



IN-SITE ANALYSIS

The scope of the in-site analysis document is according to the approved AF “*to inform participants on problems solved and good practices implemented*”. The provided information should be brief, in order participants of the Study Visits to have a clear view of the Fortress and actions, projects and policies which have been developed around it or planned to be developed.

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| Name of the Fortress, Location | Fortress of Terezin, Czech Republic |
| Brief Historical Background | <p>Terezin fortress, including the new town, was built 1780-1790 to protect the capital city Prague from North. It closed the Imperial road to Saxony and controlled the Elbe river. It was also built as huge military base able to support the Austrian Army fighting abroad.</p> <p>The fortress served its purpose till 1888. And it was always a military and garrison town till the end of the 20th century. Because of the fortifications and army presence, there were no suburbs or industry built here. The town became a momentum of the Second World War, as Terezin was Jewish ghetto and Gestapo prison. After the army left at the end of 20th century, enormous buildings, fortifications and landscape was overtook by town municipality.</p> |
| Current Status | <p>After army left, the number of people in the town sunk from some 8.000 to 2.000 people (3.000 including three surrounding villages). Town municipality has not enough money to maintain the whole fortress (the whole fortress has some 400 ha) not to restore it. But the municipality does its best to restore the monuments including hectares of green spaces of fortifications. Fortress of Terezin is cultural monument, on UNESCO tentative list.</p> |
| Recent projects implemented | <p>Project IOP 2009-2015: restoration of some empty military buildings (Riding Hall, Artillery Barracks, Retranchement 5, Cavalier 2, Litoměřice-Gate) to present the older history of Terezin.</p> |



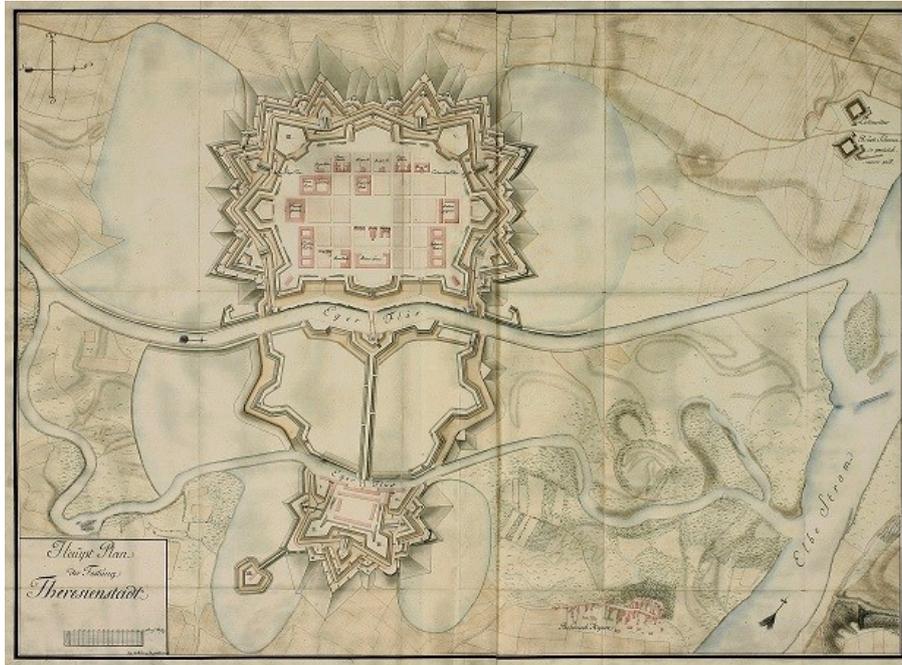
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| | <p>Restoration of flood damages 2013: removing of flood damages mostly in fortifications (underground, water system etc.)</p> <p>Project IROP Restoration of Wieser House 2018-2020: revitalization of the most beautiful house in the town.</p> |
| Projects under implementation or planned to be implemented | <p>Restoration of so called “brownfields” – military hospital, Infantry Barracks, Armory and Warehouse.</p> <p>Restoration of the main square.</p> <p>Reconstruction of fortification.</p> |
| Local, regional, national and/or European policies used related to the preservation of the Fortress and the development of the area | <p>Every aid is helpful here, because of extreme largeness of this monument. Mostly the municipality use the projects of Ústí Region (the organization Terezín - Město změny doing tourism in the Main Fortress is paid mostly by Region), Czech Government (mostly the reparations after the floods 2013) and European Union (containing the biggest restorations IROP and IOP projects).</p> |
| Local, regional and/or national stakeholders involved | <p>The absolute majority of the Terezin fortress is owned by Terezin Municipality (Město Terezín). Some part of this was lent for free to the organization Terezín – Město změny in order to restored and provide them (project IOP). The organization “Terezín – Město změny” was founded by Terezin municipality and Ústí Region to present the older history of Terezin (till 1938). Terezin Memorial (Památník Terezín) owns Small Fortress and some other objects in the town to present the history of the WWII. Two huge former military barracks are owned by Nation Museum as depository and restoration workshops.</p> |
| Public consultations (if any) | <p>Since 2019 we cooperate with ČVÚT (Czech Technical University in Prague). Students communicate and consult their restorations projects with local inhabitants.</p> |
| Public opinion | <p>Local people are disgust by over-presentation of Terezin only as Jewish ghetto (concentration camp). They would like to live in functional, vital and restored town. Not only in WWII open-air museum, as they say. They prefer “normal” investment in streets, sidewalks, school etc. instead of repairing the monuments.</p> |
| Existing problems related the preservation of the Fortress and the development of the area | <p>Small town with only small budget is not able not only to maintain this extraordinarily large monument (military buildings, fortifications etc.), but also to restore them. Co-finance is the key problem. No specific and real idea how to use</p> |



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| | <p>these large objects (its new life). No interest to repair the fortifications.</p> |
| <p>Problems solved related the preservation of the Fortress and the development of the area</p> | <p>Due of lack of sources, we used any opportunity to restore or at least maintain the fortress (or its parts). Some restored buildings are used to present the older history of Terezin, which was almost forgotten. We open some interested places to the public, which are unique for Terezin fortress – underground mine corridors, underground water gates. Some parts of wide fortifications were lent for free to local NGOs to take care of them. They mostly use grazing, which is effective, cheaper and popular by the tourist</p> |
| <p>Good practices used</p> | <p>Organized and systematic lending of some sectors of fortification to NGOs to maintain and provide them. System of ecological maintenance of green spaces of fortification (grazing, mosaic mowing etc.)</p> |
| <p>Policy instruments related to the Fortress preservation and development</p> | <p>Common monumental preservation according to the Czech law.</p> |
| <p>Brief evaluation of the status before Study Visit</p> | <p>Due to Covid-19 we can see some interesting factors. Between 1st and 2nd lockdown, there were short time of tourist season in summer. The monument connected with the WWII, mostly visited by foreigners, lost more than 50% visitors. The monuments connected with fortress were visited by the same number of people like in 2019 (even more). But otherwise, this Covid-19 situation, no tourist, no income, strikes everybody involved in tourism in the town.</p> |
| <p>Webpages related to the Fortress containing useful information for participants</p> | <p>www.terezin.cz https://www.facebook.com/TerezinMestoZmeny</p> |



IN-SITE ANALYSIS – ATTACHMENT MAPS and IMAGES FORTRESS TEREZÍN



Historical plan of fortress Terezin 1787



The fortress Terezin now, photo: Jana Hofman Formánková, 2017



Underground mine corridors of the fortress Terezin now, photo: Jana Hofman Formánková, 2015



Garrison Hospital in Terezin, photo: Ivan Němec, 2019