

RAMSAT Project

Mountains have always had a symbolic and metaphorical meaning and in the latest years, they grew as a tourism destination namely because they provide the opportunities to escape from the increasingly urbanized environments.

However, this considerable potential for tourism remains often misused, through the mass tourism that harms the fragile biodiversity and the uniqueness of these areas, or unused, with the local population and businesses left alone and unable to benefit from it. RAMSAT is designed to protect the natural and cultural heritage of Remote and Mountainous areas through Sustainable Alternative Tourism.

To achieve this goal, RAMSAT sets up several events, all along Europe: from the Pleven Heights (BG) to the Natural Park of the Serra of S. Mamede (PT), passing through the Marginimea Sibiului (RO), the Sava Hills (SI), the Iberian Sistem (ES) and the Sperrin Mountains (UK-NI).

Balancing environmental, economic, and socio-cultural aspects, the partners will develop action plans to protect the biodiversity and preserve the natural environment while increasing the number of visits to sites of cultural and natural heritage.

Agenda

The 2nd RAMSAT interregional workshop, under the theme "future of art", will take place on 21st of June in Castelo de Vide with the following agenda:

09:45 - 10:00 Welcome

10:00 – 10:20 Presentation of the Good Practice "Religious Tourism: the Jewish legacy of Castelo de Vide"

10:20 - 11:00 Action plans presentations

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 11:45 Action Plans presentations (continuation)

11:45 - 12:00 Q&A

12:00 - 12:30 Round table "Future of Art"

12:30 - 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 17:30 Study Visit in Castelo de Vide (Good Practice: Religious

Tourism: the Jewish legacy of Castelo de Vide")

19:00 - Partner's official dinner

Registration

The Intermunicipal Community of Alto Alentejo, as project coordinator, would like to invite you to participate in this workshop, on 21st of June.

Location: Castelo de Vide Thermal Baths Building (future Garcia d'Orta Interpretation Centre)

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