

December, 2020 NEWS FROM THE RAIL

The RAILtoLAND project's newsletter

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SHORT REPORT ON THE 2ND SEMESTER ACTIVITIES

As it was predictable, the COVID-19 crisis deeply influenced 2020 activities, making it necessary to re-structure the project schedule. However, Partners did not stop their work, carrying out the registration of the lessons for the **Micromaster** (IO1) and the **recording of the Oporto-Vigo line**, one of the activity provided for the IO2.

In the month of October, also joint reflections have started about the App programming (IO3) lead by CCG, the Landscape Infographic (IO4) lead by UNIVPM and the Didactic contents (IO5) lead by UPM.

The development of these IO will involve the Partners in the next months.

IO1 – THE MICROMASTER

One of the main activity carried out in this semester was the registration of the lessons related to the first Intellectual Output: a **Micromaster** on the valorisation and communication of the European Cultural Landscapes and its Railway Heritage.

It is a Micromaster designed by means of **short MOOCs** aimed at providing the student with knowledge and tools to improve his understanding of the **European landscape** and its **railway heritage**.

This course will allow the student to recognize the landscape and heritage as cultural and tourism **resources**, identifying **opportunities** of entrepreneurship through ICT.

The Micromaster will be soon accessible for free.

THE REGISTRATION OF THE OPORTO-VIGO LINE

Due to COVID-19 related restrictions, the **Virtual Lab** (IO2) that will be host in Ancona was postponed to Septemeber 2021.

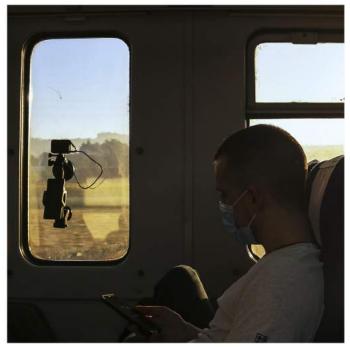
Nevertheless, CCG made a registration of the **Oporto-Vigo line** that will be fundamental for this future activity.

Front side and window views video were taken in order to allow a **virtual experience** of the landscape visible from the train. Train travel by Peter Halasz. (on the front page)

Frame of a lesson from the Micromaster MOOC on the valorisation and communication of the European Cultural Landscapes and its Railway Heritage.

Video recording of the Oporto-Vigo line provided by CCG. (below)





PAST EVENTS

SECOND TRANSNATIONAL MEETING | 16 OCT 2020

The second transnational meeting, hosted by CCG, was the opportunity to discuss about the developments of the RAILtoLAND project during this year characterised by the impact of COVID-19.

The meeting pointed out that the pandemic crisis affected also the project activities. Specifically, the recording of the most part of Moocs' sessions, as well as the learning activity in Ancona, and consequently their preparatory actions.

ROUND TABLE-COLLOQUIUM | 19 NOV 2020

European railway landscape as a sustainable driver of the tourism sector

With the anticipated Round Table-Colloquium, the Railtoland Project ended the 2020. It was an important opportunity for reflection on **the railway as an efficient and sustainable mode of collective transport**, able to enhance the tangible and intangible heritage crossed by its tracks.

We thank again Prof. Rafael Mata Olmo of the UAM, the Researcher Nacima Baron of the University Gustave Eiffel and Prof. Orlando Figes of the University of London for sharing their views on this topic.

If you missed the meeting, click here.



UPCOMING EVENTS

THIRD TRANSNATIONAL MEETING | 19 JAN 2021

This meeting will take place 4 months after the previous one, in a period of high activity.

Key Intellectual Outputs for the overall success of the project will be in progress, so this meeting will allow to address particular complex issues for their integration and development.

SECOND MULTIPLIER EVENT | 20-22 MAY 2021

The VIII Seminar of G+I_PAI

This event wishes to establish a dialogue among citizens, university and the institutions regarding the railway industrial heritage, its future and the challenges it faces in the new society of digital transformation.

Specifically, the seminar seeks to delve into **the landscape values of the railway**, in its two aspects: generator of dynamics and landscape configurations, and a stage on which to perceive the diversity of landscapes that usually travels. A context, physical or virtual, of enormous interest due to its cultural, symbolic and identity implications.

All communications on railway heritage, art and landscape are welcome and will take place in sessions interspersed with lectures and round tables where the theme that gives title to the VIII International Seminar will be addressed.

