

June 2021—Third Newsletter

## NEWS FROM THE RAIL

The RailToLand project's Newsletter



# SHORT REPORT ON THE THIRD SEMESTER ACTIVITIES

In the European Year of Railways, the RailToLand project runs on its rails And is getting to recover the little delay caused by the Covid-19 emergency.

The partnership was able to conclude the scientific and administrative tasks about the MOOC realization. The MOOC will be available very soon on the MiriadaX platform and in compliance with their definition of 'massive open online course' will be free, easily accessible, completely online courses. RtL MOOCs give you the chance to know about several topics: Landscape and railway in the European cultural identity, the railways system as a cultural and tourist value; techniques for interpretation, representation and communication of railway's cultural landscapes in Europe.

Also the work on the APP ideation goes ahead with the commitment of CCG, UNIVPM and UPM.

## IO4- LANDSCAPE 3D INFOGRAPHIC

#### On field work

The DISTORI team of Polytechnic University of Marche (UNIVPM) was in Portugal and in Spain along side the Railway Porto-Vigo in order to implement on field work.

The first day was dedicated to survey the Sao Bento Station and don Luis Bridge.

In the second one, the 360° images of the Railway Museum in Lousado were acquired as well as a multi instrumental acquisition for the Durraes bridge, the so called dry-bridge (Ponte Seca). Here the Univpm group also met the colleagues of CCG unit.

On the 3rd day, an intensive day along the windy Portuguese cost was dealt to survey 5 fortresses on the coast: Here a collaboration with a local company, Eye2Map, with expertise in UAVs flight was very effective in order to speed up the digitization procedures.

The last day on field day was dedicated to the Valenca bridge, on the border with Spain. Also the impressive Valenca fortress was digitized by 360° pictures from drone and a mobile mapping system.

Keep in touch with us for the results of the survey campaign: we will have a huge quantity of digital data about cultural landscape along the railway line Oporto-Vigo!

Cover page:

full dome image of the Durraes Bridge (credits univpm)







#### **105- DIDACTIC GUIDE**

#### On field work

The coordinator of the project, Polytechnic University of Madrid (UPM), and the colleagues of the Autonomous University of Madrid (UAM) were also on field in order to document the natural and built heritage and the landscape along the railways line Oporto-Vigo.

The IO5 Didatic guide is not conceived as a "highlighted items compendium", but it wants to be a tool for a deep explanation of the complex reality of what means a landscape. In this light a huge work was done, based on the landscapes units method.

Each Landscape Unit (LU) should be organized in different sections such as interpretative keys of this LU; natural values; cultural values, heritage etc. The contents will be clustered on a specific classification: tangible cultural heritage; intangible cultural heritage; intangible natural heritage.



three pictures about the survey campaign by Univpm. From the top: the CCG and UNIVPM teams at Durraes, the panoramic acquisition in the Sao Bento station, the working group at the Lousado Museum

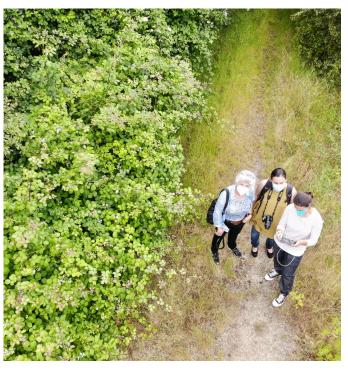
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two pictures about the on work field by UPM

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poster for the events "Miradas Férreas. Paisaje, Patrimonio Ferroviario e Identitad Europea" flyer for the event Top Rail Forum one figure by the short paper presented at Salento AVR





#### **PAST EVENTS**

VIII Seminario Internacional "Miradas Férreas. Paisaje, Patrimonio Ferroviario e Identitad Europea"

The second multiplier event has taken place in Madrid from May 20 to 22.

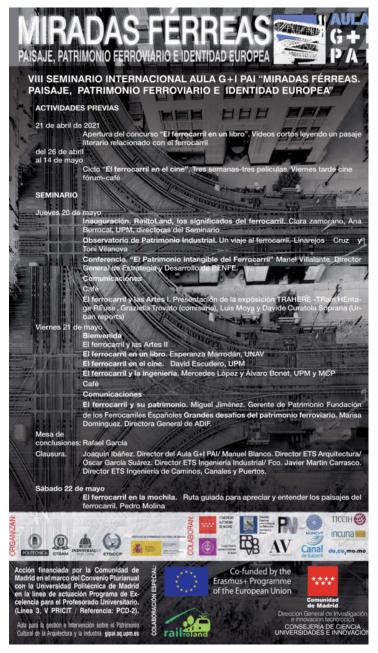
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All communications on railway heritage, art and landscape are welcome and took place in sessions interspersed with lectures and round tables where the theme that gives title is addressed.

If you missed the meeting, click here.

Before the May seminar two events were also held in April: a reading contest, a film cycle and a guided field visit.



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### TOP RAIL FORUM on line event 26 OCTOBER 2021

The third TopRail forum will be held online on 26 October and will focus on "Railway and tourism: a cultural perspective". The event is coordinated by UIC TopRail members and the RAILtoLAND project, co-funded by Erasmus+. Rail plays a significant role in developing a destination's attractiveness and acts as a catalyst for territory branding. Not only does it possesses natural, historical and patrimonial value, it also contributes to the development of local communities, facilitating job creation, improved living standards and opportunities for cultural exchange.

To register for this event, please go to https://uic.org/events/railway-and-tourism-a-cultural-perspective

### Rail To Land at the conference SALENTO AVR 26 OCTOBER 2021

The Rail to Land project and its first results will be presented at the conference Salento AVR. The work titled "Uncovering the potential of Digital Technologies to promote railways landscape: Rail to Land project" will be presented as short paper.









