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Cultural sustainability in sparsely populated areas
with added community values



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Baltic cultural activities with added community values

6-day study visit to Lithuania and Latvia
Monday, 11th – Saturday, 16th October 2021



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The study visit will be supported by the Danish National Agency of the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union

1. The frame

Study visit title

Baltic cultural activities with added community values

Time and places

The 6-day study visit takes place from Monday to Saturday, 11th – 16th of October 2021 evening with visits to the Open Air ethnographic museum in Rumšiškės; Third Age University in Vilnius, the Museum of Occupations and Freedom Fights in Vilnius; the Liubavas Manor and Europe Sculpture Park outside Vilnius; and Rite Folk High School in Latvia.

Context

The study visit is part of the Erasmus+ Mobility project. “Cultural sustainability in sparsely populated areas with added community values” that takes place July 2019 – Dec 2021.

The mobilities are arranged by Interfolk in cooperation with Kulturelle Samråd i Danmark og Musisk Center Danmark.

2. Summary of the Erasmus+ mobility plan

Aim and objectives

The overall aim for the Mobility Consortium is to strengthen the interest for and engagement in European contacts, exchange of experiences and cooperation in the Danish cross-cultural sector of amateur arts, voluntary culture and heritage.

The objective of the mobility project is to support and promote cross-cultural activities in sparsely populated areas with added community values, especially by strengthening the “citizen help citizen” approach, where voluntary culture associations can help to provide available and involving arts and culture activities with an added value for civic participation, community bonding and local identity.

Number and profile of participants

The target groups are staff and volunteers from the network of Interfolk and MCD; and they can include managers, board members, consultants, instructors, teachers, and other paid and voluntary learning facilitators.

Expected results and benefits

We expect the participants and their associations:

- In general, will strengthen their interest for and engagement in European contacts, exchange of experiences and cooperation.
- Especially will be more engaged and skilled in supporting cross-cultural activities in the sparsely populated areas with added values for civic participation, community bonding and local identity.
- A long-term impact should be a strengthen engagement in European cooperation and a stronger societal profile of the culture activities, where they to a higher degree meet the key aims of lifelong learning, like active citizenship, social inclusion and cultural cohesion.

Tour leader and contact person

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3. Programme for the Baltic Study visit

Period:

A 6-days trip from Monday to Saturday, 11th – 16th October 2021
 with direct flight from Copenhagen to Vilnius Airport, 11th October: 12:50 – 15:20 (1t. 30min.)
 and direct home flight from Vilnius to Copenhagen Airport, 16th October: 15:45 – 16:15 (1t. 30 min)
 (the Baltic states are 1 hour ahead of CET / Danish time)

We rent a minibus in Vilnius airport for the round trip and deliver it again in Vilnius airport.

The day-to-day programme

Monday, 11th Oct

15:20 Arrival to Vilnius airport,
 16:00 Rent Minibus at Sixt - leave airport
 16:30 Check in at [Artis Centrum Hotels](http://www.artiscentrumhotels.com), Totoriu str. 23, Vilnius, LT-01120, Litauen
 18:30 Dinner at hotel or in the city
 19:30 Free evening walk to Cathedral Square

Tuesday, 12th Oct

Visit to The Open-Air Museum of Lithuania, J. Aisčio g. 2, LT-56335 Rumšiškės / www.llbm.lt/

09:00 Leave hotel (1H 20 min drive to OAM)
 10:30 Intro to Open Air Museum
 11:00 Guided tour at the museum
 12:30 Lunch
 13:15 Guided tour to the Exile and Resistance place,
 14:30 Farewell
 16:00 Back at hotel

Wednesday, 13th oct

Free option – visit Occupation Museum, Aukų g. 2A, LT-01113 Vilnius / <http://genocid.lt/muziejus/en/>
 In afternoon - Visit to Third Age University in Vilnius, Studentų g. 39, 08106 Vilnius / www.mctau.lt/

09:45 Walk to the Occupation Museum (15 min walk)
 10:00 Visit the Occupation Museum
 11:30 Lunch somewhere
 12:40 Leave hotel by minibus
 13:00 Visit Third Age University
 16:00 Farewell
 16:15 Back at hotel

Thursday, 14th oct

Visit The Lithuanian Manors Association, Liubavo k., Vilniaus r. LT-15143 LITHUANIA / www.dvarai.lt
And Liubavas Manor & The Europe Sculpture Park / www.liubavas.lt & www.europosparkas.lt

Visit Rite Folk High School, Rites pagasts, Viesites novads, Latvia, LV-5228 / <https://ritestautskola.org/>

- 09:00 Check-out from hotel
- 09:30 Leave hotel (15 min drive to Liubavas Manor)
- 10:00 Guided tour at Liubavas Manor
- 10:45 Drive to Europos Parkas
- 11:00 Introduction to the Lithuanian Manor Association At Europos parkas
- 11:45 Guided tour at the sculpture park
- 12:45 Lunch at Europos parkas
- 13:30 Farewell and drive to Rite Folk High School (2h and 30 min direct drive plus 2 coffee breaks)
- 17:15 Check-in at Rite Folk High School
- 19:00 Dinner at Rite Folk High School
- 20:30 Introduction to Rite Folk High School, by Niels Bendix and Lis Hasel, principals

Friday, 15th Oct

08.00 – 9:00 Breakfast

- 10.00 Visit to ceramicist Zanda Ragele in Nereta
- 11.00 Visit to new small museum in Nereta. The renovation has taken place via EU funds.
It is run in part by volunteers. Leader Lidija Ozolina
- 12.30 Lunch at cafe "The green seed" in Viesite
- 14.00 Visit to a "cross border" project between Viesite and Rosiskis in Lithuania. In Viesite, a tourist information center has been built with a small museum, a work workshop for a group of women, outdoor gathering place and a railway museum for the narrow-gauge railway,
On the way home we drive into a local inn where we can experience the life of the people!
- 18.30 Festive Dinner with those from the board who can come and some participants from the winter English course.

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Saturday, 16th Oct

08.00 - 09.00 Breakfast

- 09:30 Farewell and drive to Vilnius Airport (2h and 50 min direct drive)
- 13:00 Drop-off the minibus at Sixt at Vilnius Airport
- 13:30 Check-in at SAS to the flight SK 1743 (Departure 15:45 and arrival 16:15 Danish time)

4. Practical information

Price

The study visit is free. The mobility grant can cover the travel costs, beds and meals as well as the study programme and fee for the hosts.

The participants shall only bring pocket money to cover their possible café visits in the free time, extra drinks during the common meals, costs of souvenirs, presents, etc.

Travel and accommodation

The tour leaders will book the flights and hotels and reserve the meals in cooperation with the hosts of the programme.

We stay from Monday to Thursday at [Artis Centrum Hotels](#), Totoriu str. 23, Vilnius, LT-01120, Litauen, And from Thursday to Saturday at [Rite Folk High School](#), Rites pagasts, Viesites novads, Latvia, LV-5228

5. Photos

Tuesday: Open Air Museum in Rumšiškės



Wednesday: Old city centre in Vilnius & Vilnius Cathedral



Wednesday: Craft group and art teacher at Third Age university in Vilnius



Thursday: Liubavas Manor & Europe Sculpture park





Friday - Saturday: Rite Folk High School

