

FACT SHEET, July-August 2014

Fruits of Projects

In current months their activities finalised three projects.

Trilateral CBC project **“Development of the centres for culture and creative industries in Rāpina, Vilaka and Pechory”** (“PROMOTING HERITAGE”) improved accessibility to cultural and historical heritage for inhabitants and visitors by reconstructing 3 historical buildings and **established**, as well **equipped Centres for Creative Industries in Rāpina (Estonia), Vilaka (Latvia) and Pechory (Russia)**. **3 folklore expeditions** in Pechory district, **3 master classes** in partner municipalities were organised. **2000 booklets** in Russian and English on the folklore expedition results were issued. Project [PORTFOLIO](#).

CBC project between Latvia and Russia **„Cooperation in the theatre and the music arts development”** („Culture arts”) has strengthened the cooperation between 12 culture groups of Limbaži, Salacgrīva (Latvia) and Volhov (Russia). Partners organised 8 separate and 2 common **theatre performances**, **6 theatre festivals** in Russia and Latvia. Numerous workshops, master classes and lectures as well 9 different style **concerts** and **6 music festivals** in partner countries have taken place. 1 **theatre centre**, technical equipment for 3 orchestras was **improved**. Project [PORTFOLIO](#).

Bilateral cooperation project **“Unique Estonian-Russian fortresses ensemble development as a single tourist product. Stage II”** (EstRusFortTour-2) has contributed to tourism development in border area of Estonia and Russia through **improvement of tourism infrastructure** and enhanced accessibility to Narva and Ivangorod fortresses ensemble. The access roads were reconstructed, **created innovative tourism service tool** - single audio-tour around Narva and Ivangorod fortresses, developed **common marketing strategy** of the service. Project [PORTFOLIO](#).

Auditors Have Met for the Consultations in Three Countries

In July three consultations and round table discussions were organised for auditors of supported projects. On 2 July **in Tartu** (Estonia) the auditors of Estonian partners representing **10 projects**, on 3 July **in Riga** (Latvia) the auditors of Latvian partners representing **9 projects** and on 17 July **in St.Petersburg** (Russia) the auditors of Russian partners representing **6 projects** took part.

The JTS staff from Riga office and branch offices presented information about provisions of Annex VII of the Grant Contract, legal framework, requirements for visibility and evidences of achieved outputs and results as well discussed the available assistance from the JTS and other involved parties.

Project Portfolios in Four Languages Published

All 50 portfolios of supported projects have been **translated into Russian** and are published on the Programme website. **Into Estonian and Latvian** languages are translated portfolios, **where partners from Estonia and/or Latvia** are **involved** in the project. Project portfolios in 4 languages can be viewed here: [in English](#); [in Estonian](#); [in Latvian](#); [in Russian](#).

Video Flashback to the Project Exhibition in Gatchina, Russia

Memorable moments from an enthralling **project exhibition “Children in project focus”** which was held in frame of Annual Event 2014 of the Estonia-Latvia-Russia Programme in Gatchina Palace, Gatchina on 4 June are gathered in the video review and can be viewed [HERE](#).

Programme Celebrates the European Cooperation Day

“Sharing borders, growing closer” - on 21 September 2014 and the surrounding days the European Cooperation Day (ECDay) will be celebrated for the third year.

Programme presents its ECDay poster – Programme achievements have been summarized and benefits presented in factual and visual evidences on colourful poster which will be distributed in September 2014.

Picture of the project EstRusFortTour-2 will be included in the EU Neighbourhood Info Centre photo exhibition, “Faces of the Neighbourhood”, in Brussels (Belgium) at the Info Point Schuman in September /October. That is the prize for winning the Special Audience Award and participation in the Photo Competition initiated by ENPI Info Centre.

The ECDay video contest “Border issues, Border solutions” organized by INTERACT Programme has announced the winners. More than 90 videos were competing, including 4 video clips submitted by the Estonia-Latvia-Russia Programme.

Programme organizes joint preservation activities in co-operation with project “To preserve not to lose it – safeguarding of cultural heritage” in three countries to preserve the cultural heritage as following:

13 September - Sangaste castle, Sangaste, Valga County, **Estonia**

25 September - Dedovichi District Central Library - United Centre of Cultural Heritage,
Dedovichi Pskov Region, **Russia**

30 September - Balvi Manor Orchard and Balvi County Museum, Balvi, Balvi district, **Latvia**

Be part of it! Join our common undertakings or initiate your own action to celebrate the European Cooperation Day!

Yours JTS Team

