

Project fiche

TITLE OF THE PROJECT	MUS&NAT Cross-border digital museum for the increase of slow tourism and participatory safeguarding of
	the nature
Funding programme	Interreg Italy-Austria
Summary of the project	The project sets up a network of Italian and Austrian local institutions aimed at creating and promoting a slow tourism product focused on rivers (Isonzo, Sile, Gail) and nature. The natural sites will be enhanced through a cross-border digital museum setting up through the active involvement of the citizenship.
Partners	Municipality of Gorizia — LEAD PARTNER Municipality of Morgano - PARTNER Museum für Volkskultur — PARTNER Land Carinthia - PARTNER
Challenges	 to valorise less-known destinations close to art cities and main tourism flows; to self-promote as tourism sites devoted to school and cycling tourism; to create a network of towns that have already carried out projects for the exploitation of their natural tourism potential; to raise awareness of the population on the importance of the protection and conservation of river habitats;
	General objective: development of responsible and sustainable tourism with a limited environmental impact
Objectives	 Specific objectives: to create new tools for the Didactic Plans; to attract tourists interested in natural and slow tourism products; to raise awareness of the population towards environmental themes;



Contribution to programme's objectives European dimension of the project / European added value	The project is consistent with the programme's objectives as it aims at preserving the uniqueness of the cultural and natural heritage and fostering a sustainable and cross-border tourism that balances protection and enhancement of natural sites through an active involvement of the local communities. The European added value for this project is the use of a joint methodology for the setting up of a cross-border network of natural sites addressed to school tourism.
Contribution to other policies	The project is consistent with regional policies of Friuli Venezia Giulia and Veneto regions. The Strategic Plan of Friuli Venezia Giulia Region 2018-2023 identifies, among its priorities, the setting up of slow tourism packages addressed to specific Italian and foreign target groups (and the project is addressed to schools). The Destination Management Plan of the "Art cities and Venetian Villas of the Treviso's territory" aims at enhancing the sport and school tourism as well as the and promotes the setting up of international partnerships. It also aims at becoming a destination that pays attention to social responsibility and sustainability.
Synergy and complementarity	The project is also complementary to the project "Isonzo-Soca Crossborder Park" financed by the programme Interreg Italy-Slovenia 2014-2020 whose main goal is the conservation, protection, recovery and development of the natural and cultural heritage of the cross-border area along the Isonzo-Soca river, as a homogeneous tourist-recreational destination.
Description of the project and organisation in WPs	WP1 - administrative and financial management WP2 - communication and dissemination WP3 - METHODOLOGY FOR A CROSS-BORDER APPROACH WP3.1 - awareness raising activities and definition of a methodology for participatory processes with local stakeholders and schools WP3.2 - focus groups with local stakeholders (public/private and profit/non-profit as: fishermen, hunters, the Region, the local DMO, the Province, sport associations etc) on the strategy for the protection and enhancement of the river; WP3.3 - seminars addressed to schools on the intangible heritage related to the river, its flora and fauna and its history and guided tours in each town for schools from the other 2 partner areas; it aims at strengthening the identity and the sense of belonging of local communities; WP3.4 - realisation of a participatory parish map by a school for each partner area based on the same visual identity; the map will be bilingual





	and in this way language, scientific and humanities skills will be
	strengthened;
	WP3.5 – workshops with the citizenship to improve hospitality skills in
	order to let it become the first ambassador / front-office of the territory
	WP4 – digital cross-border museum of the 3 rivers
	WP4.1 - Setting up of a digital cross-border museum. The website will be
	trilingual (Italian, German and English) and fully accessible to disabled
	people. It will provide all the necessary information for the accessibility
	of visitors to the 3 destinations. The contents to be uploaded in the digital museum will be written together with schools and stakeholders in order
	to guarantee the full understanding by the readers. Different type of
	texts, according to the age of the readers, could be foreseen. This digital
	museum will be an e-learning tool to be used by local schools.
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	WP5 - promotion
	WP5.1 – agreements with hotels and restaurants of three areas for
and the second	boosting school tourism among these towns
	WP5.2 – setting up of tourism packages addressed to schools and their
	promotion through the involvement of the Regional School Offices
	WP5.3 – online promotion and participation to the School Tourism Fair of
	Genova
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	- No. of students involved;
	- No. of insights and interactions on social networks;
Output and result indicators	- No. of visits to the Digital Museum
	- No. of seminars and workshops organised;
	- % positive satisfaction questionnaires filled by the participants ;
	- No. Of school tours organised;
	- % of increased arrivals and stays;
	How will the project outputs be further used once the project has been
	finalised? How will the project continue after its end? (max 500
	characters)
Durability / sustainability	The digital museum of the 3 rivers could become a permanent e-learning
_	tool for schools participating in the project; the museum could be
	widened and include other towns and rivers sharing the same philosophy;
	There will be agreements with restaurants and hotels from the three
	areas;
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Innovative character	Active citizenship, the river as source of culture and sociability
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Target groups	Tourists, slow tourists, cyclotourists schools Citizens General public
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