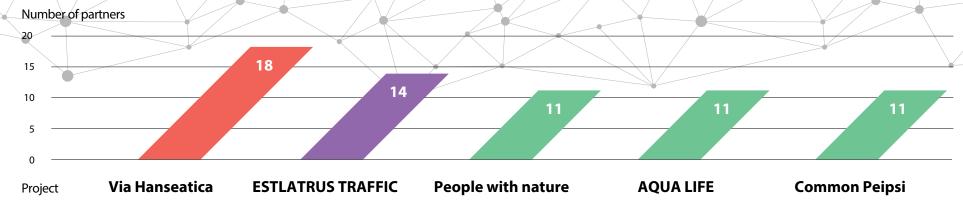


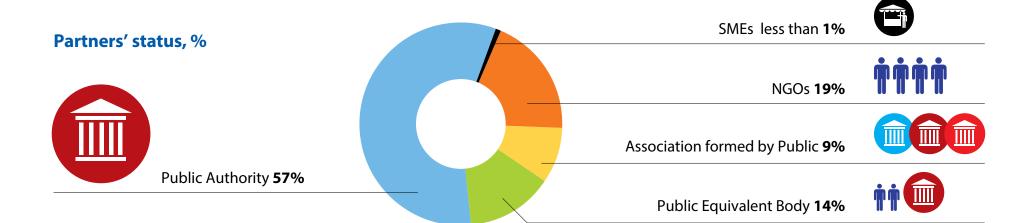
#### **Bilateral partnerships**



### Programme in numbers

#### Largest partnerships





#### **Changes in the projects**

	Total amount of changes	Type of changes			Amount of changes by the type of change							
		Minor	Major	Budget	Change	Time plan	Extension of project implementation	Partnership	A staff member or expert	Legal title and status	Use of savings	Use of the contingency reserve
1st Call Projects	179	136	43	143	21	10	13	7	48	8	4	3
2nd Call Projects	114	79	35	80	16	7	13	2	15	2	1	
Large Scale Project (LSP)	58	35	23	40	10		6	1				
Total	351	250	101	263	47	17	32	10	63	10	5	3

#### **Programme assistance to project implementation**



Programme annual events

10



European Cooperation
Day major events

104



Seminars and consultations

### Joint Monitoring Committee decisions



Number of Written

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2012	23	
2011	44	



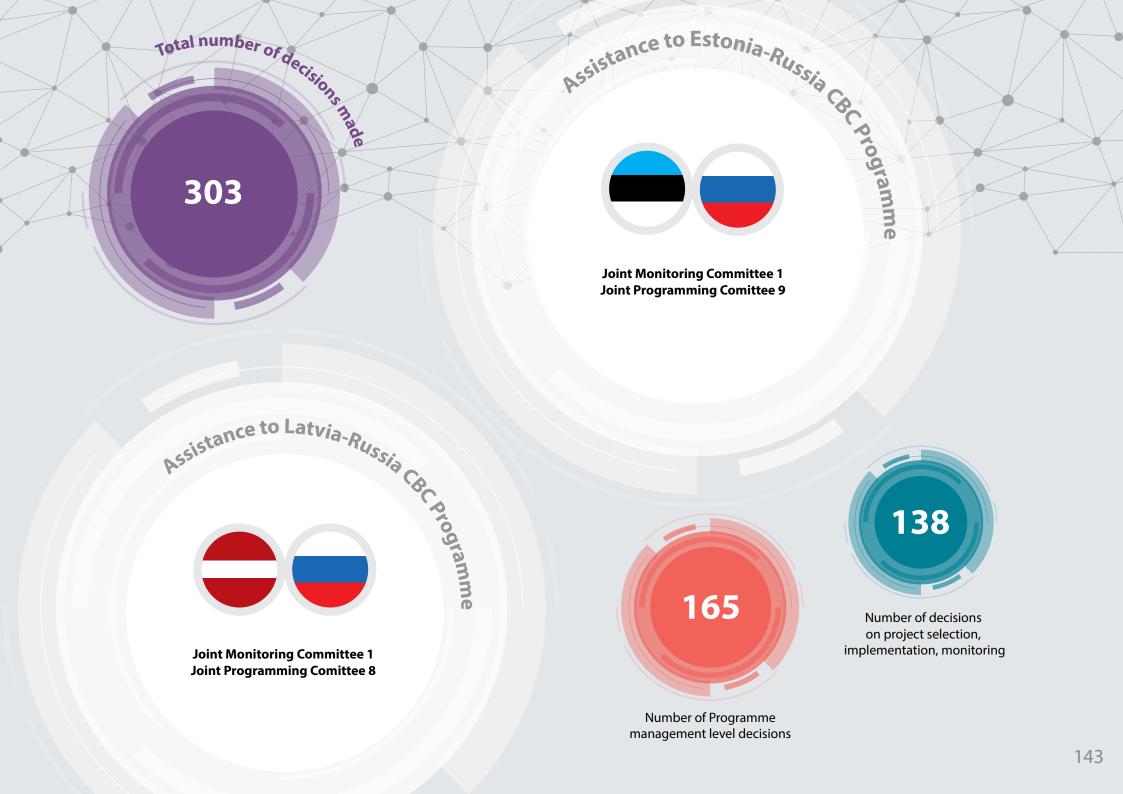


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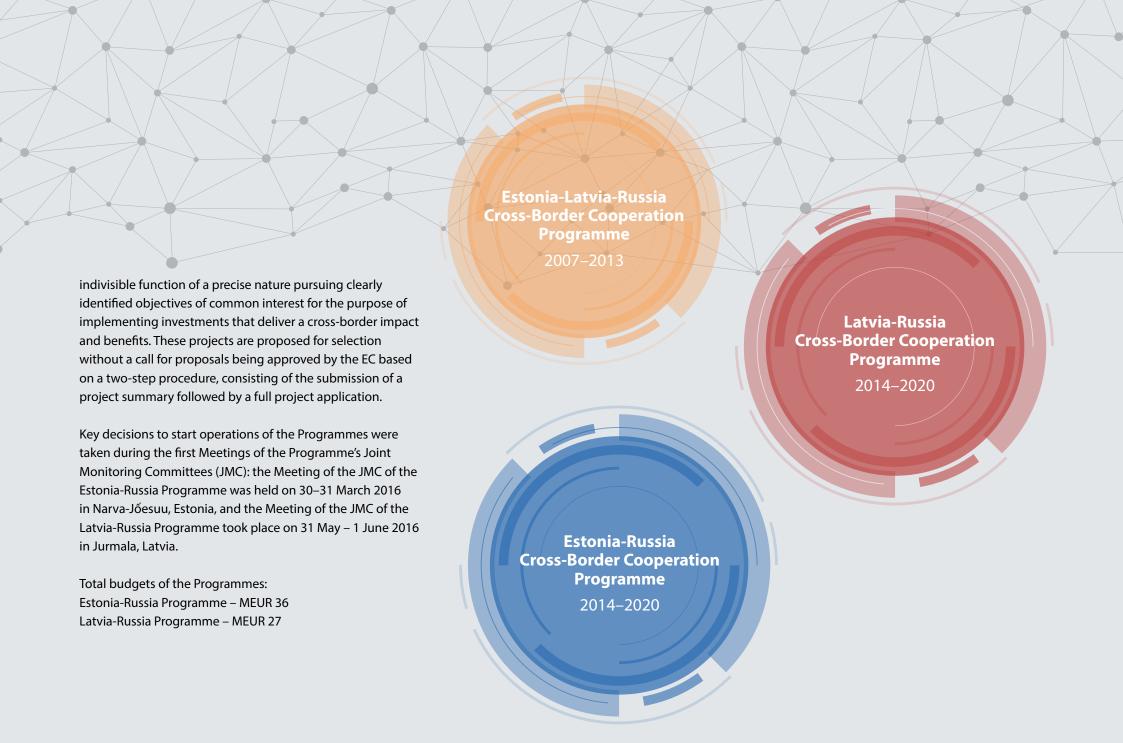


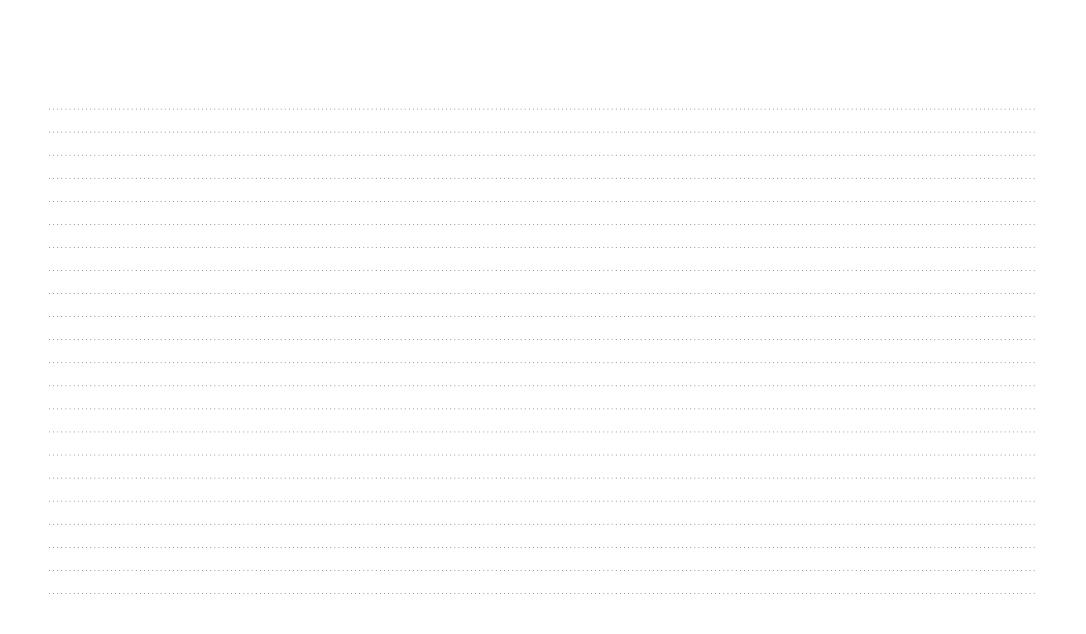
# New Round of Estonia-Russia and Latvia-Russia Cross-border Cooperation is Ready for Take-off

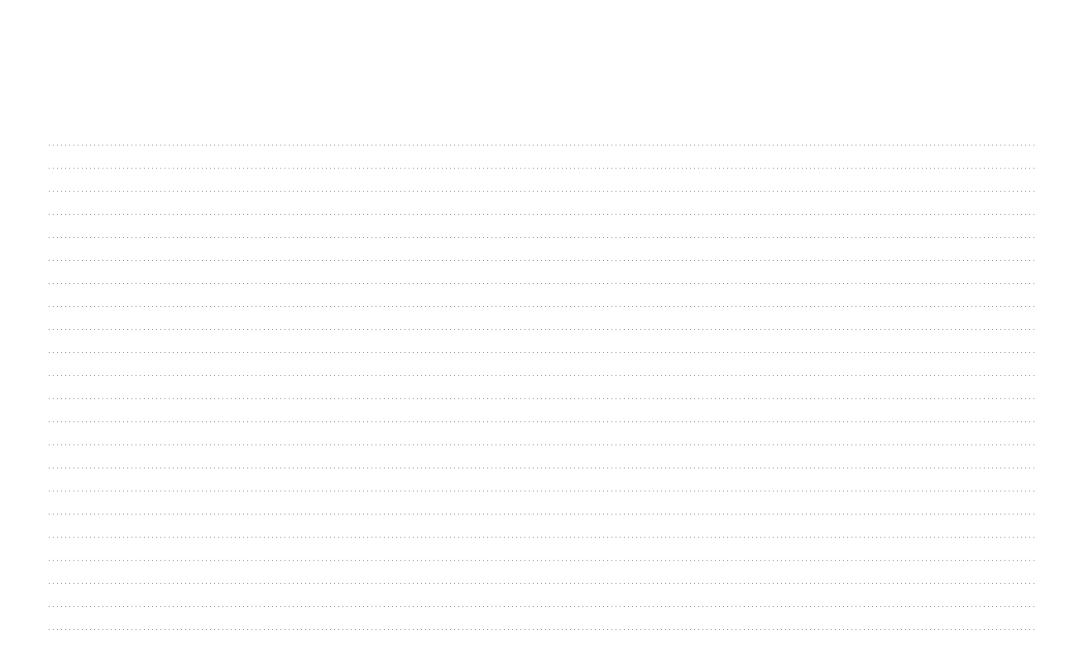
The impressive results achieved within the course of implementation of Estonia-Latvia-Russia Cross-border cooperation Programme 2007–2013 had given a strong momentum for the development of the bilateral cooperation Programmes Estonia-Russia and Latvia-Russia for the period 2014–2020, with major features reflected in the Joint Operational Programmes approved by the European Commission in December 2015. The gained experience had demonstrated a clear need for closer cooperation in the preparation and implementation of the projects with sufficient infrastructure components and a more realistic attitude to the time planning of such actions. Based on this understanding the Joint Programming Committees of Estonia-Russia and Latvia-Russia CBC Programmes had identified indicative lists of the Large Infrastructure Projects (LIPs) that are already included in the Joint Operational Programmes focusing on SME development, preserving historical and cultural heritage on both sides of the border, protecting and saving water resources, development of border-crossing point infrastructure and border management procedures. Based on the bordering regions' needs

assessment for cooperation development, the following 3 Thematic Objectives (TO) to be supported were chosen by both Estonia-Russia and Latvia-Russia Programmes to award projects through the open calls: business and SME development; environmental protection, climate change mitigation and adaptation; promotion of border management and border security, mobility and migration management. Additionally the Estonia-Russia Programme is planning to support activities under the Thematic Objective – support to local and regional good governance, capitalizing the outstanding results achieved in the previous trilateral Programme.

According to the Implementation Rules applicable to Estonia-Russia and Latvia-Russia CBC Programmes 2014–2020, up to 30 % of EU funding for the Programme may be allocated to LIPs with the value of infrastructure acquisition in the project of at least EUR 2.5 million. In addition it should comprise a set of works, activities or services intended to fulfil an









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