

## **REPORT 2021:**

### **Implementation of the Action Plan at the Czech-Bavarian cross-border territory**

#### **PP9: Regional Development Agency of the Pilsen Region**

Implementation of the activities of the action plan for Czech-Bavarian cross-border territory takes place outside the funds of the EPICAH project. It became part of the regular work agenda of the Regional Development Agency of the Pilsen Region (PP9) and other regional stakeholders. But it is also implemented within new two cross-border cooperation projects, which were prepared thanks to good practices and knowledge gained within the EPICAH projects.

The action plan consists of 4 tasks: (A) Methodology – the task fulfilled in 2020, (B) Preparatory phase - the task fulfilled in 2020 when all the information for other steps were gathered, (C) Implementation of capitalization activities – 4 capitalization events were already realized, and more than 15 bodies were supported. The events are following: (1) face-to-face study visit on theme of joining intangible heritage and handicraft production, (2) online study visit on the theme of climatic change and water in the countryside, (3) combination of online and face-to-face study visit on the theme of settlements with industrial heritage and its utilization for improvement of the cultural-social life of the inhabitant, (4) Special cross-border conference on the exchange of the good practices with use of the social media for the presentation of the heritage of the territory. Furthermore, dissemination of good cross-border practices as part of capitalization is going to be completed at the beginning of 2022 thanks to the new cross-regional and cross-border online magazine of the Association of Municipalities of the Pilsen Region. (D) Validation and monitoring of the implementation of the action plan was ensured thanks to 2 evaluation reports which were compiled. Thus, this task is fulfilled as well.

Next, besides the regular LSG meeting (online, 28.6.2021) we organized one additional enlarged LSG meeting in form of an international/cross-border conference (21.9.2021). Its aim was to present to a broader group of stakeholder improvements that was reached thank to the implementation of the action plan in our territory and to gain inputs for action in the following period. This event had to be organized in combi version (some present Czech participants, number of online participants, and speakers).

We were happy to invite the online representative of EPICAH lead partner, Ana Ladeiras, who presented the EPICAH projects and good practices from Spanish-Portuguese territory. Next representatives of the Euroregions brought attention to priorities of their new development strategies (2021+) which are crucial for the “small cross-border funds” in the next programming period, furthermore, representatives of MA gave feedback about the ending programming period and successful projects. In the next part, some interesting Czech and German good practices were presented. As the final part, an open discussion about relevant steps and needs of the territory for the period 2022+ was moderated by PP9 and the representative of Centre Bavaria-Bohemia. All LSG

members and PI bodies participated in this event. The event was very successful, and the concept was comprehended as very good practice for gaining relevant inspirational inputs.

#### WORKSHOP: Water

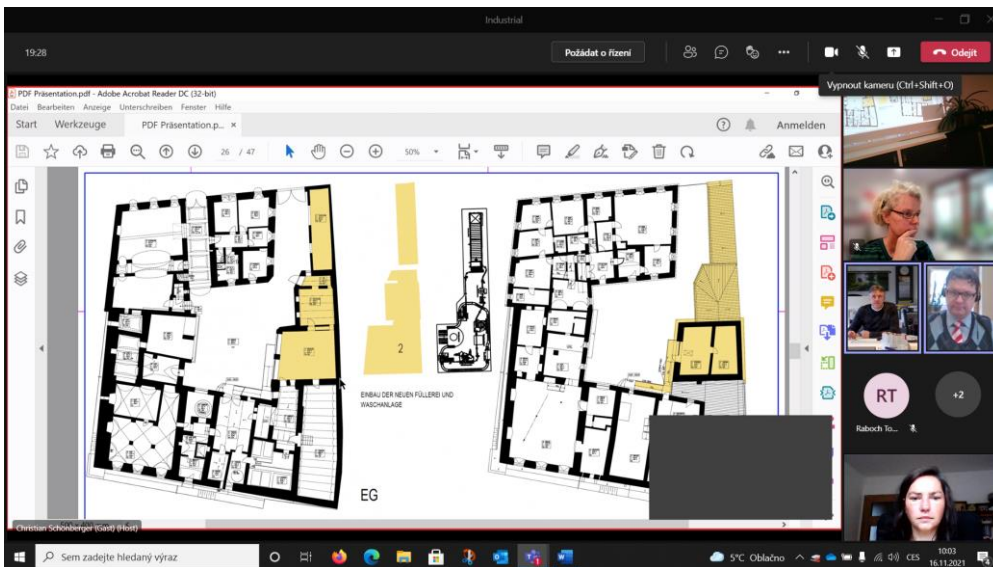


#### WORKSHOP: intangible heritage and handicraft production





## WORKSHOP: Industrial settlements



Enlarged LSG meeting (combination format, 21.9.2021) with presentation of CB success

