



## 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.

<p><b>Name of the Fortress, Location</b></p>	<p><b>City fortifications in Bardejov - Monument reservation</b></p> <p>City of Bardejov, Presov Self-Governing Region, Slovakia</p>
<p><b>Brief Historical Background</b></p>	<p>The first mention of the city fortifications comes from 1352, when King Louis I ordered for the security of the city to enrich it with walls, strengthen it with bastions and close it with impregnable gates.</p> <p>At the end of the 14th century, a stone castle wall with three city gates stood all around the city. Later, Renaissance builders used many fortification elements here, adapted to the development of new combat technology.</p> <p>In the 18th century, the importance of city fortifications declined, as a result of which the Bardejov city fortifications began to fall into disrepair. However, its liquidation did not take place. From the 1950s, the gradual repair and reconstruction of the walls began.</p>
<p><b>Current Status</b></p>	<p>The city fortification is a national cultural monument, it is part of the Bardejov Municipal Monument Reserve and also part of the UNESCO site - The historic city centre of Bardejov, for this reason the fortification is under state protection.</p> <p>The restoration of the fortifications has been gradually taking place since the 1950s, when attention was focused mainly on the preserved towers and bastions. Until now, several sections of the walls have been gradually restored and presented, including the adjacent areas of the fence, moat and fortification alleys. The city even manages to gradually buy worthless buildings around the walls, rehabilitate them</p>



	<p>and thus enable a better presentation of the fortifications than a complete ring around the historic city center.</p> <p>Due to the considerable size of the fortifications, some sections have not yet been examined and restored, and also some parts that have been repaired in the past need to be restored.</p> <p>The buildings of the walls are mostly without functional use, with the exception of the bastion serving as a cafe and community center. The city is trying to find a functional use for the fortifications and fences, where a playground, a park and two fountains were created to serve the local population and tourists. Fortification walls are also used for the installation of temporary photographic exhibitions.</p> <p>Partly after the restoration in the extent of the northern section of the walls, part of the north-eastern part of the fortification system and the 1st stage of the southern part.</p>
<b>Recent projects implemented</b>	<p>The turning point was the year 2006, when it was set comprehensive concept of fortification restoration. A complex architectural-historical research focusing on the whole fortification complex with the exception of the western section. In the same year the architectural studio developed the project Restoration of the city fortifications and its involvement in the infrastructure of the town of Bardejov.</p>
<b>Projects under implementation or planned to be implemented</b>	
<b>Local, regional, national and/or European policies used related to the preservation of the Fortress and the development of the area</b>	<p>Act no. 49/2002 Coll. - Act on the Protection of the Monument Fund. (Zákon č. 49/2002 Z. z. - Zákon o ochrane pamiatkového fondu).</p>
<b>Local, regional and/or national stakeholders involved</b>	<p>Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Finance, Government Office, City of Bardejov, civic associations.</p>
<b>Public consultations (if any)</b>	<p>Non Regional Monuments Office, Monument Office of Slovak republic.</p>



<b>Public opinion</b>	Positive. The public opinion on the activities related to the restoration of the fortifications is generally positive, the fortification and its surroundings are more attractive to local residents who like to spend their free time here in several locations.
<b>Existing problems related the preservation of the Fortress and the development of the area</b>	Financial problems ☹️ Finding the right functional use and attractiveness of the fortification and its areas, attracting tourists for more than a day of tourism, costs of maintenance and restoration of such a large complex, insufficient education for local residents, poor presentation and promotion for tourism.
<b>Problems solved related the preservation of the Fortress and the development of the area</b>	All activities related to the restoration of the fortifications are closely consulted with the Regional Monuments Office in Prešov, so potential problems are addressed on an ongoing basis.
<b>Good practices used</b>	Restored part of the fortification - uniform approach (methodology) to the restoration of the fortifications as a whole, the restoration is carried out systematically - Bastion - community center - use, attractiveness of outdoor fortification spaces for leisure activities (used by local residents)
<b>Policy instruments related to the Fortress preservation and development</b>	Restoration and presentation of the fortifications are among the main long-term goals of the town of Bardejov.
<b>Brief evaluation of the status before Study Visit</b>	The city fortifications will be visited during the online study visit 8.3.2022.
<b>Webpages related to the Fortress containing useful information for participants</b>	<a href="https://www.pamiatkynaslovensku.sk/bardejov-opevnenie-mesta">https://www.pamiatkynaslovensku.sk/bardejov-opevnenie-mesta</a> <a href="https://www.regionsaris.sk/historia/mestske-opevnenie-mesta-bardejov-unesco/">https://www.regionsaris.sk/historia/mestske-opevnenie-mesta-bardejov-unesco/</a>