# Project related insights and conclusions

#### MARITA MELVERE Project Manager in Saldus County

Municipality "The project implementation time for the participants was active, full of work and events. During the study trips, municipal experts had the opportunity to learn about different approaches to revitalising former industrial, military and natural resource extraction facilities, not only in neighbouring Lithuania, but also in Poland and Germany."

#### EDGARS ZEBERLINŠ

Head of Development Departmen Skrunda County Municipality "Overall, the project is very useful, as the cleaning up of municipal areas is a serious problem, and municipalities are forced to spend considerable money from their budgets on solving the problem. The exchange of experience with other municipalities in the Kurzeme region as well as in neighbouring countries will be very useful and will help municipalities to address the issues of cleaning up and restoring the territories more effectively in future.

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#### SARMĪTE OZOLINA

Project Manager of the Kurzeme Planning Region "There is a need for a clear classification of brownfield territories, including

buildings, methodology for their evaluation, guidelines for work with such territories, and regular planned external funding support. There is a need for the regular exchange of information on the latest methods and technologies for the cleaning up of brownfield sites. Brownfield sites should be tidied up for at least two reasons: 1) public safety; 2) the efficient use of resources and the creation of new opportunities for business and society."

MINDAUGAS NORKUS Chief Specialist of Telšiai District Municipality

"Collaboration with colleagues from other cities in Lithuania and Latvia provided an opportunity to share experience and good practice. The contacts established and the knowledge and skills acquired ensured the smooth running of the project and laid the foundations for further cooperation."

#### ELENA TALOČKAITE

Project Manager of the Kaunas Regional Development Agency

When addressing a variety of issues at the local level, planning and implementing large infrastructure projects, it is very important for municipal representatives to regularly follow up on information provided by cientists or government agencies on current municipal issues, to identify good practices

in neighbouring countries, and discuss practical issues with colleagues in other municipalities or target groups."

#### AIGA VANAGA -PORIĶE Senior Project Manager at the Kuldīga Development Agena

"Rehabilitation of brownfield sites requires not only financial investment but also successful and sometimes creative solutions to make brownfield sites and derelict objects sustainable and useful

to society. The lessons learnt and the opportunities to learn about development possibilities and knowledge of different cooperation and funding models for cleaning up these areas will be useful in future to ensure the revitalisation of brownfield sites in Kuldīga County.'

#### RASA GRUBLIAUSKYTE GINTA RODERTE Chief Specialist of Klaipėda District Municipality "Workshops and study The interesting and

meaningful seminars trips have shown experience-exchange the diversity and complexity of brownfield sites and the benefits of cleaning them up. This knowledge will be useful for long-term planning and work in our municipality."

#### AUŠRINE KUSTIENE

Chief Specialist of Kaunas City Administration "During the project, representatives of Kaunas City Municipality participated in a roundtable discussion on the regeneration options of brownfield sites. During their study visits to Poland, Germany and Latvia, they visited abandoned, polluted sites that have been restored for new life, and gained new ideas on how to regenerate and use brownfield sites."

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### **THE RESULTS OF THE PROJECT LLI-303 IN KURZEME AND IN PART OF LITHUANIA**

# LIFE IN CLEAN ENVIRONMENT A BETTER FUTURE (CLEAN BROWNFIELDS)

Time of implementation: May 1, 2018 - April 30, 2020 Planned ERDF funding: EUR 889,520.56



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isits newly acquired contacts and know how will be useful in future for

> implementing various projects.







# The project territory and the work done

#### 9 **PROJECT PARTNERS**

Kurzeme Planning Region, 4 Kurzeme municipalities, Kaunas Regional Development Agency and 3 Lithuanian municipalities.

## DERELICT BUILDINGS DEMOLISHED

Demolition of derelict buildings and cleaning-up of the territory.

# **CLEANED-UP TERRITORIES**

Cleaning up of the territories and adapting them for new use.

#### 15,96 ha WELL-MAINTAINED ENVIRONMENT

As a result of the project, territories in Kurzeme and part of Lithuania were cleaned up.

#### 🔊 KAUNAS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Location: Laisves Avenue 46, Kaunas, Lithuania Project activities: Educational activities in Lithuania: 1 thematic workshop "Management of Brownfield sites in Latvia and Lithuania: Challenges and Practical Solutions", 3 roundtable discussions in Telšiai, Kaunas and Gargždai on the management of brownfield sites, municipal needs, 2 study visits and a closing conference. Planned financing: EUR 58.990.00

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#### SALDUS COUNTY MUNICIPALITY

#### Location: Striku Street 3, Saldus, Latvia

Project activities: Demolition of the "Celinieki" building in Ruba Parish, Saldus District, creating a new area that will serve the needs of the population for cultural and recreational purposes in the future. Debris removed, environmentally damaging asbestos cement sheets utilised, levelled area of 450 sq.m. and grass sown. Planned financing: EUR 43,854.90

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#### **KURZEME PLANNING REGION** Lead Partner

Address of the administration: Valguma Street 4a, Riga, Latvia Project activities: Development of knowledge and communication about types of brownfield sites, possibilities for cleaning them up and using them. During the project period 5 seminars, 2 thematic workshops and 2 experience-exchange trips took place, where at least 150 representatives from Kurzeme municipalities have improved their knowledge.

#### Planned financing: EUR 83,268.67

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Project activities: Cleaned area of 212 m2 at Siltumnīcu Street 12. Kuldīga of pollution. In the gardening area of the former Kuldīga Utility Company, 366 tonnes of hazardous waste of both solid and liquid consistency (including heavy fuel oil) were collected and disposed of.

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the building, and a green area has been developed where the municipality plans to construct a children's playground. Planned financing: EUR 153,485.08

Location: Žemaites Street 14. Telšiai. Lithuania Project activities: Cleaned up soil that had been contaminated with oil products in the territory of the former Telšiai military barracks. According to the prepared management plan, two plots of land of a total area measuring approx. 3 ha were chosen where around 6700 m3 of contaminated soil were excavated and purified on site using bacteria and other organic additives (bioremediation).

Location: Laisves Avenue 96, Kaunas, Lithuania Project activities: Renovated 10,400 sq.m. football stadium in Panemune, Kareivinių Street. The old soil was dug up, the whole area was levelled and covered with 20 centimetres of soil in which grass was sown. In the renovated Kaunas football stadium one can now not only exercise, but also organise football competitions. Planned financing: EUR 123,056.20

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#### KULDĪGA COUNTY MUNICIPALITY

#### Location: Baznīcas Street 1, Kuldīga, Latvia

#### Planned financing: EUR 158,062.44

#### SKRUNDA COUNTY MUNICIPALITY

#### Location: Raina Street 11. Skrunda. Latvia

Project activities: Clean-up of the Soviet Army concrete plant site at Kalna Street 17, Skrunda, to offer to investors and private entrepreneurs as a possible place for business development Area of 11.34 ha freed of debris, shrubs and waste Planned financing: EUR 34,414.07

#### **VENTSPILS COUNTY MUNICIPALITY**

Location: Skolas Street 4. Ventspils, Latvia

Project activities: Demolished 5-storey residential building at Rūpniecības Street 7, Ugāle that was dangerous for residents, cleaned up an area with a planned total area of 5223 sq.m. An asphalted driveway and a cobblestone pavement have been built in the place of

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Location: Klaipėda Street 2, Gargždai, Klaipėda County, Lithuania Project activities: An area of about 150 ha was studied in the Gargždai and Dovilai districts of Klaipėda. Preliminary ecological studies were carried out - both groundwater and soil sampling for further analysis (at least 13 boreholes) and surface water sampling for quality analysis (at least 8 samples).

#### Planned financing: EUR 46,049.55

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