



SPE.C.H.A.L.E.: THE LAUNCH OF A NEW ERASMUS+ PROJECT

An innovative training path for adults to teach how to tell about European Heritage

The **Erasmus+ KA2 SPE.C.H.A.L.E.** Project (from the acronym *SPEcialists in Cultural Heritage and Attractive Living Environment*, meaning a new professional that takes care of spreading the great European cultural heritage) is a new project carried on by an international consortium of seven organizations, from five different EU Countries: **Italy, Portugal, France, Croatia** and **Latvia.**

Co-funded by the ERASMUS+ 2014-2020 program (KA2 Adult Education – Strategic Partnerships), it includes seven European partners: the coordinator is the Portuguese ADCMoura, Associação para or Desenvolvimento do Concelho de Moura, flanked by a second Portuguese organization, ATMTGLA, Associação Transfronteiriça Dos Municípios Das Terras Do Grande Lago Alqueva; two Italian partners: eConsulenza Agency (by Gabriella Bigatti) and the Association Le Terre dei Savoia; the Latvian Vidzeme Planning Region, an organization that works for the local and national cooperation and development, the Croatian Institute for Tourism, the research institute for Croatian tourism and finally the French UESS, Université Européenne des Senteurs & Saveurs.

The project, started in September 2018, will last three years. An official first meeting (SPE.C.H.A.L.E. Kick off Meeting) between the partners was held on 20 - 21 November 2018 in Zagreb, at the Croatian Institut Za Turizam. Many activities will keep the international consortium busty until August 2021; it aims to put into effect the social and educational values of the *European Cultural Heritage* as a fundamental tool for economic growth, job creation and social cohesion.

In line with the needs outlined by the **EU 2020 Strategy**, the project also aims to encourage an innovative approach in the field of training for sustainable tourism and cultural heritage with a particular focus on adult training; a path specifically dedicated to disadvantaged people, including the development of own soft skills for the beneficiaries.

It is an ambitious goal: to build *ad-hoc* training modules in the field of culture and tourism, and to reach the validation for the "*Cultural Heritage and Attractive Living Environment Specialist*" pathway.



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Partnership:

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