

Work package I

Support for documentation, inventarisaton and data collection on Baltic fortification to record and protect the cultural heritage and prepare for cultural and tourist utilisation.

For the first time in Europe, 4 universities are embarking on trans-national scientific cooperation on Baltic fortifications:

- European University – Viadrina Frankfurt/Oder
- Humboldt University, Berlin
- Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas
- Kaunas University of Technology



Together they will develop

- a central database "Trans-national Information System" for fortifications (TIS)
- a special institution for scientific research into fortresses and a Trans-national Documentation and Inventory Centre on Fortresses (TDICF), to be situated at the Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania

Work package II

Development of trans-national cooperation on restoration for future civil, monument-compatible utilization and culture and tourism for Baltic Fortresses

The aim is

- to promote restoration, reconstruction, monument protection and knowledge transfer and best practices
- to improve scientific support, including the formation of a special consultation centre for fortress development at Kaunas University of Technology, Institute of Architecture and Construction and of nature management at the Humboldt-University, Berlin
- trans-national cooperation to protect and develop nature associated with fortresses as attractive parks and gardens



Work package III

A compatible heritage development and economic utilization of fortresses and the formation of management organizations for quality tourist facilities

The project will improve the attractions of cultural and tourist facilities at fortifications.

It will assist with the conversion of military buildings into civic centres of culture, art, leisure and events, helping to foster trans-national exchange of experiences, especially in the management of fortifications. The results will be published in "Best Practices for Management Organization of Fortresses".



Work package IV

Joint development of a new cultural route "Baltic Fortress Culture and Tourism Route" as a model for fortress tourism in the Baltic Sea Region.

The project will promote trans-national cooperation to create a new quality tourist product. It will introduce new quality of marketing and mobilize economic efforts for fortresses by increasing the intensity of travel and the numbers of persons visiting monuments.

The concept of effective strategic marketing will focus on broadening the network and the tourism route throughout Europe.



For thousands of years man has built fortresses for his protection. Exciting military architecture has been developed in recent centuries that belongs both to the World and to the European Cultural Heritage. Many of these fortifications were in military use until the end of the Cold War. They are extensively damaged.

Under the EU funding project "Baltic Culture and Tourism Route Fortresses" – The Baltic Fort Route – 19 partners from 4 nations are seeking to promote the transformation of historical fortifications into centres of culture, art, leisure, tourism and fascinating nature, in line with the philosophy "From war to peace", "From closed mystery locations to public living space" and "From military to cultural".

The initial project has the following as its main targets:

- to develop a tourist route within the Baltic Sea Region, to be extended throughout the region and linking to other European regions in the future
- the development of the tourist infrastructure and attractive tourist facilities in fortresses in the Baltic Sea Region
- to start up trans-national cooperation and the exchange of experience in reconstruction, renovation, monument protection and nature management of fortifications to rescue the cultural heritage
- to promote trans-national scientific cooperation in the Baltic Sea Region for research into history and construction methods, inventoring and consultation

Contact:

City of Kostrzyn, Lead Partner
Mrs. Agnieszka Zurawska-Tatala
Tel.: +48 (095) -727-81-24
Fax: +48 (095) -727-81-93
Mail: zurawska@kostrzyn.um.gov.pl



Kick-off-meeting 2005

Project coordination:

Hartmut Röder
Dr. Hans-Rudolf Neumann
Agnieszka Zurawska-Tatala

Publisher:
City of Kostrzyn, Lead Partner

Print: Wydawnictwo „TRIADA”
Tel.: +48 32 267 71 73

Project information: www.bfr.pl

Designed and edited by:
GKU Standortentwicklung GmbH, Berlin



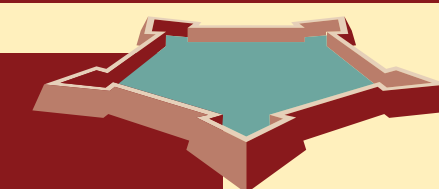
This project is part-financed by the European Union (European Regional Development Fund) within the BSR INTERREG III B programme



Baltic Cultural and Tourism Route Fortresses

Trans-national Cooperation Project on Fortifications and Scientific Institutions

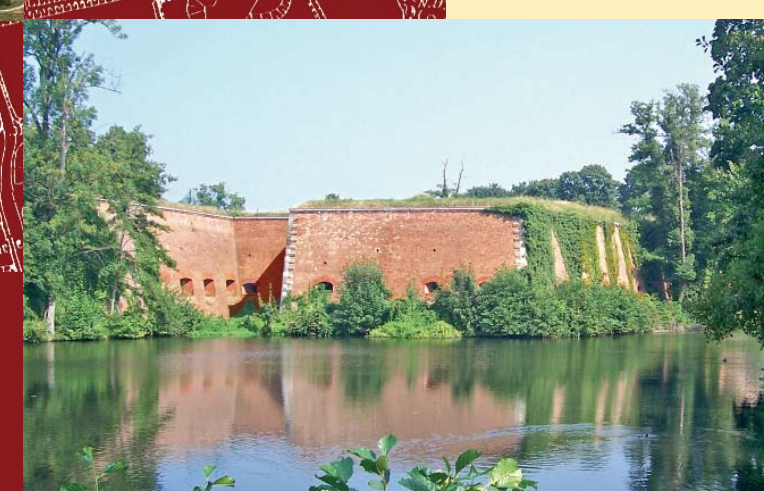
Baltic Fort Route

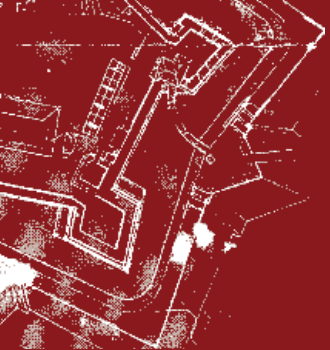


Germany
Poland
Lithuania
Russia



Culture Route
Monument protection
Nature management
Utilization concepts





Fortification Town partners:

The Baltic Sea Region is well equipped with important military architecture and history. The fortifications have had an impact on the region's political, economic, social and urban development. Today they are a valuable cultural heritage.

14 fortified sites and 5 universities will cooperate on monument protection and the promotion of fortresses on the tourist market.

The „Baltic Fort Route“ introduces a new cultural route with a number of attractive historical locations as a first step to its being extended throughout the Baltic Sea Region.

The trans-national tourism network helps to maintain and develop fortifications as an object of mystery.

Fortifications in Project Baltic Fort Route and in Europe



Kostrzyn nad Odra – Fortress Küstrin
Municipality of Kostrzyn nad Odra
Urząd Miejski w Kostrzynie nad Odrą
www.kostrzyn.um.gov.pl



Dömitz – Fortress
Municipality of Dömitz
Stadt Dömitz über Amt Dömitz-Malliß
www.doemitz.de



Berlin – Spandau – Citadel
Department Spandau of Berlin (Citadel of Spandau)
Bezirk Spandau von Berlin (Zitadelle Spandau)
www.zitadelle-spandau.de



Berlin – Spandau – Fort Hahneberg
Department Spandau of Berlin (Fort Hahneberg)
Bezirk Spandau von Berlin (Fort Hahneberg)
www.zitadelle-spandau.de



Peitz – Fortress
Association Museum of City Peitz
Förderverein für die Museen der Stadt Peitz e.V.
www.museumsverein-peitz.de



Gorgast – Fortress Küstrin
Association „Fort Gorgast“ e.V.
www.fort-gorgast.de



Kolobrzeg – Fortresses
Municipality of Kolobrzeg
Urząd Miejski w Kolobrzegu
www.kolobrzeg.pl



Gdansk – Fort Grodzisko
Culture Park of City Fortifications, Fortress Gdansk
Park Kulturowy Fortyfikacji Miejskich „Twierdza Gdansk”
www.grodzisko.pl



Gdansk – Fortress in Vistulamouth
Historical Museum of Gdansk
Muzeum Historyczne Miasta Gdanska
www.mhmg.gda.pl



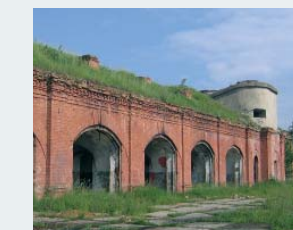
Nowy Dwor Mazowiecki – Fortress Modlin
Municipality of Nowy Dwor Mazowiecki
Urząd Miejski Nowy Dwor Mazowiecki
www.nowydwormaz.pl



Gizycko – Fortress Boyen
Municipality of Gizycko
Urząd Miejski w Gizycku
www.gizycko.pl



Swinoujscie – Fortresses
Municipality of City Swinoujscie
Urząd Miasta Swinoujscie
www.swinoujscie.pl



Kaunas – Fortress
Municipality of City Kaunas
Kauno Miesto Savivaldybe Administracija
www.kaunas.lt



Kaliningrad – Fortress
Kaliningrad Oblast Administration
www.gov.kaliningrad.ru



Scientific partners:

European University – Viadrina Frankfurt / Oder
Europa Universität Viadrina Frankfurt / Oder
R.S. Dornbusch, M.A.
www.ziw.eu-frankfurt-o.de/sek/



Humboldt-University at Berlin
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Dr. F. Riesbeck
www.agrar.hu-berlin.de



Immanuel Kant
State University of Russia
Dr. E. Kropinova
www.albertina.ru



Vytautas Magnus
University Kaunas
Dr. V. Rakutis
www.vdu.lt



Kaunas University of Technology,
Institute of Architecture and Construction
Dr. K. Zaleckis
www.asi.lt

