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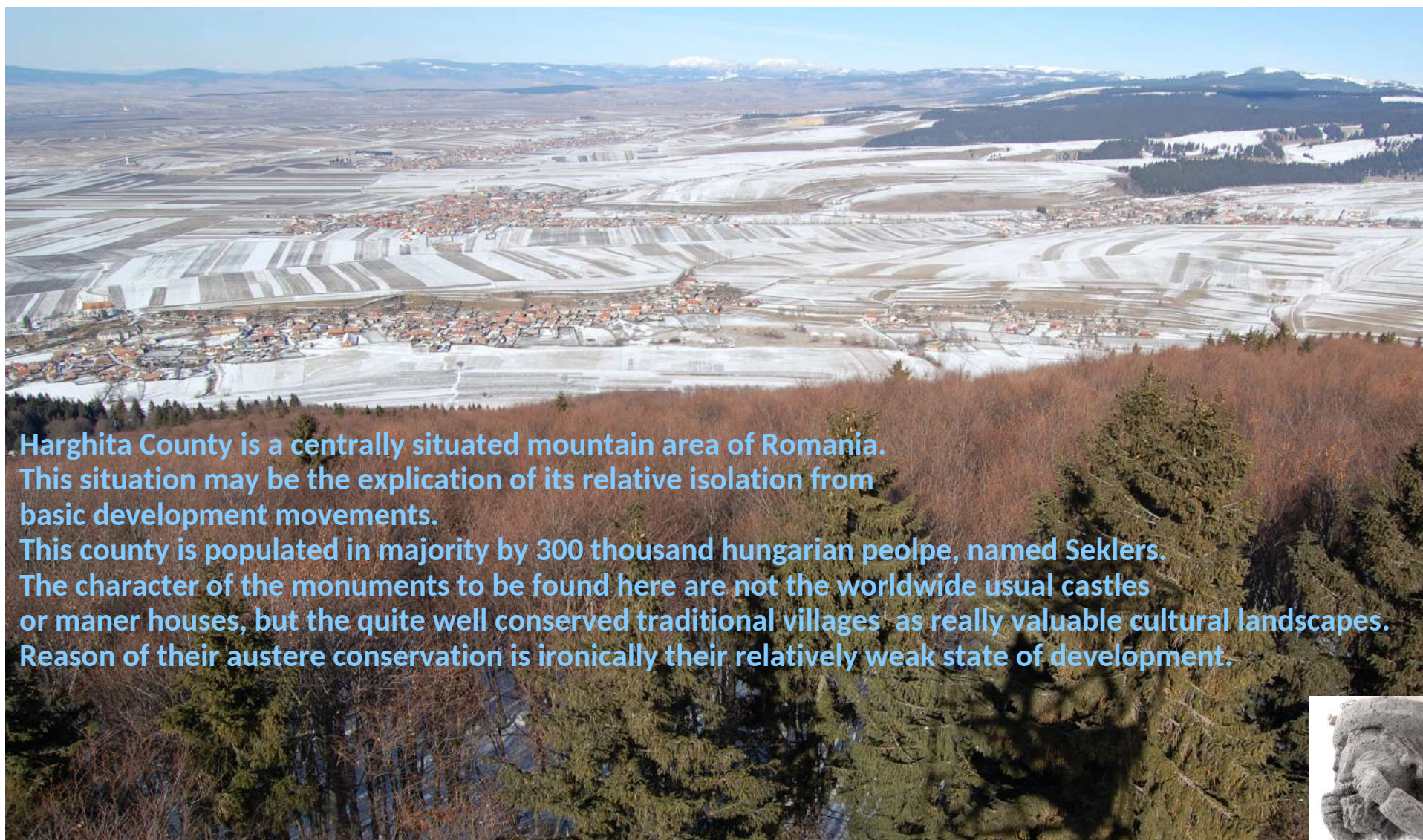
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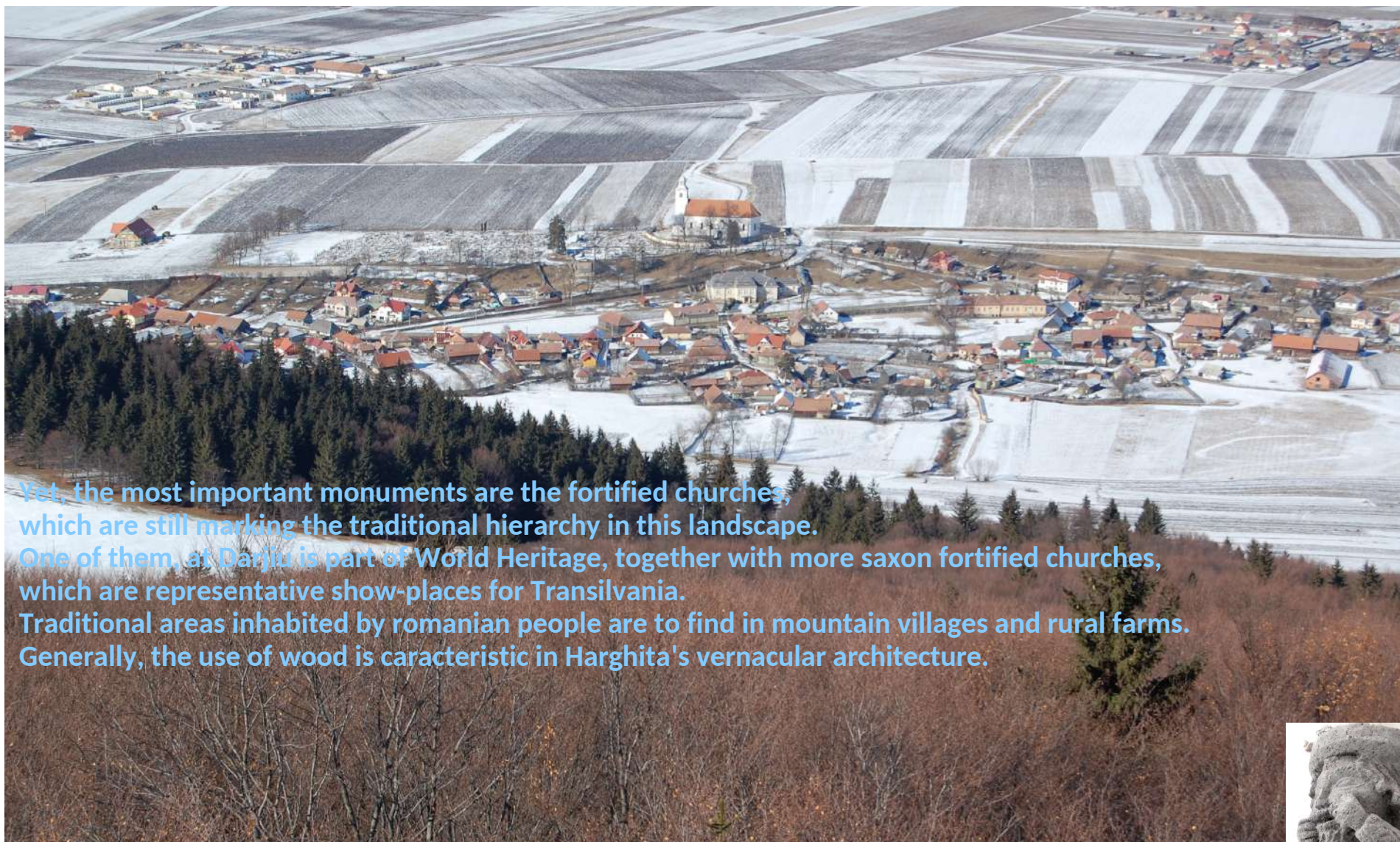
Harghita County is a centrally situated mountain area of Romania. This situation may be the explication of its relative isolation from basic development movements. This county is populated in majority by 300 thousand hungarian people, named Seklers. The character of the monuments to be found here are not the worldwide usual castles or manor houses, but the quite well conserved traditional villages as really valuable cultural landscapes. Reason of their austere conservation is ironically their relatively weak state of development.





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Yet, the most important monuments are the fortified churches, which are still marking the traditional hierarchy in this landscape. One of them, at Dârja is part of World Heritage, together with more saxon fortified churches, which are representative show-places for Transilvania. Traditional areas inhabited by romanian people are to find in mountain villages and rural farms. Generally, the use of wood is caracteristic in Harghita's vernacular architecture.



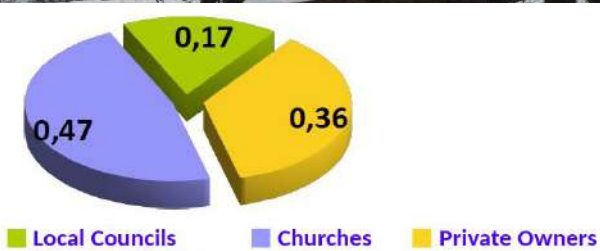
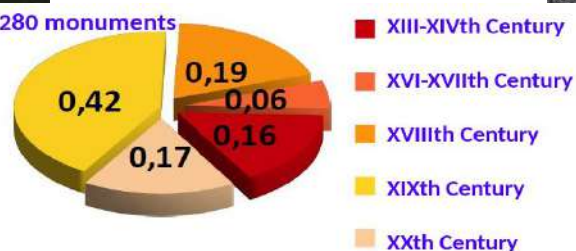


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68% of the monuments are situated  
In villages or provincial area



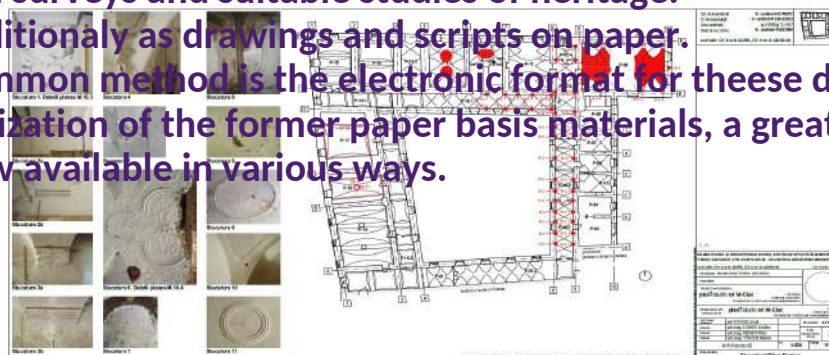
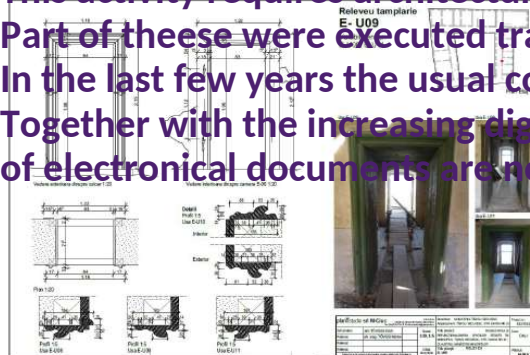


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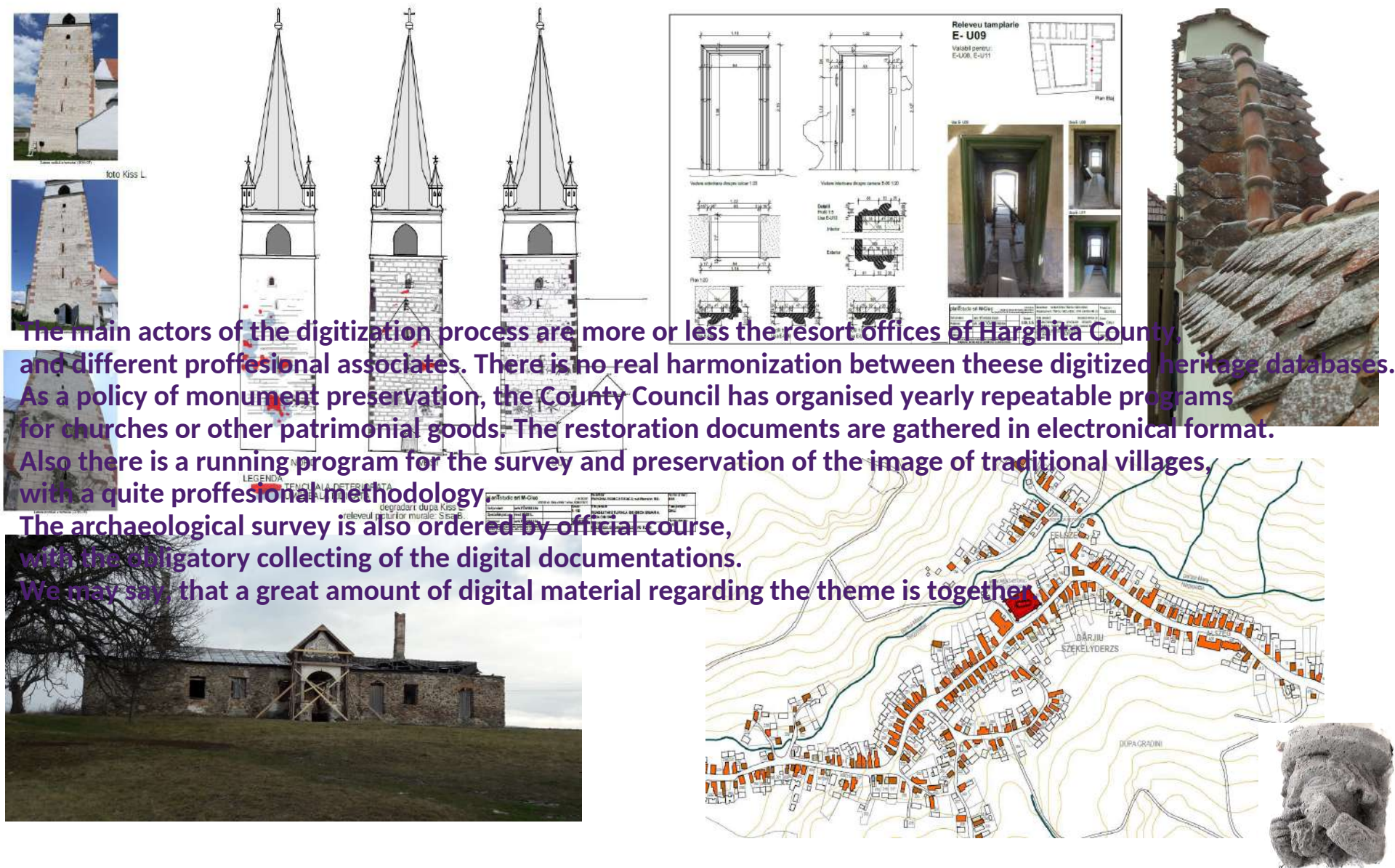
The monument preservation is officialy obligated for national and regional patrimonial values. This activity requires architectural surveys and suitable studies of heritage. Part of theese were executed traditionally as drawings and scripts on paper. In the last few years the usual common method is the electronic format for theese documentations. Together with the increasing digitization of the former paper basis materials, a great quantity of electronical documents are now available in various ways.





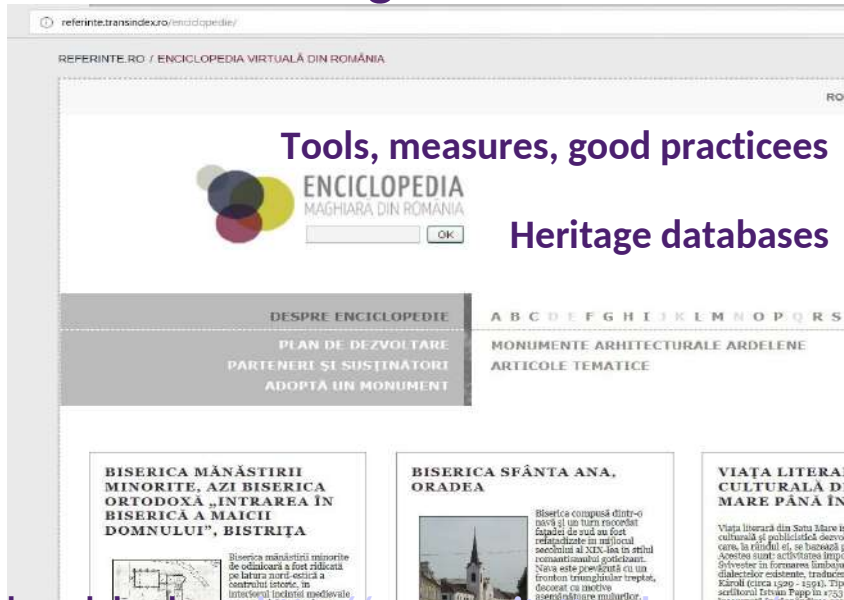
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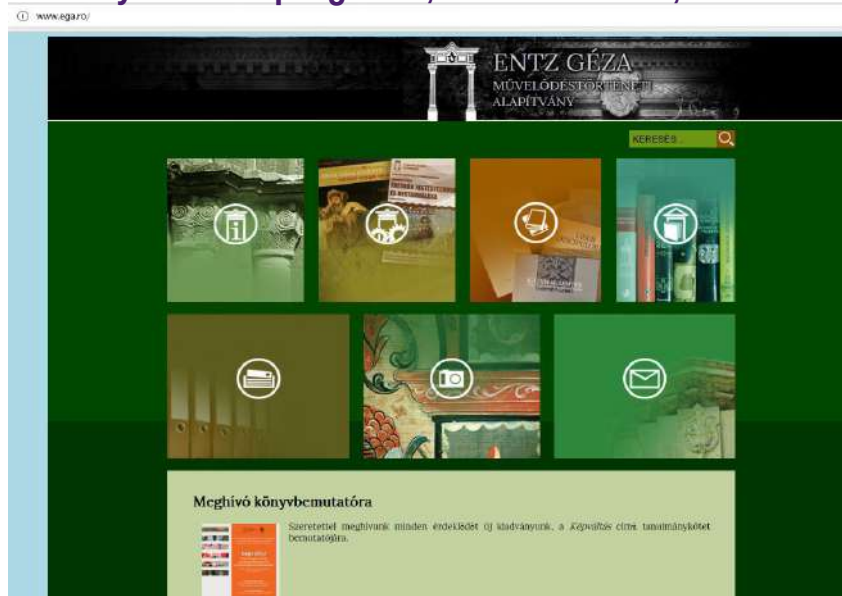


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County Council programs, and databases, lists of local-regional patrimonial values: <http://www.epitettorokseg.ro/>





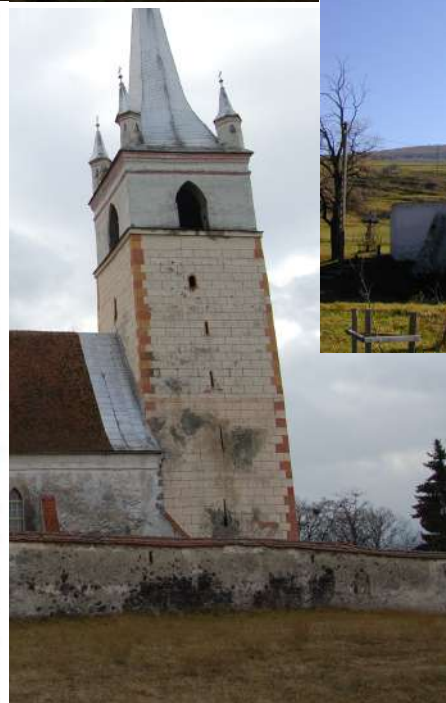
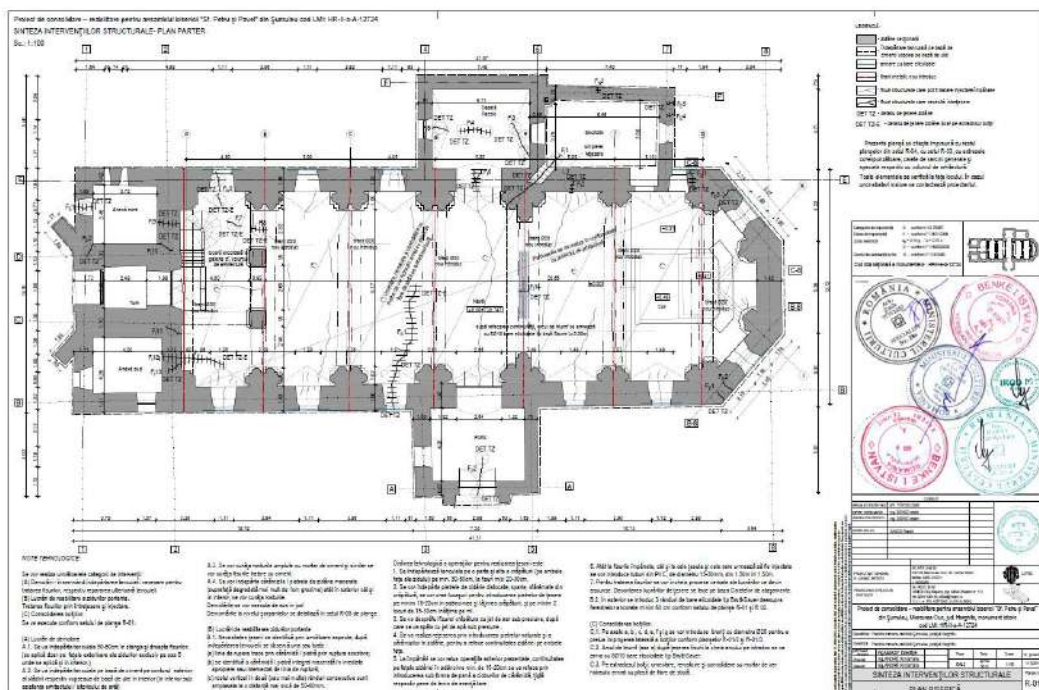
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### Conclusions

Database constructions may be continued with more systematic order. The main deficiency of the system is not the parallel formation of the different databases, but the fact that these are not linked properly.

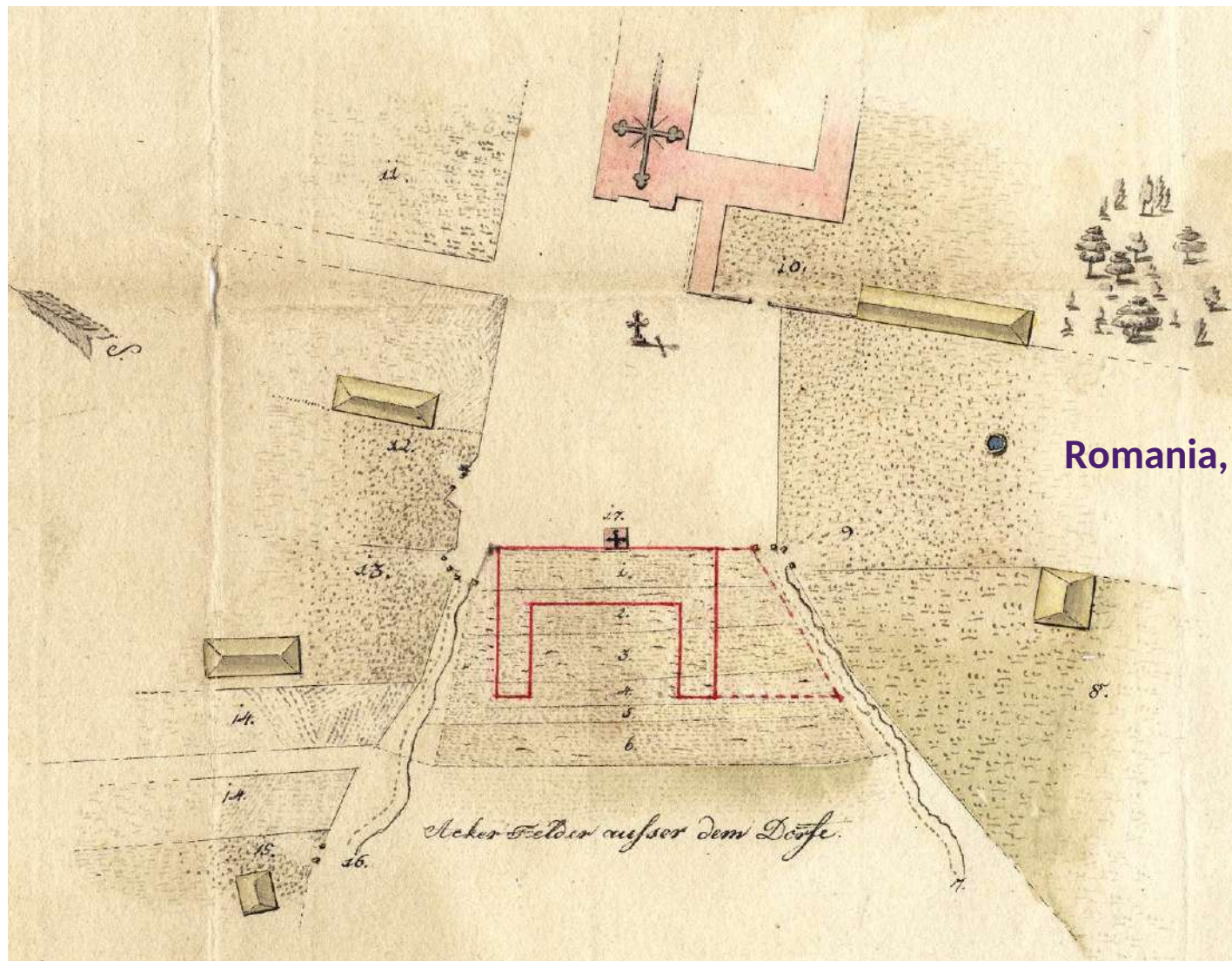
On the other side, the use of databases can just remain instrument for professionals, which may produce a kind of clamping of the informations. Could be more better the integration of the useful dates and informations in the common knowledge, by special heritage inventories, cultural tourist guides.





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