

PROJECT ACRONYM AND TITLE: SUSTCULT - Achieving SUSTainability through an integrated approach to the management of CULTural heritage

FUNDING PROGRAMME: Interreg

CALL: SEE – South East Europea transnational cooperation programme

SCIENTIFIC FIELDS: Cultural heritage, promote the use of cultural values for development

HOST DEPARTMENT: DFBC – Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage

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FINANCIAL DATA:

Project total costs	Overall funding assigned to UNIVE	
€ 1.675.452,68	€ 177.898,80	

ABSTRACT:

Many valuable heritage sites in the SEE region are under pressure. Cultural heritage is often used to respond to economic concerns (tourism), rarely to valorise culturally a territory, its people, its traditions, its roots. The innovative approach of SUSTCULT is that cultural heritage has a social and ecological intrinsic significance which shall be safeguarded as a source of sustainable development (SD). Improving the effectiveness of cultural sites management is a priority and the common cultural and political challenge to be addressed by SEE partners is the integration of cultural heritage management into planning and development of urban settlements and territories. SUSTCULT's main objective is to improve the effectiveness of heritage sites management through the development, testing and dissemination of an holistic approach capable of valorizing the complexity of SEE cultural heritage. The SUSTCULT partnership includes Italy, Slovenia, Albania, Greece, FYROM, Romania and Hungary; it involves 12 institutions with diverse competencies and experience: diversity in cultural management capacity, cultural resources and contexts are valorised and subsidiarity and multilevel cooperation is ensured. Expected results are: Increased awareness among wider public and stakeholders of the SEE heritage value and its potential for attracting financial resources and sustainable growth; Shared knowledge and geo-referenced information on cultural heritage; Transferable framework for the sustainable management of heritage through the development of a common methodology; Greater institutional capacity in managing and promoting heritage; Greater use of ICT for mapping and promoting cultural resources; Improved management and integration of cultural heritage sites in planning instruments; Better understanding and knowledge of market opportunities and strategies for increasing tourist attractiveness of targeted sites and income generation.

Planned Start date	Planned End date
1 st Januray 2011	31 st December 2013

PARTNERSHIP:

1 City of Venice	Venice (IT)	Coordinator
2 Ca' Foscari University	Italia	Partner
3 University of Nova Gorica	Slovenia	Partner
4 Regional Development of Agency of Nothern Primorska	Slovenia	Partner
5 Europe of Cultures forum	Greece	Partner
6 National Institute of Heritage	Romania	Partner
7 Local Development agency of Bacau	Romania	Partner
8 Ister-Granum European Grouping for Territorial	Hungary	Partner
9 Municipality of Ohrid	Macedonia	Partner
10 Municipality of Berat	Albania	Partner
11 Regional Directorate National Culture	Albania	Partner
12 UNESCO Venice Office	Italia	Partner