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Applicable to the Strand 2 - Measure 2.2 "Networks of Towns"

6 events have been carried out within this project:

Event 1, Kick off meeting in Hijar, July 9 to 11, 2019

Participation: The event involved 25 citizens: 12 of them representing project partners forming the Steering Group, including 4 participants from the city of Híjar (Spain), 1 from the city of London (UK), 1 from the city of Worms (Germany), 3 from the city of Krakow (Poland), 1 from the city of Mantova (Italy) and 2 from the city of Wroclaw (Poland). Up to 13 other people participated in the academic and cultural activities organized to frame the kick off discussions, including: 2 participants from the city of Híjar, 1 participant from the city of Albalate del Arzobispo, 1 participant from the city of Calatayud, 1 participant from the city of Madrid, 6 participants from the city of Zaragoza, all of them from Spain.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Híjar, (Spain) from July 9 to July 11, 2019

Short description: The event was a 2 and a half-day meeting in Híjar to formally constitute the steering group committee and to set up the basis of the Project coordination. The working sessions established a roadmap for the Project and focused essentially on the Project's conceptualization and framework, the organization of the five thematic seminars to follow, the Project's operations and planning and the communication strategies. The kick off meeting included an opening lecture about Jewish Heritage in Spain, and several visits to significant Jewish Heritage sites in Híjar and the region, with the participation of relevant institutional representatives, archaeologists, historians and volunteers who promote Jewish Heritage recovery in the region.

Event 2, Seminar in Worms, November 18 to 19, 2019

Participation: The event involved 40 citizens, including 1 participant from the city of Hijar (Spain), 4 participants from the City of Worms (Germany), 4 participants from the city of Mainz (Germany, belongs to SchUM-Cities that organized the Seminar), several participants from neighboring cities to Worms, such as Wiesbaden (3 participants), Frankfurt (2 participants) and even some participants from cities far away from Worms, such as Ingolstadt (Germany) and Berlin / (Germany) as well as Halberstadt (Germany). In addition, there were 2 participants from Wroclaw (Poland), 2 participants from the city of Krakow (Poland) and 1 participant from Rome and 1 from the city of Mantova (Italy).

Location / Dates: The event took place in Worms (Germany), from 18/11/2019 to 19/11/2019

Short description: The aim of the event was to focus on the **involvement of young people in the preservation of Jewish heritage**. Over 40 experts from Germany and abroad had traveled to the seminar, representing various Towns and Institutions - stakeholders in matters of education. The seminar focused on innovative activities. To inspire and reach young people is important, because it is about the history of the European past, but also about the European future. According to one conclusion, the Jewish community must be represented in its diversity and Jews must be presented as active, acting individuals. Textbooks, it turned out, are often very scarce in their representations. Therefore, materials that can be used in addition to the curricula are important.

Event 3, Seminar in Wroclaw, February 9 to 11, 2020

Participation: The event involved over 50 citizens, including 2 participants from the city of Hijar (Spain), 1 participant from the City of Worms (Germany), 1 participant from the city of Halberstadt (Germany), 1 participant from the city of Berlin (Germany), and 1 participant from the city of Mantova (Italy). In addition, there were participants from several towns and cities in Poland, including: Warsaw - 2 participants, Krakow - 2 participants, Oława - 3 participants, Zagórów - 1 participant, Namysłów - 1 participant, Wińsko - 2 participants, and over 20 participants from the host city of Wroclaw (Poland)

Location / Dates: The event took place in Wroclaw (Poland), from 09/02/2020 to 11/02/2020

Short description: The aim of the event was to consider the connections between the **Jewish heritage and local community engagement**. The Seminar created the opportunity to identify the possibilities, outline problems and evaluate solutions in this matter. The sessions were dedicated to the review of case studies and the analysis of good practices developed in the local communities in Poland and other countries. The discussions and presentations were followed by the study visits to Jewish Heritage sites in Wroclaw.

Event 4, Seminar in Mantova, May 11 to 12, 2021

Participation: The online event involved 38 citizens, including 2 participants from the city of Hijar (Spain), 1 participant from the City of Worms (Germany), 1 participant from the city of Halberstadt (Germany), 2 participants from the city of Krakow (Poland), 2 participants from the city of Wroclaw (Poland), and 2 participants from the city of Jerusalem (Israel), 1 participant from the city of Warsaw (Poland), 1 participant from the city of Bardejov (Slovakia), 1 participant from the city of Vilnius (Lithuania). In addition, there were participants from several towns and cities in Italy, including: Rome - 2 participants, Milan -1 participant, Florence - 2 participants and Mantova - 3 participants.

Location / Dates: The online event was organized by the Project partner in **Mantova (Italy)**, from 11/05/2021 to 12/05/2021

Short description: The aim of the Thematic Seminar was to focus on "**Adaptive reuse of former Jewish heritage buildings**", dealing with aspects related to recovering and reusing of Jewish religious real estate assets. The online event gave the opportunity to exchange views and evaluate case studies in the area of Jewish heritage Architecture. The opening session was introduced by a narrated concert, music by Salomone Rossi Mantovano, followed by official greetings and a keynote presentation. The Seminar working sessions on the second day were divided into two blocks. The morning session concentrated on case studies from Italy, such as: cemetery, disused synagogues and memorial in an archeological site. The correct process necessary to evaluate each recovery was exemplified. The final session was dedicated to case studies from outside Italy: Poland, Germany, Lithuania and Slovakia.

Event 5, Seminar in Krakow, October 25, 2021

Participation: The online event involved 35 citizens, including 2 participants from the city of Hijar (Spain), 1 participant from the City of Worms (Germany), 1 participant from the city of Florence (Italy), 1 participant from the city of Rome (Italy), 1 participant from the city of Mantova (Italy), and 1 participant from the city of Jerusalem (Israel). In addition, there were participants from several towns and cities in Poland, including: Warsaw - 3 participants, Lublin - 2 participants, Biecz - 3 participants, and over 15 participants from the host city of Krakow (Poland).

Location / Dates: The online event was organized by the Project partner in **Krakow (Poland)**, from 25/11/2021 to 25/11/2021

Short description: The aim of the event was to focus on "**Intangible Jewish Heritage**", dealing with aspects related to preservation, interpretation and celebration of this specific type of heritage. The online event gave the opportunity, through the case studies, to consider problems and discuss possible solutions in the area of Jewish heritage in the local context. The morning session was concentrated on the different meanings of the notion of Intangible Jewish Heritage and the role of Museums in this matter. The presentations evaluated both good practices and lessons to be learned. The second session was dedicated to the review of case studies and the analysis of cultural events/ festivals as a form of Intangible Heritage celebration. Prior to Seminar a meeting of the Project Steering Group was held in Krakow.

Event 6, Seminar in London, December 1, 2021

Participation: The online event involved 32 citizens, including 1 participant from the City of Worms (Germany), 1 participant from the city of Florence (Italy), 2 participants from the city of Hijar (Spain),1 participant from the city of Padova (Italy), 1 participant from the city of Mantova (Italy), and 1 participant from the city of Jerusalem (Israel), 2 participants from the city of Krakow (Poland), 2 participants from the city of Wroclaw (Poland), 2 participants from the city of Izmir (Turkey). In addition, there were 5 participants from the city of London (United Kingdom) and 2 from the city of Johannesburg (RSA).

Location / Dates: The online event was organized by the Project partner in **London** (**United Kingdom**), from 01/12/2021 to 01/12/2021

Short description: The aim of the event was to focus on "Jewish Heritage Tourism", with different aspects related to this specific type of tourism. The online Seminar gave the opportunity, through keynote presentations and case studies, to learn and identify the possibilities, outline problems and evaluate solutions in the area of tourism connected with Jewish Heritage in the local context. The Seminar working sessions were divided into two blocks. The morning session began with a review of the notion of Jewish Heritage Tourism and related to the ongoing impact of covid, followed by presentations on models of educational tourism in Holocaust affected countries. The afternoon session started with a presentation on new thinking in heritage tourism as reflected in the Venice experience, followed by heritage tourism case studies from several countries including Turkey, Republic of South Africa and England, concluding with a review of the impact and possibilities of the digital revolution. The presentations evaluated both good practices and lessons to be learned.