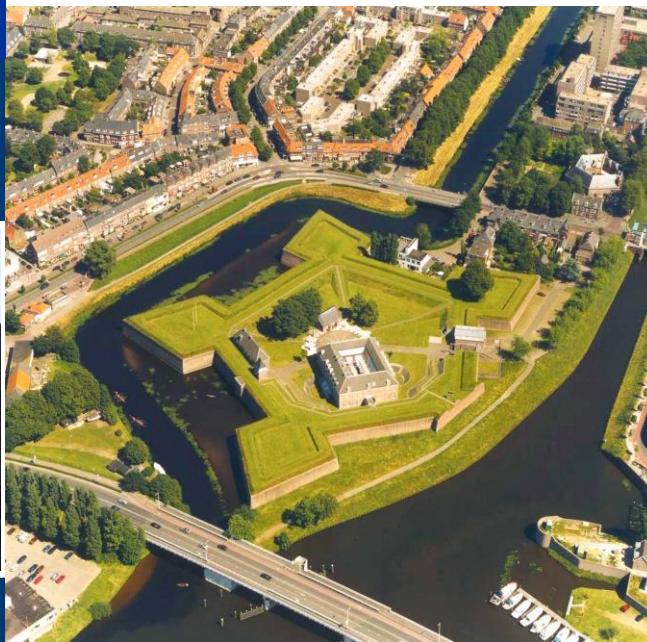
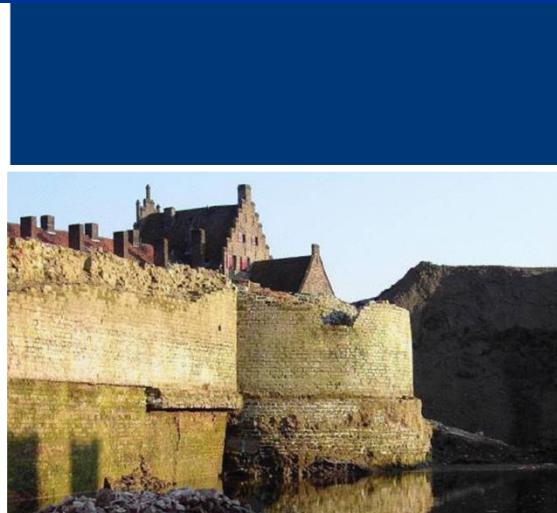




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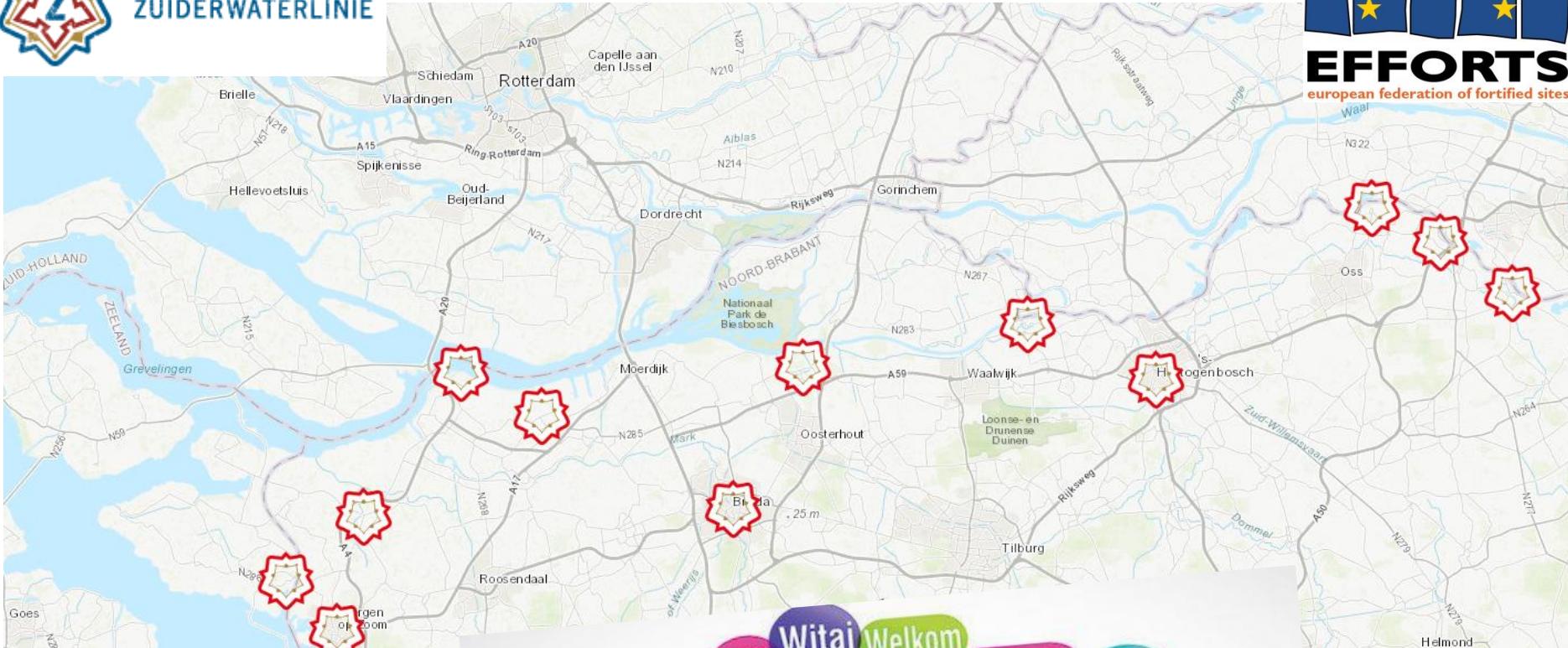
• EFFORTS Mission

To share expertise, promote cooperation and emphasize the significance of fortified heritage as a continuing connection to our common European history and as a condition for economic, spatial and social development.





ZUIDERWATERLINIE



- Bergen op Zoom
- Steenbergen
- Tholen
- Klundert
- Willemstad
- Breda
- Geertruidenberg
- 's-Hertogenbosch
- Heusden
- Megen
- Ravenstein
- Grave



EFFORTS -Forte Cultura Members network 2022 :

150 in 23 EU countries

- City of Antwerpen BE
- Citadel Antwerpen BE
- Oudenaarde BE
- Province West-Vlaanderen BE (Atlantikwall Europe)
- Regionale Landschappen BE
- Zoutleeuw BE
- War Heritage Institute BE
- Simon Stevinstichting VVC BE
- Stafort BE
- City of Namur BE
- Garderhøjfortet Copenhagen, DA
- Zitadelle Spandau Berlin DE
- European Cooperation Center DE
- Suomenlinna Governing Body FIN
- Hamina FIN
- Vauban Sites Association FR
- Association Espaces fortifiés H-d-France FR
- Fort de Seclin FR
- Cork County (2 members) IE
- Fondazione Forte Marghera IT
- Forte di Bard IT
- Fortezza / Frankenfeste IT
- ISAM IT
- Centro Studi Medfort IT
- Valle Alpino and Galla Placidia line IT
- Fortress of Culture Sibenik HR
- Fort Monostor HU
- Kaunas Fortress Regional Park LT
- Paola Heritage Foundation MA
- Herceg Novi MNE
- Bar MNE (2023)
- Bergen op Zoom NL (*presiding*)
- Oost Gelre NL
- Culemborg NL



- 's-Hertogenbosch NL
- Grave NL
- Heusden NL
- Other Zuiderwaterlinie cities (+9, NL)
- Hellevoetsluis / Voorne NL
- Maastricht NL
- Stichting Monumentenbezit - Vesting Naarden NL
- City of Venlo NL
- Olst-Wijhe (IJssellinie) NL
- Province of Utrecht (NHW) NL
- Stichting Menno van Coehoorn NL
- Stichting Liniebreed Ondernemen NL
- Forte Cultura (all 40 members, # EU member states)

+International Fortress Council (13 members, INT)

+EFFORTS Museum Council (5)

+EFFORTS / Forte Cultura Joint Scientific Committee, with EFFORTS Knowledge Center Forte Marghera and ICOFORTE (ICOMOS)

+ 20 Memberships across Europe (IT, PO, GR, ES, CH, UK, ...)

Memorandum of cooperation with Liberation Route Europe

• EFFORTS Tasks

Exchange of Knowledge + Development Networking

➤ **SUBJECT:** Heritage development (reuse, architecture, building & landscape elements), Restauration techniques, City marketing and Tourism, Education and Training, Environment and Sustainability, Mobility and Logistics, Cultural Routes, Community building, New European Bauhaus

- *European and national policy and networks*
- *Rules and regulations*
- *Funding, financing*
- *Network function*
- *Project coordination, project administration*
- *Cultural routes, tourism development, remembrance*



EFFORTS : European expert events

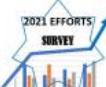


Workshop EFFORTS 'FORTIFICATIONS IMPACT'

The kick-off of the European Fortified Heritage Survey (FHIS)

Address : Jan Blanken Droogdok, Dokweg 5, Hellevoetsluis

Wednesday 7 July, 9h00-



This is a 'hybrid' workshop, both organised *in situ* (live) and online. Attending the workshop is free. Registration is required.

Register for 'live' or 'online' attendance at info@efforts-europe.eu

The number of 'live' participants is limited and will, for participants, be confirmed. Registrations will be automatically transformed in 'online' registrations if the Co

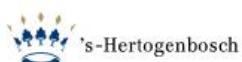
EFFORTS EUROPE Workshop **UNLOCKING THE PAST FOR SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

prov. date/time :
Wednesday 14 October 2020

9h30-11h30
(doors / registering online : 8h30)
Trierstraat/rue de Trèves 67, Brussels
(Metrostation 'Maalbeek')



EFFORTS is the European Federation of Fortified Sites
Please register for the free vc / live workshop at info@efforts-europe.eu by sending your name, title and name of your organisation.



This EFFORTS-EFPN workshop is a side event of the 2020 European Week of Regions and Cities



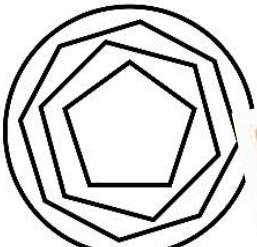
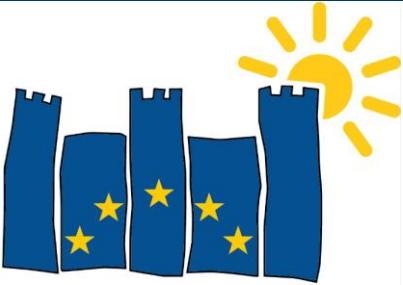
EFFORTS Tasks

Exchange of knowledge + Development Networking

- **THROUGH : PROJECTS, EVENTS and ON-DEMAND EXPERT WORKSHOPS on fortified heritage re-use and access**
 - EFFORTS European Knowledge Center @ Forte Marghera, Venice
 - FORTE CULTURA - EFFORTS Joint Scientific Cttee, with IFC, ICOFORT Europe
 - Communication b2b and network vector for the public: **European Fortress Summer** with *Night of the Fortresses*, *Fortress Festival*, *Fortenzomer*, ... + **EFFORTS AWARD**
- **JOIN EFFORTS Annual Congress (6-7/10 KAUNAS, LT)**



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Discovering the cities' fortresses in the summer of 2020





2023 : EFS European Night of Fortresses

Interreg - IPA CBC Croatia - Bosnia and Herzegovina - Montenegro
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Night of Fortresses
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Home Participants

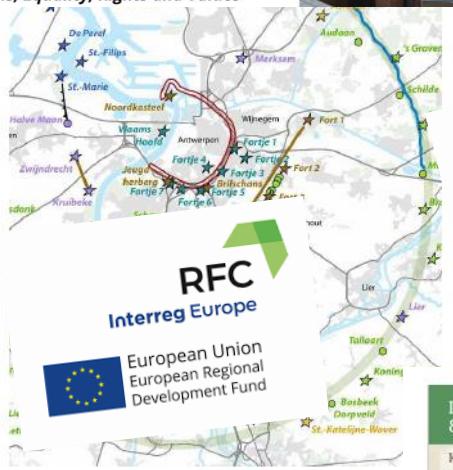


• Fortress connections, clusters, routes, projects

Join the **Forts / Unchained** project

Stories of forts, camps and persecution

EFFORTS Europe, together with Liberation Route Europe Foundation and the City of Bergen op Zoom (NL), on the occasion of the remembrance of the liberation of the city in October 1944, presents the call for a 2022 EU Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values



Beschrijving:

In de regio Anwerp, van Oost-Vlaanderen tot in de Kempen, liggen een 50-tal (herbestemde) versterkingen in wat nu de randgemeenten van Antwerpen zijn. Wat deze sites verenigen is een karakter. Het zijn groene ruimtes waar we kunnen wandelen, fietsen, sporten, rusten, ontspannen, spele en allemaal troeven om te leren van hun geschiedenis en te ontspannen. Het voorzag

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Rondje Geertruidenberg & Heusden (62 km)

Knooppunten

- Start: Hoek Stationweg/Walgang in Geertruidenberg
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- 70 9 23 1 20 22 24 27 5 4 64
- 65 63 1 2 vesting Heusden 85 64 60 58 59 7 2 36 75 13 48 20
- 1 23 41 40 44 42 20 vesting Geertruidenberg

Terug in de tijd!

Tijdens de zomermaanden kan je in Heusden en omgeving de Bergse Batterij in actie zien gekleed in authentieke kledij. Daarnaast organiseren zij om de vier jaar de Vestingfeestdagen, een spektakel waarbij de voorvervoering van de geschiedenis van de Spanjaarden wordt nagespeeld.



WELLINGTON BARRIER
European Boulevard

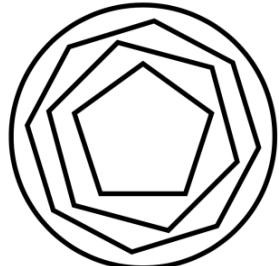
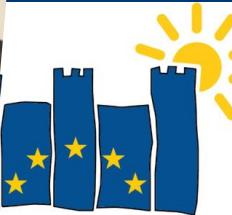
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Citizens, Equality, Rights and
Values programme



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Interreg - IPA CBC

Croatia - Bosnia and Herzegovina - Montenegro

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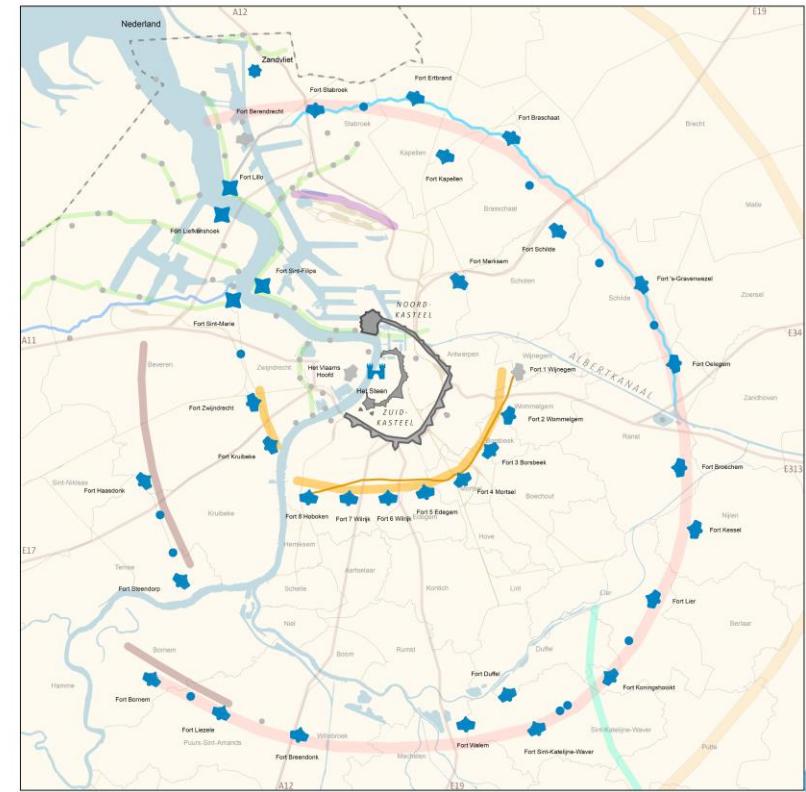
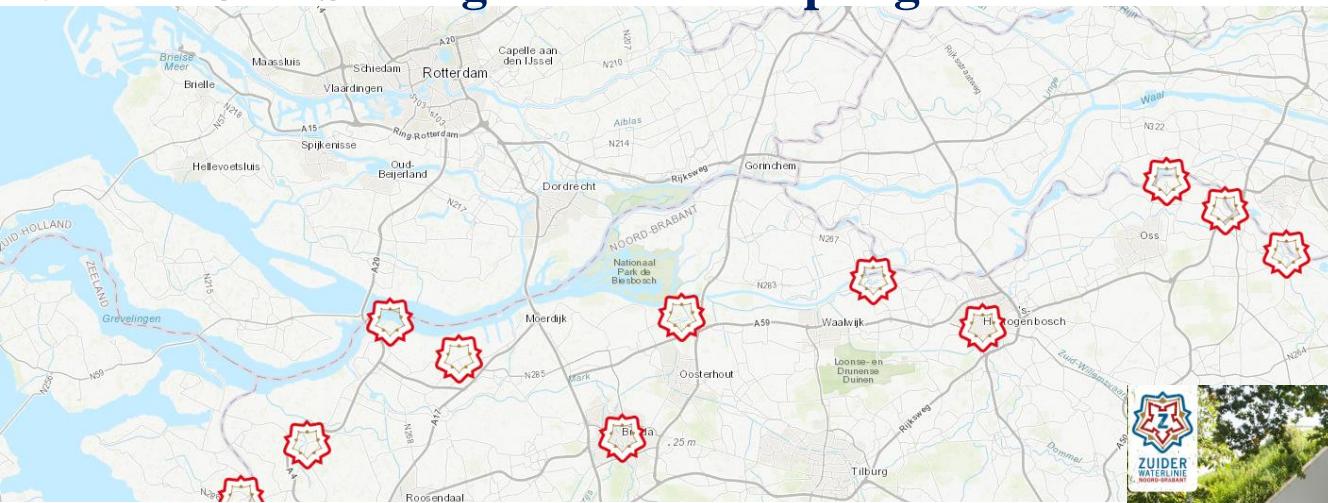
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EFFORTS : neigbours Antwerp region and Zuiderwaterlinie



Vesting Antwerpen

- Burcht - Steen**
- Versterkt dorp**
- Fort**
- Fort verdwenen**
- Gebastioneerd fort**
- Schans**
- Schans verdwenen**
- Spanische ommuring** (1542-1553)
- Brialmontomwalling** (1860-1864)
- Grote waterlopen**
- Anti-tankgracht**
- Parmavaart**
- Defensieve dijk Tachtigjarige Oorlog (1568-1648)**
- Veiligheidsomwalling Noord (1906-1914)**
- Brialmontgordel (1860 - 1882)**
- Krijgsbaan Brialmontforten (1860 - 1882)**
- Pantsergordel (1909-1914)**
- West- en Südabschnitt (1916-1917)**
- Koninghooft-Waverline (1939 - 1940)**
- Antwerp X luchtafweergordels (1944-1945)**

Colofon
Verantwoordelijke uitgever
Fortengordels VZW
Kaart en redactie
Stad Antwerpen dient archeologie
Fortengordels VZW



EFFORTS : ongoing actions for projects



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in all member countries and regions

- *European Fortress Summer* (for all fortified sites)
- *EFFORTS Goes Green* Network project
- *Balkan Adriatic region* (Interreg – Fortitude, Night of Fortresses)
- *Baltic* (European Capital of Culture 2022 Kaunas congress EFFORTS)
- *Bunkerlines* (Europe, with Belgium, Italy, Germany, Atlantikwall, ...)
- *Netherlands* (ZWL – VNV), Finland, Baltic, Italian national groupings
- *Via Hispania* (NL + BE-LUX-FR-ES-IT)
- *Netherlands* (regional and cross-border approach)
- *Forte Cultura* (cultural routes clusters and Council of Europe)
- *Dissonant Heritage*, + Liberation Route Europe Foundation:
'Forts/Unchained' EU CERV project proposal
- *EFFORTS - Ukraine Twinning Programme*
- *Interreg - Recapture the Fortress Cities, Antwerp region fortress belt*)
- *Interreg project idea Reviving the Fortress Regions* (35 partners interested)
- ...





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**Atlantikwall
Europe**

Shared Heritage
Shared Values

European Bunker Day

The most important activity of Atlantikwall Europe is the European Bunker Day, organised since 2018 in each Atlantic Wall country. This annual event offers visitors an opportunity to visit as many sites per country as they can with one ticket, and experience the heritage and the activities organised by the participating sites. At the same time visitors can enjoy the coastal landscape and the sea, or visit sites that are normally not accessible or open to the public.

Besides the opening of the memorial sites and museums, which are supported by common communication material, logo's, website and banners, each site is invited to combine its European Bunker Day activity with a (cultural) activity in order to underline the relevance of its heritage and the link with European values. For instance guided tours, walks, theatre, music, exhibitions, lectures, performances or conferences.

European Bunker Day is the main platform for the communication and activities about the Atlantic Wall. The power of the event is that common communication and marketing efforts can be directed to all participating sites. These become part of a European event with a corresponding look and feel, thus attracting more public than they normally would. On top of that, they become a partner of Atlantikwall Europe and thus a member of a European-wide network of Atlantic Wall sites and organisations. The partnership offers access to information and knowledge, and the possibility to participate in future activities during the Atlantikwall Europe project and thereafter.

For further details about participating in European Bunker Day, see:
www.atlantikwalleurope.eu/en/page/european-bunkerday

The Atlantikwall Europe projects seeks to promote the heritage of the Atlantic Wall as a source of inspiration for cooperation with cultural and educational partners, and to develop a sustainable network of Atlantic Wall heritage sites.

Atlantikwall is the German name for the 6.200 kilometres long defence line along the coast of Western Europe, stretching out from northern Norway to the border of Spain. The line was built between 1942 and 1945 to prevent an Allied invasion.

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EFFORTS: advocacy



Zuiderwaterlinie Liniemeeting & 6th EFFORTS congress
1 & 2 december 2021, Brussel

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear EFFORTS Members,
Dear members of the EFFORTS community,

At the end of a summer where we were happy to see that dozens of fortified heritage sites opened again to the public, I can say that we start the working year with renewed enthusiasm!

The winter was not spent idly at EFFORTS. More than 40 members and other participants joined the hybrid 7 July workshop on the Impact of European Heritage, as a step-up for the EFFORTS Heritage Impact Study, starting with the University of Venice and the EFFORTS Knowledge Platform. At the same time we presented the possibility to organise European cooperation in the field ports.

Summer months, EFFORTS also submitted to the European Commission its Creative Europe project 'EFFORTS Goes Green', a three year action plan on green and inclusive use of built



venice declaration

six propositions on the future of european fortified heritage post-2018

We, members and interested stakeholders of fortified heritage in Europe, believe that, at the end of the European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018, fortified heritage has an opportunity to make a positive contribution to several EU priorities and United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. The following six propositions are based on the outcomes of the declaration, and aim to demonstrate how they may demonstrate how to preserve European military architecture through active involvement of all stakeholders. They are based on the principles of respect for the past, relevance to the present and the future, respect for religious and industrial buildings, historic houses and all other built and archaeological European heritage.

Realising that the conceptual attitudes towards cultural heritage at European level are undergoing a fundamental transformation, from an approach focused on conservation to a focus on value and utilisation of heritage as an asset.

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creative industries can ensure integrated development of high-quality services. Fortified heritage can become an integral part of European creative industries. It offers the potential to build bridges between culture, tourism, innovation and education. The reuse of old fortifications for maintenance and development offer opportunities not only for a large range of local companies but also for larger professional companies but also for international ones. Fortified heritage triggers cross-industry links and reflects into other industrial sectors, such as construction, energy, food, tourism, arts and digital technologies. With innovative initiatives, fortified heritage presents an opportunity for job creation and multidisciplinary cooperation, becoming an extraordinary driver of sustainable social and economic development and a catalyst of creativity. Moreover, the restoration of old fortifications can bring significant benefits to the cultural and catering sectors for instance are suited for the influx of tourists and the attraction of younger generations or specific groups.

EFFORTS survey for fortified sites across Europe - preparation for Congress 2020 "THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPACT OF FORTIFIED HERITAGE: CRISIS RESILIENCE, PRESENT AND FUTURE"

Dear fortified heritage managers!

This survey is the first step towards a future quantitative study on the importance and the socio-economic value of each of the European countries' fortification heritage sector. Based on the respective EFFORTS Venice Declaration (2018) and Statement in Antwerp (2019), the results of this survey will be presented at the live-streamed 2020 ANNUAL EFFORTS CONGRESS. The results will then serve as the basis for the above-mentioned future European study, to be commanded after 2020.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL EU PROJECTS

EFFORTS is a European network organisation established in 2017 to share knowledge and practical experience on military heritage, such as walled towns, forts and defence areas. Today EFFORTS unites more than 50 European fortified sites and networks and is growing. Since 2018 EFFORTS has been a European organization of fortified sites. It is member of the Europa Nostra managed European Heritage Alliance 3.3. Our main mission is the structuring of European cooperation and keeping military fortified heritage on the European policy agenda. EFFORTS believes that European cooperation is the key to achieving its goals.

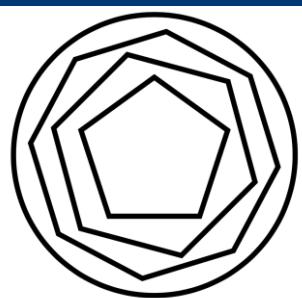
IMPORTANT: filling in this survey is a prerequisite, a condition, for the free participation to the EFFORTS congress 2020. More information about EFFORTS and its 19 November 2020 CONGRESS: www.efforts-europe.eu. Contact address: info@efforts-europe.eu

5. CULTURAL EU PROJECTS

economic growth and cultural development, cultural diversity and intercultural dialogue in a long-term perspective, of a strengthening and implementation of a global community good governance and a peaceful world.

► Europe's defence lines and shared fortification heritage are good examples of cross-border shared European heritage. Their present-day relevance can be underlined by shared art and cultural projects.

Example: Oost-Gelre (Netherlands) fortified Groote city bi-annual re-enactment event and link with Spanish-European heritage.



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➤ **EFFORTS - FORTE CULTURA Cooperation
ad Twinning Programme with Ukraine**

- **EFFORTS** will present a **special EFFORTS AWARD 2022** to the Ukrainian fortified heritage sites at the EFFORTS 2022 Kaunas Congress
- **Partners Twinning :**
 - Kostrzyn (PL) - Fort Medzybzh (UA)
 - 's-Hertogenbosch (NL) - City of Ivano-Frankivsk (UA)
 - Sibenik (HR) twinning - Pidhirsti bastion castle (UA)
 - Westwall Brand Denkmalschutz (DE)
 - Cork County (IE)
 - Ville de Namur (BE)
 - Herceg Novi (ME)
 - Fortress Study Group (UK)
 - ...
- **Actions by partners :**
 - 'Data safeguarding (BE) : member of European Competence Center for Cultural Heritage project 'Save the Ukraine Monuments' (<https://www.4ch-project.eu/sum/>)
 - Online workshop 28/6/22 Olha T., IHPAN (PL) / EFFORTS
 - Online conference participation EFFORTS 15/6/22
 - UA visit by EFFORTS, Forte Cultura (DE) and FSG
 - ...

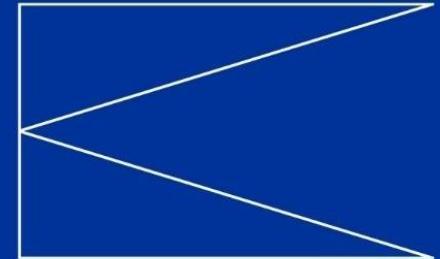


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ЗПУ – Збережемо пам'ятники України





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INITIATORS OF KAUNAS FORTRESS PARK:
Public institution Kaunas Fortress Park – To organize and implement the adaptation of modern public needs, thus utilizing the specific features of the Kaunas Fortress Park and its European society.

Administration: Kaunas Fortress Park, Lithuania – abandoned legacy of the fortress for many years, exhibitions, public clean-ups, and leading social projects were implemented in 2016.

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“Kaunas Garden” is a project for sustainable Kaunas Fortress Park, No. 4. Together here are creative ideas for the development of the park and enhance non-formal educational experiences. Initiative started taking shape in 2018.

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