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UNFORMATIONSHEET ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT «RIVER PROMENADES II» IN THE PERIOD 01.01.2012 - 31.12.2012

The project named "Development of historical riverside protection area in Narva/Estonia and Ivangorod/Russia II stage" or shortly "River promenades II" was approved by the Estonia-Latvia-Russia cross border cooperation Programme within European Neighborhood and Partnership instrument 2007-2013.

The grant-contract was signed on 17th January 2012. The project is being implemented by Estonian and Russian partners. The project lead partner is Narva Town Department for Development and Economy. The partner from the Russian side is Municipal Formation "Ivangorod Town". The total budget of the project, which will last till February 2014, is 1 742 338,67 euro. The programme is co-financing 90% of the total costs or 1 568 104,80 euro. The co-financing of the partners makes 10% or 174 233,87 euro.

The overall objective of the project is integrated construction and improvement of the historical promenade areas in Narva/Estonia and Ivangorod/Russia and conversion of the CBC area into attractive place as united tourist destination.

As the result of the project there will be reconstructed the upper level in Pimeaed (Dark Garden) Park with total area 4 700 m2, situated in Narva. Precisely the building works will take place on the part starting from the Hahn staircase till the fountain, and the road along the park territory. On Ivangorod side there will be built the part of the river promenade with total area 3570 m2 located to the north of the fortress and thematically meant for Fisher market.

Apart from building of the promenades, the project also foresees the promotion activities for tourist products "Historical riverside promenades". The various promotion and fund-raising activities are planned via Mass Media and FAM trips to the journalists, tour operators and potential investors from both Russian and Estonian sides.

RESULTS ACIEVED IN 2012

Project management and coordination

To more effectively achieve the project's objectives, the project partners' duties and responsibilities were defined at the beginning of the project implementation. In order to monitor the construction works in Narva, there was created the working group with participation of representatives from Narva Municipality, building company and supervising company.

The similar working group was also created in Ivangorod. It monitors the terms and quality of the implemented project's activities during all project period. The members of the working group participate in the working meetings; give consultations about Estonian and Russian legislation and information about the Programme rules and requirements.





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On 29th of February 2012 the project kick-off meeting took place in Narva. The partners discussed the partnership agreement, developed the systems for project management and monitoring, and approved the Steering Committee structure.



Mayor of Narva, Tarmo Tammiste, wishes the good start to the project

During the year 2012 there were totally held 2 common meetings with participation of Narva and Ivangorod project team members, 34 working meetings with Narva team members and 12 working meetings with Ivangorod team members. There were also additionally held meetings to discuss the construction process, totally 14 meetings in Narva and 4 in Ivangorod.



Project partners' common meeting in Ivangorod, 26.10.2012

On 21st of September, 2012 European Cooperation Day organized by the project team was held in Narva. During the week from 17 to 23 September, more than 100 public events took place all over Europe in order to support cooperation and development of friendly relations.





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In the framework of European Cooperation Day various events took place simultaneously in two cities in the border region of Narva - Ivangorod: paper ship floating along the Narva River, launch of balloons and soap bubbles. In the evening an installation called "Linking Fires" will be launched in the framework of the project "Complex reconstruction border crossing points in Ivangorod and in Narva" led by the Estonian Ministry of the Interior.





21.09.12, launch of air balloons: Narva Castle and Ivangorod Fortress

Information and visibility

Press-releases and other information concerning the project implementation process was developed and published in Mass Media in Estonia and Russia to inform the wider public about the project activities. There were also held several press-conferences.

On 29th of February the press-conference dedicated to the beginning of the project was held in Narva.





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On 21st of September the press-conference in the framework of European Cooperation Day was organized in Narva Castle.

On 26th of October the press-conference to announce the results of the second project partners' common meeting was held in Ivangorod.

On 31st of October around 160 participants - representatives of various projects financed by the Programme - attended an Annual Event of the Estonia-Latvia-Russia CBC Programme, which took place in Narva.

There were totally developed 5 press-releases from Narva side. The articles were published in Internet and in local press. Total number of disseminated items with the information concerning project activities made about 66 000. Apart from publications, there was also developed presentation about the project, performed on the kick-off meeting, and made report on the Estonian radio station.

In Ivangorod there were developed and published 3 press-releases in Russian Mass Media. The total number of dissemination channels is 4.

The information about the project, photos and current news are published on the partner project EstRusFortTour web-site: http://www.forttour.net/stage2_eng.html.

The article about projects, being implemented in the framework of Estonia-Latvia-Russia cross border cooperation Programme within European Neighborhood and Partnership instrument 2007-2013, including project "River Promenades II" was published in November edition of international magazine "Baltic Cities Bulletin".

Totally about 750 000 readers of local and regional media and about 180 000 radio listeners have got the information about the project.

Construction of Narva riverside promenade

On 30th of Aprill the Call for construction works in Narva was announced. The works included the reconstruction and landscaping of the riverside (Kaldapealne) garden and roadside alley in the Dark Garden, including lighting and drainage works.

The public procurement procedure was held in summer 2012. The winning proposal was common proposal of two companies Sinear OÜ and Kolmeti OÜ. The contract for construction works was concluded on 10.08.2012 with the company Sinear OÜ. The total sum of the contract made 450 429,94 euros.

In the framework of construction, the following works had to be done: change of pedestrian roads covering, laying cable and setting the street lightening, building of drainage system and shower sewerage system, planting and landscaping, including bins, benches and flowerpots. Building and landscaping works will be finished in October 2013.

In September 2012 the information panel, announcing the construction works on the territory of the dark Garden, was placed.





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In 2012 in the framework of the contract there were liquidated 10 damaged trees, fence and cornices of the walls cleaned from the grass, 46,8 meters of rainwaters drainage built, 2,7-meters canalization pipe and shower waters' pipe placed, 73-meters drainage system built and cable placed.









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Construction of Ivangorod riverside promenade

On 4th of June, 2012 Administration of "MF "City Ivangorod" posted on the website www.zakupki.gov.ru a notice of public auction in electronic form to the right of signing a municipal contract to perform works on the construction of the first stage of the historic riverside area of Ivangorod with length 119 meters.

The auction took place on 28th of August 2012. The initial (maximum) contract price was 38 910 036.43 rubles. At the end of the auction the initial (maximum) contract price has been lowered to 31 128 029.17 rubles. A commission for placing orders for goods, works and services for municipal purposes of MF "City Ivangorod" made a decision on signing a municipal contract to perform construction works with OOO "Miro Group", general Director - Matevosov A. S.

Municipal contract was signed on 11th of September, 2012. According to the contract the starting date of works is September 17, 2012, and the end of construction works is March 12, 2014.

According to the Program conditions the information panel is set on the construction territory.



So far the following works have been implemented: land prepared for the construction works, including: implementation of the removal of boats from the coastal territory, removal of garages and light buildings from the coastal territory, temporary power network connected, dismantling of the existing quay wall length of 60 meters and a volume of 87 cubic meters, 952 meters territory planning made; drilling for piling in the amount of 170 piles made, 162 piles have been already loaded.





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Also in the area of construction the following works have been done: concreting piles works, warming of concreted piles, planning works on the place needed for grills and access road, production of reinforcement cages and metal structures (work carried out on the basis of the construction contractor)

The implementation of the construction is proceeding according to planned activities

Promotion and fund-raising of tourist products "Historical riverside promenades"

The working group with participation of representatives from both Narva and Ivangorod project partners and Municipalities has been created to enforce the activities of the V Activity Package. In March 2013 it is planned to announce the Call for Sub-contracting company, which will provide partners with practical recommendations of how to apply to programmes, funds and private investors for funding and develops an application for funding.

Information about the Programme:

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Totally to the 1st Call of Proposals there were submitted 226 projects, only 25 of them were approved and got co-financing, including «River promenades II»».