

## INNOCASTLE – INNOvating policy instruments for historic CASTLEs, manors and estates

In-depth analysis of the Romanian situation, upcoming study visits and meetings



An international team of experts and policy makers
participated at the first Innocastle study visit. The picture
was taken at the Marghiloman Manor in Hagiesti. Photo\_
Vlad Bâscă

Innocastle is an Interreg Europe funded project started in June 2018. Supported by a knowledge partner, National Trust, four partners from Romania, Belgium, The Netherlands and Spain will work for 4,5 years on improving regional and national policies influencing historic castles manors and estates.

Since the project started, a common methodology was developed by University College Ghent and partners are currently gathering data about each policy instrument. Each partner will organize a first meeting with local stakeholders by May 2019. Each meeting will bring together stakeholders from various competencies such as heritage, tourism, culture, nature, landscape, rural development to analyze local policy instruments. Innocastle strives to involve multiple actors and to investigate place-based solutions for historic castles, manors and estates.

"It is very important for us to stimulate cooperation between

various stakeholders in Romania through this project, to create innovative policy instruments that are adapted to local opportunities." – Raluca Barbulescu – National Institute of Heritage, Romania.

Partners have so far visited several Romanian cases. Romania has approximately 1000 castles and manors, of which 10% are in an advanced state of deterioration, according to a study by the ARCHÉ Association in 2015. Castles and manors have an enormous potential to become drivers for innovation and tourism, but this will not happen by itself. A shared vision, regional cooperation and political support is essential. An in-depth report and a video of the visit can be found here:

https://www.interregeurope.eu/innocastle/news/news-article/5107/learning-report-study-visit-romania/.

Other study visits to the United Kingdom (May 2019) and the Netherlands (June 2019) are currently being prepared.

Read more: http://interregeurope.eu/innocastle

Study visit at The House with the Coat of Arms in Chiojdu, Romania. Photo\_ Vlad Bâscă

Partners: National Institute for Heritage (Romania), Ghent University College (Belgium), Province of Badajoz (Spain), National Trust (United Kingdom) and the Province of Gelderland (The Netherlands).

**Network Activities and Initiatives** 

Network members

Steering group

News

## Who are we?

The Danish Research Centre for Manorial Studies is a collaboration between Gammel Estrup the Danish Manor Museum, Aarhus University, Aarhus School of Architecture and the National Museum of Denmark. The research centre was established in 2004 with the specific purpose of promoting research, education, documentation and interpretation on the cultural history and heritage of estates and country houses. It was the initiator of the ENCOUNTER (European Network for Country House and Estate Research) and now holds the chairmanship in the steering group and the secretariat for this network as well as the secretariat of the Nordic Network for manorial history.

## Dansk Center for Herregårdsforskning

Randersvej 2 8963 Auning Denmark

T (+45) 86483001 dch@gammelestrup.dk www.herregaardsforskning.dk

## Newsletters

Email

Fulde navn - Full name

Newsletter, ENCOUNTER - European Network for Country House and Estate Research

Tilmeld/Subscribe