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Related area: Development of innovative services in memory institutions

Title of the project: Marine disasters and Lithuania: between rationality and mysticism. 2015-2017

Aim of the project is to develop innovative exhibitions in the Museum promoting active and interactive cognition of marine culture.

Related area: Culture dissemination and project

Title of the project: At the Roots of the Lithuanian Fleet. People and Ships

A book about initiators and developers of the Lithuanian fleet (begin. of XX c.) aiming at dissemination of national maritime historical heritage.

Preventive Restoration and Conservation of Museum Valuables

Conservation of 76 museum valuables preserved in the Museum's Collection of Art.

Related area: Dissemination of culture and art

Title of the project: Phantom of the Fort

Performance dedicated for the re-opening of the Aquarium Exhibition situated in a former XIX c. Nerija Fort.

Related area: International cooperation

Title of the project: Ship in the Storm. Historical Context in the Baltic Sea

International conference focusing on history of rescue at the sea activities and development of life saving stations along the northern coast of the Baltic Sea in XIX c.

Related area: Cultural education

Title of the project: I Am Dragging My Anchor

Citizens and guests of the city while using the public transport will be provided with interesting and entertaining maritime knowledge in order to promote maritime identity of Klaipeda and Lithuania.

Related area: Cultural education

Title of the project: What a Wonderful World of Museums

School project will engage students into deeper complex study of the XIII - XV c. history of Klaipeda with the sessions arranged in different museums of the city.

Related area: Development of qualification

Title of the project: Key to Success, Creative Museum = Creative Visitor

Qualifications of the museum's staff developing projects aiming at creating better and modern services for the visitors.

Related area: Cultural education

Title of the project: Museums Drive on

United project by 4 Klaipeda museums aiming at dissemination of museums', promotion and development of cultural activities in the city. For the purpose, 4 specially equipped and decorated public buses, presenting the topics of the Museums: art, history and maritime culture - drive around the city and provide educational and entertaining activities for the public transport passengers.

Related area: Cultural education

Title of the project: Engaged with the Sea

Educational platform-installation in the city of Klaipeda, arranged in a sea trade container, presenting one of the most beautiful ship models of the Museum *Bucentaur* – a replica of barge of the Venice doges – and telling a wonderful story about engagement with the sea...

Related area: Dissemination of culture and art

Title of the project: Dangė Flotilla

Traditional historical ships' event, arranged during the Sea Festival in Klaipeda, presenting navigation traditions and heritage with numerous educational activities to the public.

Related area: Development of qualification

Qualifications of the museum's staff developing projects: three specialists of the Lithuanian Sea Museum have been awarded with the grants to develop their professional skills and qualifications in the fields of marine biology, professional lighting and efficient fundraising.

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Reconstruction of Aquarium of the Lithuanian Sea Museum, 2014-2017

Major reconstruction of the Museum's aquarium exhibition since its opening in 1979. After the reconstruction, aquarium exhibition will contain 3 tanks with fresh water fishes (total capacity 60

m3), 10 tanks with the Baltic and North sea's fishes and invertebrates (total capacity 100 m3), 7 tropical tanks (total capacity 60 m3), underwater acrylic tunnel, and the central pool.

The outputs of the project also include: upgraded life supporting system (LSS) in the tanks of the aquarium, enlarged outdoor pools for sea birds and mammals, refurbished visitors' service infrastructure. An annex to the reconstructed building will house a classroom for the educational experimental activities.

Cost of the project 14, 83 mln EUR (11, 76 mln. EUR financed by the Governmental Investment Programme).

The Park of Sea Entertainment, Relaxation and Health Services in Kopgalis (establishment of Dolphin Therapy Center)



Supported by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and Cohesion Fund (CF) 2007-2013 under the priority "Local and urban development, conservation of cultural heritage and nature, and adaptation for tourism development" and co-financed by the Lithuanian State Investment Programme, the project was implemented in three stages:

I stage – RECONSTRUCTION OF THE DOLPHINARIUM BUILDING ID No VP3-1.3-ŪM-01-V-01-022

1st stage included renovation of the dolphinarium building replacing its roof, refurbishment the central dolphins pool, installation of modern water treatment and supply system, refurbishment of the main hall and installation of modern sound and lighting systems.

II stage – CONSTRUCTION OF ANNEX TO THE DOLPHINARIUM BUILDING ID No VP3-1.3-ŪM-01-V-02-002

2nd stage included construction of additional pools for dolphins with the water treatment and supply system, dolphin assisted therapy center, and pools for California Sea lions. In the newly established dolphin assisted therapy center there are individual and group sessions arranged for people having physical or mental irregularities as well as for people suffering from neurological diseases.

III stage – CONSTRUCTION OF OUTDOOR POOL AND THE AMPHITHEATER ID No VP3-1.3-ŪM-01-V-03-001

3rd stage included construction of the outdoor pool for the sea mammals with modern water treatment and supply system and a 800-seated amphitheater equipped with modern sound system.

The project created 17 new jobs and increased the number of national and international visitors to the dolphinarium who are now provided with better quality services and infrastructure here.

Duration of the project 2009-2015

Total budget of the project – 13,5 million EUR

Contribution to the project 9 million EUR



Museums today act as important informal learning players and provide potential for communicating social, cultural and scientific information, correcting misconceptions and improving attitudes and cognitive skills. Therefore Lithuania Sea Museum (LT) together with ECO partners (LV), C.R. Jakobson museum (EST) and Eskilstuna folkhögskola (SE) in 2017 cooperated and implemented project "SmILE". Main objectives of the SmILE project were to improve the quality of adult informal learning services in museums and to strengthen the folkhighschools abilities to exploit museums in adult education and learning.

Implementing project activities, three international workshops on the following topics were organized in Latvia, Estonia and Sweden: "Biographical Approach and Storytelling in Adult Education and Active Citizenship", "How to Work With Big Groups of Adults in Education", "Developing Cooperation between Local Museums and Folkschools in Order to Use Museums in Learning (Informal and Formal) Process".

Participants to the workshops deepened their knowledge and broadened understanding of pedagogical methods used in the participated countries, got new ideas that could be implemented in their organizations.

Supported by the Nordplus Adult Programme. Total budget of the project – 12.330 EUR. Project No.: NPAD-2016/10168.



Supported by Erasmus+ Programme (Key Action 1 – mobility of individuals), in 2015-2016 the Lithuanian Sea Museum implemented project DOLPHIN (Development of Knowledge and Skills of Employees of the Dolphin Therapy Centers).

The project activities included trainings for specialists of the Lithuanian Sea Museum's Dolphin Therapy Center in the Watsu/Tansu, Sherborne, Sensory Integration, TEAACH and OIVA methods used at the Dolphin Therapy Centers and one job-shadowing visit to Zoo Marine (Portugal) to watch the real activities performed applying the methods. Special attention was also paid to the welfare of the animals participating in the therapy.

Total duration of trainings: 40 days (320 hours).

Number of participants: 6 specialists of the Lithuanian Sea Museum's Dolphin Therapy Center.

Project No. 2015-1-LT01-KA104-013310







European Regional Development Fund

Title of the project: Baltic Museums: Love IT!

Lithuanian Sea Museum together with museums, touristic attractions, IT specialists and research institutions from Poland, Denmark, Sweden and Germany, cooperate in the project 'BalticMuseums: Love IT!' to create IT-enabled tools for natural and cultural heritage attractions in the South Baltic Region. The three-year project is co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund in the Interreg South Baltic Programme.

The purpose of the project: to develop multilingual tours to be run on the own devices (e.g. smartphones) that the visitors bring to the attractions. Addressing the trend of gamification, the project will use game elements to make the visitors' experience more involving, and extend the single visit into long-term relationships.

Leading Partner – University of Szczecin (Poland).

Project Partner Institutions: Stralsund University of Applied Sciences (Germany), National Marine Fisheries Research Institute (Poland), Malmö Museums (Sweden), NaturBornholm (Denmark), Experyment Science Centre in Gdynia (Poland), Foundation of Internet Industry Development "Netcamp" (Poland), Business Academy North gGmbH (Germany).

Project duration: 2017–2020 Project budget: 1.484.375 EUR

The project supported by the EEA Grants and Norwegian Financial Mechanisms (2009-14)



Programme: Conservation and revitalisation of cultural and natural heritage

Title of the project: Neringa Fort Conservation and its Sustainable Use

Supported by the EEA Grants and Norwegian Financial Mechanisms (2009-14) for cultural heritage programme, the Lithuanian Sea Museum together with the partner Stavanger Museum has been implementing the project which aims at preserving the Neringa Fort.

More about project:

Building Bridges New Exhibition about Neringa Fort