



Water-related heritage valorisation through storytelling in the lster Granum region



THEMATIC VISION

By 2030 the water-related heritage sites of the Ister-Granum Euroregion will become tools for recuperating people's (including local people and visitors') relationship with water.

POLICY RELATED VISION

Integrated projects funded by SK-HU CBC 2021-27 having real cross-border character and territorial impact

RSQ analysis

heritage sites grouped into:

Face of water

Force of water

Spirit of water

Policy change No.1: Territorial analysis

% of the programme area of the Interreg Programme 2021-2027 in Hungary and Slovak Republic.

It suggests to have cultural heritage the 1st thematic objective of the Programme

PILOT - ACTION 1.

On the bases of the RSQ, additional water-related heritage sites, stories, legends, professions identified and promoted

Reserach conducted: online materilas overview, sites visited, interviews with local people

Contest organized: video promotes the contest, residnets of the region submit stories, legends, professions

Heritage inventory publication

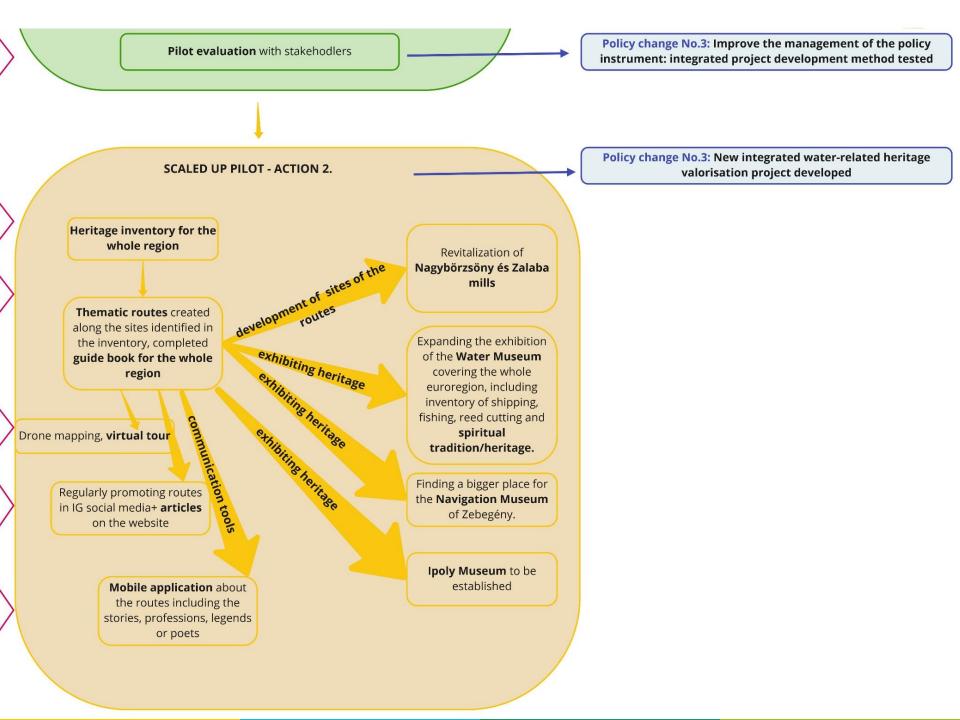
Videos about heritage related stories and professions

Thematic routes created along the sites identified in the inventory in a **guide book**

Pilot evaluation with stakehodlers

Policy change No.2: Implementation of existing project: videos produced in the pilot regularly published on the new website fo IG

Policy change No.3: Improve the management of the policy instrument: integrated project development method tested



Map of the water-related heritage sites of the region by RSQ







Result 1: Heritage inventory

- Inventory of all built heritage and water related legends, stories, occupations, traditions, events of 15 selected settlements
- Published in an online publication (study)
- Evaluation of these heritages providing bases for future project, actions, tourism developments
- Evaluation based on the presentation/availability of heritage sites/values:

Used tool: Personal interview, Online Contest

Result: Older people know occupations/legends better and they are more difficult to be reached by Facebook where the video was published – instead personal interviews

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Built heritage

Churches, chapels, crosses, statues, monuments, castles, mansions, castles, mills and settlement-specific values – having heritage value but not all water-related





Professions

Water related <u>professions</u> basically extincted:

millers, fishing, shipping, waterman/ferryman – memories collected but nobody actually practice them





Legends/ stories

Many <u>legends/stories</u> were discovered: miraculous property of springs, fairies living in River Danube, tunnels under the River Danube, treasure hunting under the River, love stories of local poets





Result 2: Videos

Traditional water-related <u>occupations</u> and water-related <u>legend</u>

- + heritage sites, and other interesting touristic or sacral sites
- + old and new developments
- + gastronomy
- + water related leisure and sport activities
- 1 video per settlement, ideas for grouping them: along River Ipoly or Szikince
- 10-15 min per video about 4-5 topics
- To be compact and not boring!



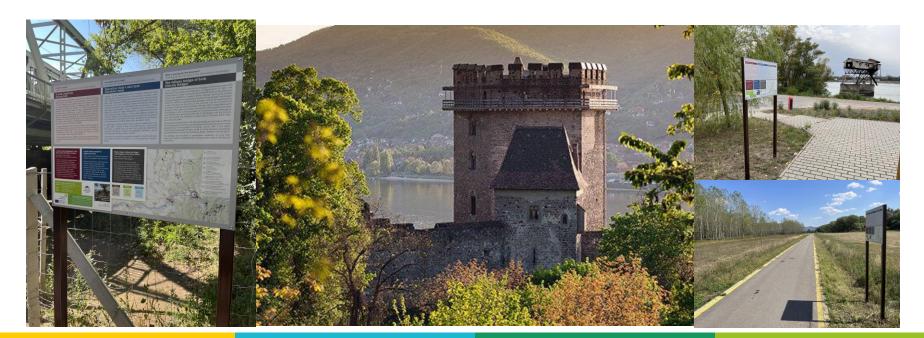




Result 3: Blue Routes (KékUtak) guide



- online publication (like the Blureroutes): sites of the 5 routes, maps, pictures, other visual elements
- route maps from the online guide leaflet format (also for bicycle)
- <u>information boards</u> sharing information from the guide (QR code)





Policy change

The pilot activities will be extended to all the 82 settlements of the region developing a new integrated water-related heritage valorisation project completed with investment-type of activities to renovate the heritage sites. The project will be submitted to the SK-HU CBC Programme 21-27 with the leadership of Ister-Granum EGTC and in partnership with the involved settlements.

According to the latest communication of the Managing Authority, the programme drafting including TAPE type measures will be finalised by September 2022 and the 1st calls will be launched in the January-February 2023. The approval of the submitted project proposals are expected until June 2023 the latest.

Thank you!

Questions welcome!

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