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PROGRAMME NEWS

THE PROGRAMME CLOSURE AND OPENING DURING THE CONFERENCE IN GDAŃSK

Taking this possibility I would like to thank all guests for your participation to the Final Programme Conference of the Lithuania-Poland-Russia ENPI Cross-border Cooperation Programme 2007-2013 and the Opening Conference of the Poland-Russia Cross-border Cooperation Programme 2014-2020, which was held on **8th of December 2016 in the Polish Baltic Philharmonic in Gdansk, Poland.**

It was a pleasure to host you in this magnificent place and share the achievements of the successful **Lithuania-Poland-Russia 2007-2013 Programme implementation.** Together we had the unique opportunity to familiarize ourselves with the significant impact, which the projects made on everyday lives of the inhabitants of the regions on both sides of the European Union-Russia border.



I hope that each of you will keep in memory the special moment of launching the **new Poland-Russia CBC Programme 2014-2020, which was approved by the European Commission on the same date of 8 of December 2016!** I am sure that this day will effect by many new projects implemented over the Polish-Russian border next years!

Yours sincerely, Małgorzata Woźniak, The Head of the JTS

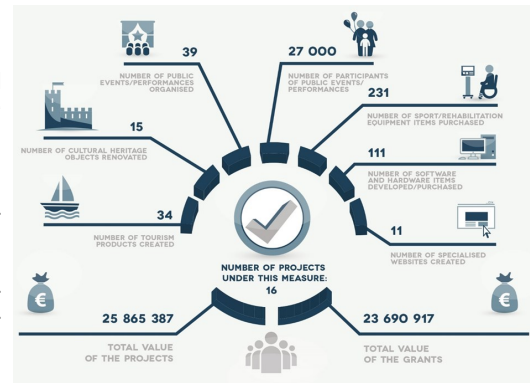
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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!



LT-PL-RU PROGRAMME “IN BIG NUMBERS” - MEASURE 2.1 TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

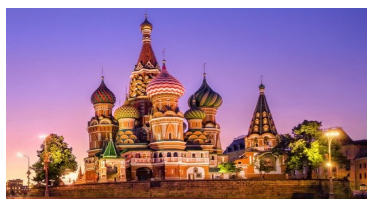
Tourism plays a prominent role in the economy of the Programme area and demonstrates potential for further growth due to the territory's rich natural and cultural heritage. It is of special importance for development of coastal and rural areas. The projects implemented under this measure were aimed at dealing with a range of issues. Thus, some of them focused on developing tourism infrastructure (e.g. construction of coastal and marine infrastructure, creation of bicycle paths etc). Some projects were designed to create attractive space for local residents and tourists in the cities (e.g. renovation of parks, etc). Preservation of cultural sites was another important issue: reconstruction of historical monuments, modernisation of museums and conservation of ancient city walls were carried out within the implemented projects.



XI JMC IN MOSCOW

On **29 of November 2016 in Moscow the XI JMC Meeting** was held. The main subjects discussed during the meeting were the following:

1. Summary of implementation of regular projects and Large Infrastructure Projects;
2. Summary of information and promotion activities performed within the Programme
3. Technical Assistance budget - TA budget was approved with the requested amendments.
4. Settlement of the Branch Office of the Joint Technical Secretariat in Kaliningrad for the new perspective.



PARTNER SEARCH FORUM FOR POLAND-RUSSIA 2014-2020 IS OPEN ON THE WEBSITE

We are pleased to inform you that a new on-line “**Find a Partner for a Project**” platform is launched on our website for all future beneficiaries of the Poland-Russia 2014-2020 CBC Programme. On the platform, all interested potential applicants of EU co-financed projects can post information on their institutions and type of projects to be visible for other interested entities or find respective partners for the future projects, both from Poland and Russia. The platform is the first huge step in the settlement of the new Programme. Its main goal is to match appropriate partners and establish contacts for the planned projects, which are to be submitted in the planned call for proposals in the first half of next year 2017.

