

2ND STRENCH CONFERENCE (ONLINE)

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Report on 2nd STRENCH Conference

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Place: Online



On February 28th 2022 the 2nd STRENCH International Conference was held. The Conference's focus lay on the presentation of the STRENCH project results aiming to enhance cooperation and exchange of expertise between various actors involved in the decision-making process for the protection and safeguarding of cultural heritage at risk due to extreme events related to climate change. Held in English language the conference attracted 73 participants.

Commencing with an initial administrative phase during which the participants established their connection to the virtual meeting room a technical introduction for audience was held by Raffaella Woller of the University for Continuing Education Krems prior to the welcome and opening speeches by Ottavia Ricci of the-Ministero della Cultura -Consigliera del Ministro per la valorizzazione del patrimonio culturale diffuso and Costanza Miliani - Presidenza CNR -Director of the Institute of Heritage Science. After the introduction Alessandra Bonazza of the Institute of Atmospheric Sciences and Climate CNR in Italy together with Raffaella Woller of the Centre of Cultural Property Protection, University for Continuing Education Krems in Austria acted as moderators for the conference.

Starting with the STRENCH project and main achievements an outline of the STRENCH project was presented by Alessandra Bonazza after which Christophe Ebermann of Interreg Central Europe continued on the topic of cooperation on cultural heritage and climate resilience in the Interreg



Central Europe Programme. After the outline of the STRENCH project and the funding body Interreg Central Europe had been explained Riccardo Cacciotti of the Institute of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics in the Czech Republic introduced one of the core outputs of the STRENCH project namely the methodology for vulnerability ranking. Which itself is enhanced by an additional tool/output produced in the STRENCH project being the risk mapping tool for cultural heritage protection which was presented by one of the creators Alessandro Sardella from the Institute of Atmospheric Sciences and Climate, CNR, Italy.

After a comprehensive recap of the main outputs of the 1st session by Raffaella Woller of the UWK the conference continued with the topic of Project Management Strategies and tools for the safeguarding of cultural heritage in the framework of European cooperation. Since the STRENCH project also aims to generate synergies by capitalizing and thus combining the results of 9 relevant previous EU projects the data-driven and community-based resilience for historic areas from the SHELTER project and EU R&I Task Force for Climate Neutral and Resilient Historic Urban Districts was presented by Aitziber Egusquiza Ortega of TECNALIA in Spain.



Before handing the word to Evangelos Gerasopoulos of the National Observatory of Athens, Greece who elaborated on the topic of coordinating earth observation exploitation for cultural heritage at the global scale and the Urban Heritage Climate Observatory Initiative.

Who was followed by Xavier Romão of the Departamento de Engenharia Civil, Universidade do Porto, Portugal. Who continued the tight schedule of the conference by discussing the topic of disasters in cultural heritage -what we need to know for a more effective risk management practice.



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After a brief break the moderators initiated a discussion on gaps in risk management practice and on the key messages to be highlighted from the 2nd session



The final theme of the conference surrounded the future challenges in the management planning of the cultural heritage at risk. In this aspect some of the STRENCH project partners came forth in order to share their lessons learnt and experience gained in STRENCH project itself. These included Valentina Bergonzoni of the

Fondazione Villa Ghigi, Italy; Andreas Rösch from the District Council of Forcheim, Germany; Zoltán Heizler of the Lake Balaton Development Coordination Agency, Hungary; Vlasta Vodeb representing the Urban Planning Institute of the Republic of Slovenia; Ana Vržina of the Municipality of Dugopolje, Croatia. Whom of which each would come to elaborate on the unique and sometimes shared threats and challenges faced at their respective site and measure are most likely to succeed in managing these arising challenges.

Closing the Conference it was an honor to have Adele Cesi of the UNESCO Office, Italian Ministry of Culture speak on the highly relevant topic of world heritage and risk management. After which the conference was recapped, wrapped up and closed by the moderators concluding a highly productive and successful final conference of the STRENCH project.

The STRENCH Project Partnership would like to express their gratitude to all speakers and guests alike for partaking in this event.

Expected effects and follow-up

The event proved to be a successful dissemination event of STRENCH project results further raising the awareness on the STRENCH project, outputs and tools and enhancing networking between heritage protection organisations and enthusiasts.

Annexes (e.g. pictures, media coverage web-links etc.)

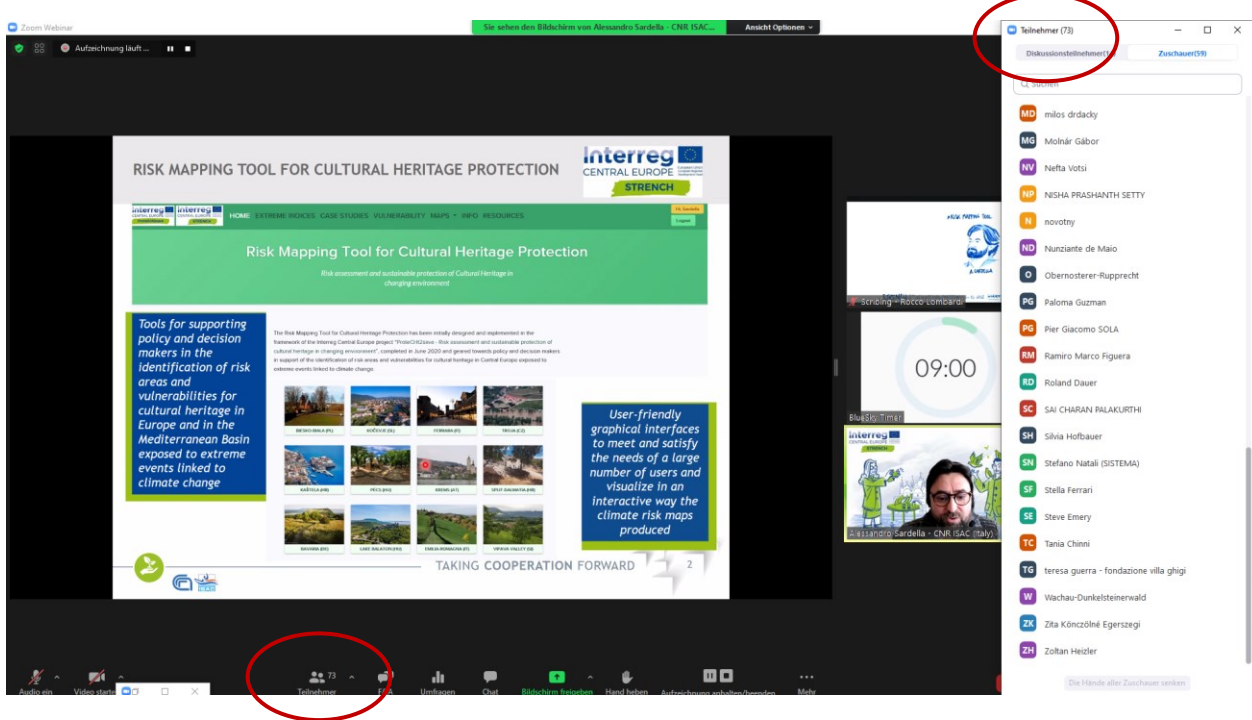
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STRENCH Conference Video Recording: As the entire Conference was recorded it is available upon request since the entire file encompasses 1.28 GB being rather large for an eMS upload.

Conference Screenshots depicting amount of Participants:



Additional Conference Screenshots:





Chat

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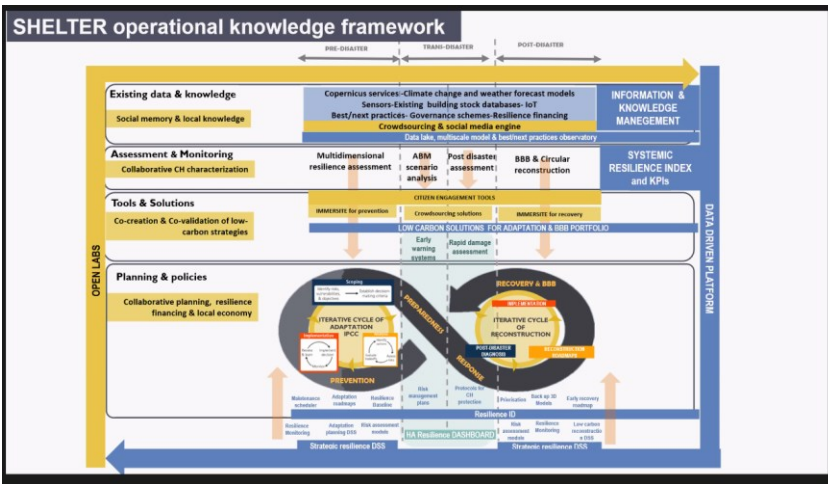
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18 Hi everyone! Valentina Bergonzoni, Villa Ghigi Foundation - Bologna, Italy

Wir kann Ihre Nachrichten sehen? Aufzeichnung En...

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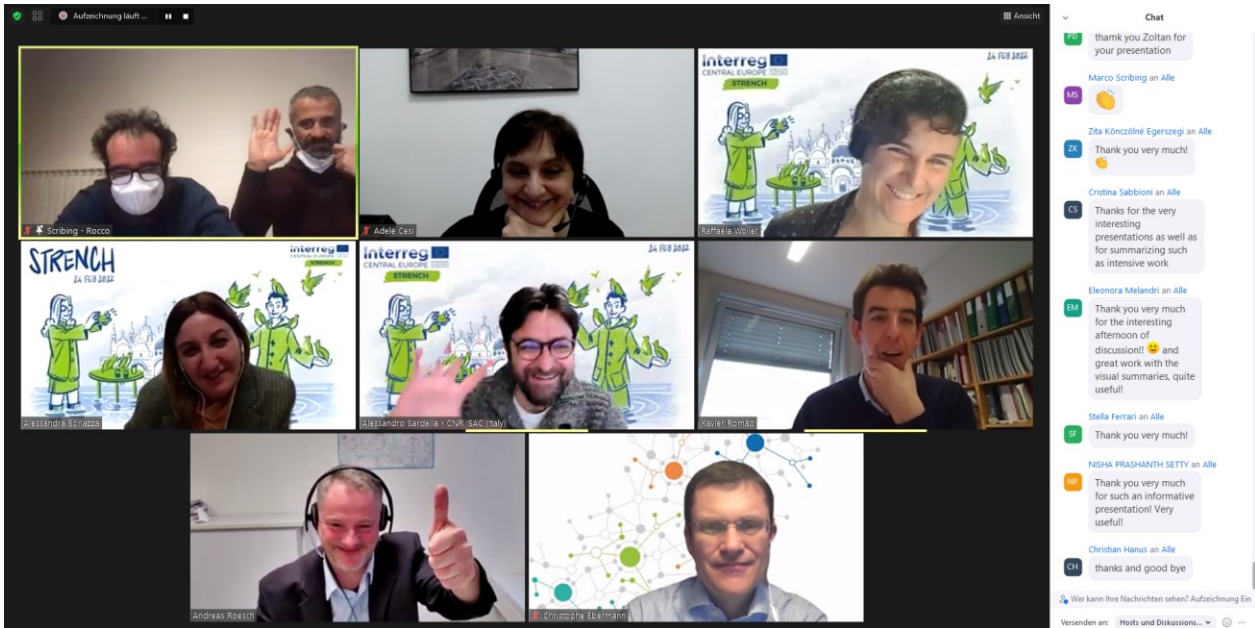
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Conference Program:

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Programme

2:00-2:20 PM Connection to the virtual meeting room (STRENCH Project Video)
2:20-2:30 PM Technical introduction for audience, Danube University Krems

2:30 -2:45 PM Welcome and opening speeches

- Ministero della Cultura, Ottavia Ricci - Consigliera del Ministro per la valorizzazione del patrimonio culturale diffuso
- Presidenza CNR, Costanza Miliani - Director of the Institute of Heritage Science

Moderation Alessandra Bonazza - Institute of Atmospheric Sciences and Climate, CNR, Italy
Raffaella Wöller - Centre of Cultural Property Protection, University for Continuing Education Krems, Austria

2:45-3:30 PM STRENCH project and main achievements

- STRENCH project, Alessandra Bonazza (Institute of Atmospheric Sciences and Climate, CNR, Italy)
- Cooperation on cultural heritage and climate resilience in the Interreg Central Europe Programme, Christophe Ebermann (Interreg Central Europe)
- STRENCH methodology for vulnerability ranking, Riccardo Cacciotti (Institute of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Czech Republic)
- Risk mapping tool for Cultural Heritage Protection, Alessandro Sardella (Institute of Atmospheric Sciences and Climate, CNR, Italy)

3:30-3:45 PM Recapping the main outputs of the 1st session

3:45-4:15 PM Strategies and tools for the safeguarding of cultural heritage in the framework of European cooperation

- Data-driven and community-based resilience for historic areas: SHELTER project and EU RRI Task Force for Climate Neutral and Resilient Historic Urban Districts, Aitziber Egusquiza Ortega (TEQUILA, Spain)
- Coordinating Earth observation exploitation for Cultural Heritage at the global scale: the Urban Heritage Climate Observatory Initiative, Evangelos Gerasopoulos, (National Observatory of Athens, Greece)
- Disasters in cultural heritage - what we need to know for a more effective risk management practice, Xavier Romão (Departamento de Engenharia Civil, Universidade do Porto, Portugal)

4:15-4:30 PM Break
4:30-4:45 PM Discussion on gaps in risk management practice - key messages from 2nd session

4:45-5:20 PM Future challenges in the management planning of the cultural heritage at risk

- Lessons learnt and experience gained in STRENCH: Valentina Bergonzani, Fondazione Villa Ghigi, Italy; Andreas Rösch, District Council Forchheim, Germany; Zoltan Heitzler, Lake Balaton Development Coordination Agency, Hungary; Vlasta Vodeb, Urban Planning Institute of the Republic of Slovenia; Ana Vržina, Municipality of Dugopolje, Croatia.
- World Heritage and risk management, Adele Cesi, UNESCO Office, Italian Ministry of Culture

5:20-5:30 PM Wrap-up and closure







