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PP7_Mestna občina Nova Gorica/Municipality of Nova Gorica, Slovenia



Nova Gorica_Rihemberk castle

Integrated Built Heritage Revitalization Plan_Progress report



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- Last RLSG workshop held in July 2017 (3 WS)
- IBHRP final draft was prepared in July 2017
- IBHRP addiction: Conservation plan is in preparation
- Activities regarding Rihemberk castle revitalization went on - updates of the document
- Public presentation and presentation for City Council is planned



10 relevant documents identified /local and national level/

Regarding cultural heritage:

they all emphasize the value of cultural heritage, including historic buildings and other built heritage on Nova Gorica territory.

Common topics: sustainable development, cultural heritage, cultural tourism, cultural events, cultural and natural heritage protection, improvement of life quality in the region, improving accessibility of cultural heritage, maintenance of culture heritage, increasing visibility etc.



Trajnostna urbana strategija razvoja Mestne občine Nova Gorica 2020

/Sustainable Urban Development Strategy of the Municipality of Nova Gorica 2020/:

- an integrated strategic development document approved by the City Council 2016 - for urban part of the Municipality
- prepared for all urban municipalities in Slovenia

Strategija lokalnega razvoja za lokalno akcijsko skupino (LAS) „V objemu sonca“ /Development Strategy for the Local Action Group "In the embrace of the sun,,/:

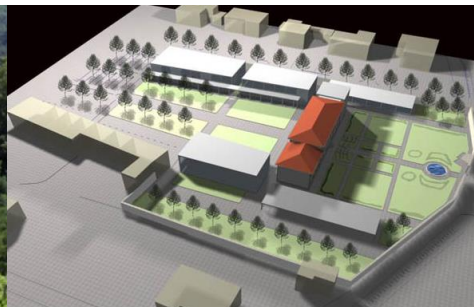
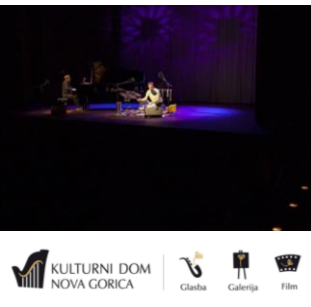
- applicable for the non-urban part of the Municipality



Vision of culture politics 2014-2017:

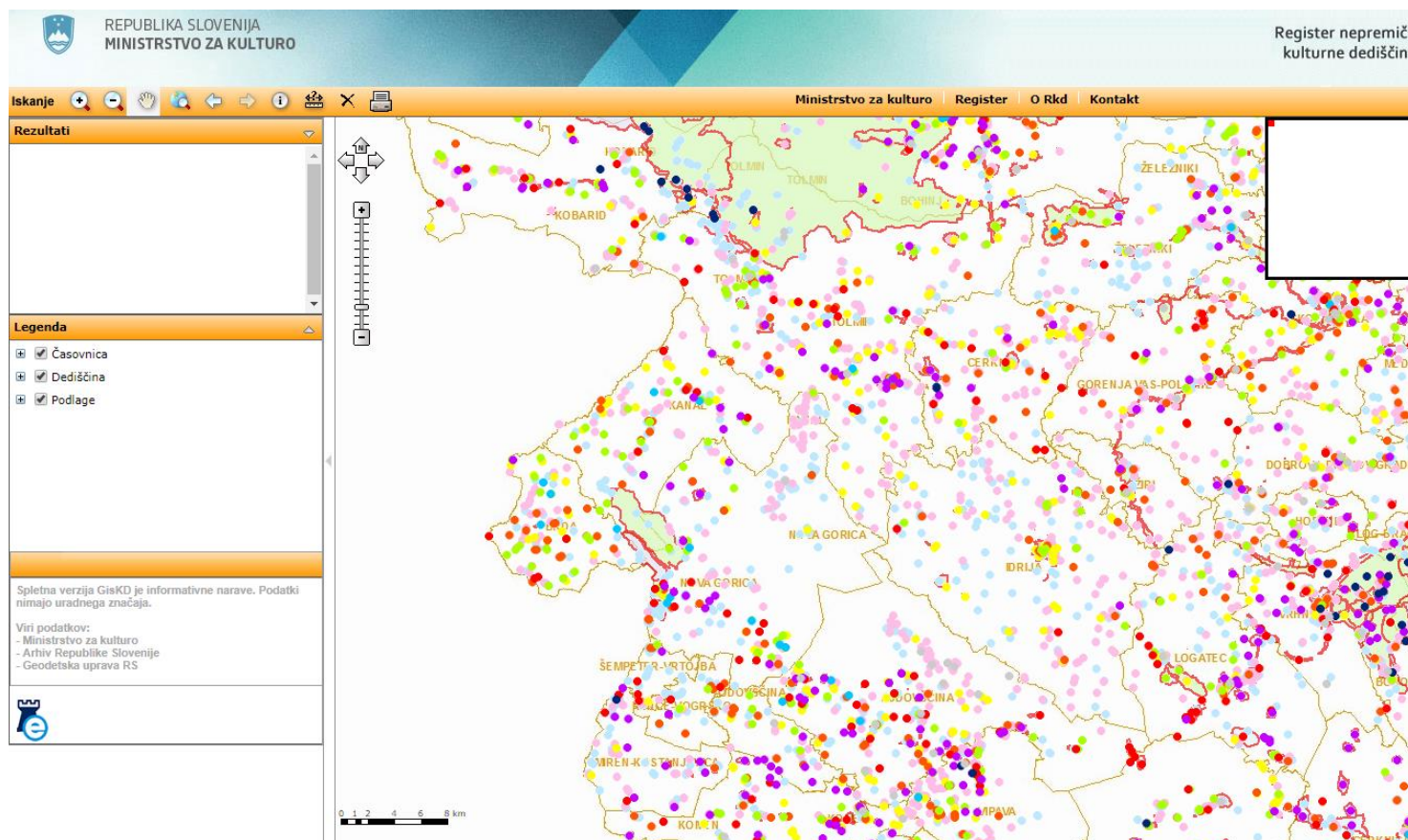
„Nova Gorica should become a creative city in which culture is closely connected with the touristic, educational, economic and other sectors that contribute to the material and spiritual well-being of all its inhabitants and visitors.“

Highlighted strategic objectives of the Local Program for Culture:
Documentation for Rihemberk castle revitalization



BUILT CULTURAL HERITAGE IN NG

Big number of registered built (immovable) cultural heritage in Municipality of Nova Gorica

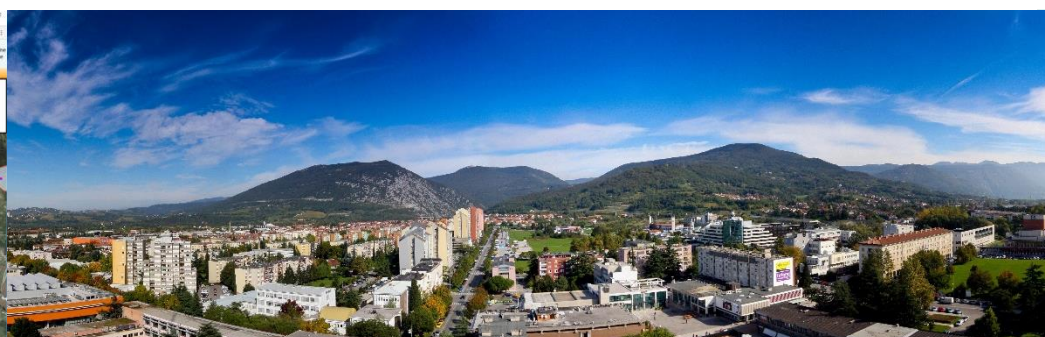
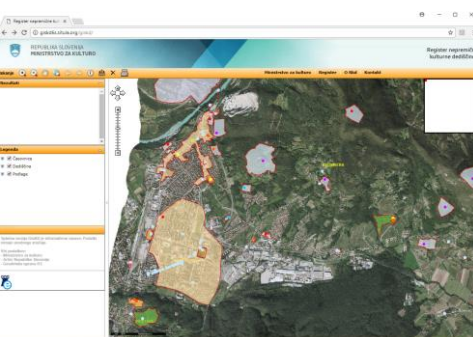


Immovable cultural heritage as „class enemy“

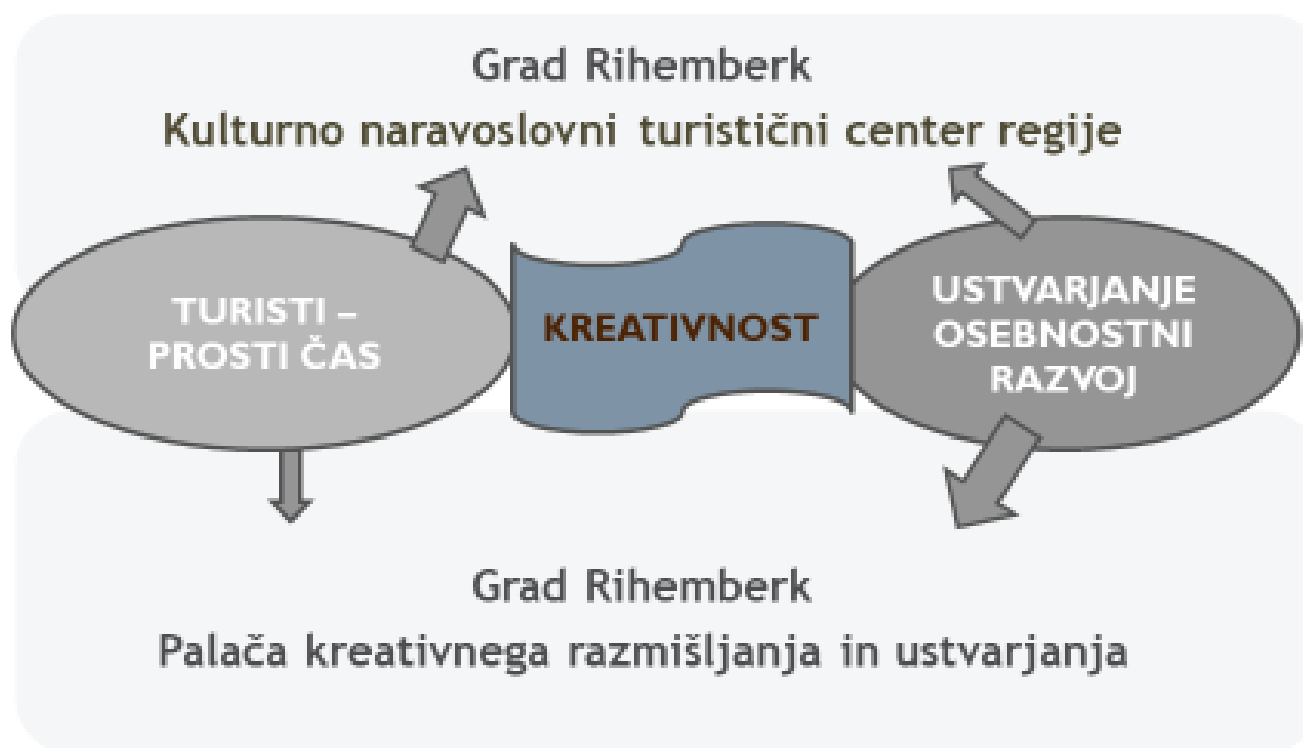


Formally organized through a public institution **Institute for the Protection of Cultural Heritage:**

- Submission of conditions and approvals for individual buildings (building permits, urbanistic plans)
- Register of immovable cultural heritage (INDOK Centre, Ministry of Culture) - example of a printout from the registry

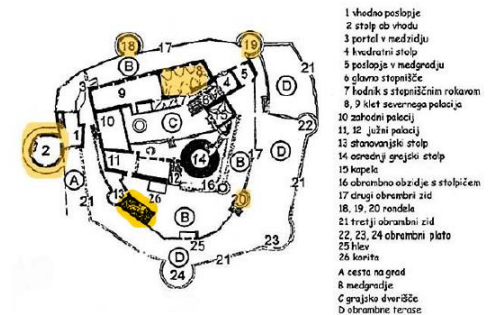
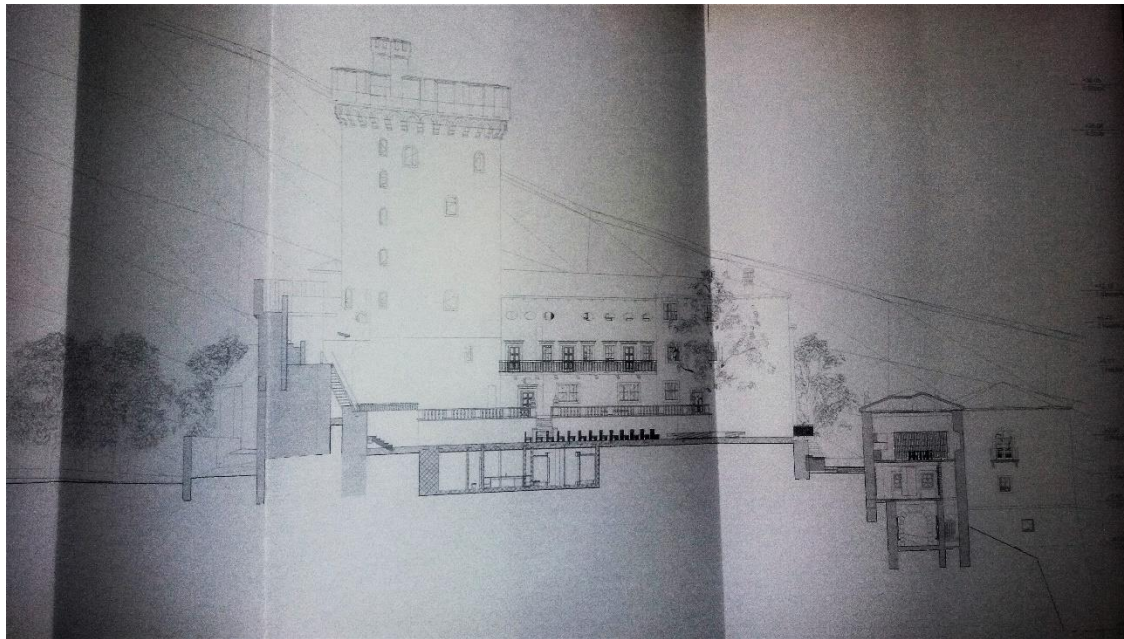


Grad Rihemberk = Culture tourism + Creativity, Personal development



Based on the contract Ministry of Culture - Municipality

- Programme from 2011
- Expecting big investment covered from EU funds
- Not including properly the Nature protection side, etc.



RECENT „CLASSIC“ REVITALIZATIONS

Villa Vipolže, Goriška Brda & Lanthieri mansion, Vipava



Unique & Rational & Safe & Operational

- Make something unique in the wider area (creative thinking)
- Being rational - do what we really need, when we need it /spending rationally/
- **Safety first:** of the people, of the cultural monument & of endangered animals



Different stakeholders gathered around the same table

Key conclusions:

- Agreement about general direction for the castle development
- Doing something now - most important was to open the castle to the public
- Continue step-by-step, improving previous phases, visitors experience
- Not so important to reconstruct the whole castle, all buildings
- Build the right organization structure
- Work on programmes, not only „walls“
- Realise that Nature 2000 and endangered bats are not an obstacle, but an asset



Steps already made:

- Making the castle clean and safe for visitors, respecting the cultural monument and endangered animals
- Opening the castle to the public - 2.500 visitors
- Preparing programmes and training for guided tours
- Organizing guided tours and simple events
- Keeping the castle in order



Next steps:

- **Organization structure** - new public institution or collaboration with an existing one
- **Project tender 1: improving castle heritage interpretation**
- **Project tender 2: opening „Nature 2000 Infoteque“ in Entrance tower, 1st floor**
- **Project tender 3: finishing the restauration works of Entrance tower, 2nd floor and infrastructure - completed basic infrastrucure for visitors**
- **Public investments in „common“ surfaces and structures**
- **Agreement of the „frame“ use of the rest of the existing buildings - offering them to private investors**



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