

European Walled Towns

Cooperation and Funding
International and EU based projects and
initiatives

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Two pronged Action

- Initiated a Draft plan to tap funding and expand possible initiatives for EWT May 2013
 1. UN Global Cities Compact
 2. EU Funding possibilities

UN Global Cities Compact

Status

Various Initiatives

- Signatory to the UN Global Compact
- EWT accepted after president sent letter to the Secretary General (June-July 2013)
- Paper on EWT presented in People and Planet Conference in Melbourne (July 2013)

‘European Walled Towns: Sanctuaries of peace and dynamic regenerated hubs’

- Paper to be published in;
 - Two Routledge anthologies (Urban Futures and Eco-Criticism)
 - Two Special issues of the Local-Global Journal
- The Global Cities Research Institute Annual Review
- Special issues proposed for the Arena Journal, and Communications, Politics & Culture.

Innovative Walled Cities in EWT

- Resulting from the Paper presented;
- Innovative Cities with a possibility of developing and compiling a *Cultural Impact Assessment*;
- TASK GROUP led by;
 - Ms Gabriella Agius, Arch Victor Sladden and Dr Malcolm Borg
- Possible Target Cities;
 - **Valletta; Tenby and Chester, Gemeente Hellevoetsluis and Valkenburg aan de Geul, Lucca, Friesach, Meppen, Montreuil-Bellay, Vitoria-Gasteiz**
- Interested parties welcome/ currently compiling Valletta, Three Cities
- Cultural Impact Assessment to assist and support bids for grants and International assistance
- To circulate Expression of Interest and Guidelines

Paola International (18-19 Dec 2013)

Heritage Management Conference

The International Conference on Sustainable Heritage Management will take place in Malta, it is organised by the the Paola Local Council in collaboration with the European Walled Towns. The conference is sponsored by the Paola Local Council, The Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of Finance and Heritage Enterprise. The aim of the conference is to address the many cross-cutting aspects of heritage management with a special reference to;

- sustainable development and conservation,
- mobility and transit,
- site management,
- sustainable tourism and tourism diversity,
- regenerating abandoned heritage sites and managing the ruin,
- sustainable heritage,
- alternative energy and renewable energy sources for heritage assets,
- climate change,
- the heritage landscape and sustainable heritage.

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- *Please refer to <http://www.royalnavyprison.com/> (Under International Conference) for a copy of the **PROGRAMME** and **CALL FOR PAPERS**.*
- *For ease of access please refer to attachments below.*
- *We are not attaching the Programme and Registration for the AT FORT Integration Seminar as this is still under review.*
- **NB There are no fees for attendance (first 30 delegates) for the Conference for AT FORT and EUROPEAN WALLED TOWNS delegates. The delegates will be obliged to pay travel and accommodation. The venue hotel will be at a special rate.**

Please refer to venue details on www.excelsior.com.mt

- For further information please write to heritage.enterprise.au@gmail.com.

PROGRAMME INCLUDES GUEST SPEAKERS

Mr Peter Ros : New Dutch Waterline and the AT FORT Project

Mr Christian Greussen: European Garden Heritage Network

Profs. Paul James: UN Global Cities Compact

EU Funding Programme

Status

URBACT Call (Priority 3 November)

- Valletta offering to lead;
- **Creation of Pilot Networks ;**
- The pilot Transfer Networks shall aim to:
 1. Support the validation of good practices through the transfer (re-use) by cities in the framework of a transnational exchange and learning project.
 2. Identify key elements of success for the transfer of the selected practices.
- VALLETTA – ‘giving City’
- EWT Cities interested
- Transfer of HERO Action Plan development and the CHIMP (Cultural Heritage Integrated Management Plan)

Other Initiatives (Immediate)

Joining-up

1. CIVITAS
2. THE COVENANT OF MAYORS
3. INTELLEGENENT ENERGY EUROPE

Interested parties or as EWT to make use of the grant schemes for energy Audits, Plans especially with EE, RES and Green Travel plans

Erasmus + Life Long Learning - Training City Managers (Early 2014)

- Erasmus+ is the new programme proposed by the European Commission for education, training, youth and sport. It would start in 2014 and would significantly increase the funds allocated for the development of knowledge and skills.
- EWT as Lead or any member of EWT
- Target Jan-March 2014

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