

EFFORTS NEWSLETTER nr. 9 APRIL 2019



A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear members and sympathisers,

One year after the founding of EFFORTS as a European professional organization, mobilising built military heritage cities, regions and organisations in Europe, I can present you good news : EFFORTS members created a proposal for pilot project, submitted by four members of the European Parliament, to request funding by the European Commission for '**EU FORT KNOW**', the European fortification knowledge sharing platform. Read about this in this newsletter.

It is in the interest of all EFFORTS members that we organize ourselves so as to do what we all aspire : EU collaboration for our cities and citizens. For this we need to work closely with fortification and heritage organisations in Europe and with our fortification specialists. Each year, the EFFORTS Congress is consecrated to the state of important European developments and to EFFORTS European initiatives according to a set and evolutive Action Plan. From our 2018 Congress, you can consult the present EFFORTS **Declaration of Venice** at www.efforts-europe.eu/annual-congress/. At the next EFFORTS Board meeting, on 23 May in Bergen op Zoom, I will ask to intensify our membership policy as a central part of this **EFFORTS Action Plan** for the coming years.

Part of the EFFORTS Action Plan is to become the European representative organisation of fortification sites and will contend in the 2020 bid for a **European Network** structural funding. In the meanwhile, together with EUROPA NOSTRA, EFFORTS will endeavour to ask the European Commission to adapt the **European Heritage Label** rules so as to make it possible for European defence lines to join this European 'Unesco' label.

My cue is to incite you, EFFORTS members, to join us in the second **European Fortress Day 2019** and compete for the **EFFORTS Award 2019** ! Check our website.

Frank Petter
Mayor of Bergen-op-Zoom, Netherlands
President of EFFORTS



HAVE YOU PAID YOUR EFFORTS MEMBERSHIP 2019 FEE ?

Put Fortified Heritage high on the European agenda with us, and pay or renew your **EFFORTS membership** in 2019 :

-All present members received their invoice for payment in January.

-If you want to become EFFORTS member, apply via the website : <http://www.efforts-europe.eu/membership/> and pay your fee, or contact the EFFORTS secretariat (see below).



Only EFFORTS full members can vote at the AGM, participate in European Funding Professionals Network or EFFORTS activities. Only EFFORTS full members can participate in the European Fortress Day or win the EFFORTS AWARD.

EFFORTS FUNDING NEWS :

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1.) EU PILOT PROJECT 'EU FORT KNOW'

After last Board meeting in Venice on 7 November 2018, the 25 January meeting in 's Hertogenbosch between EFPN and IFC, the EFFORTS EU Liaison was invited to the IFC Executive Committee meeting on 18 March in Utrecht. EFFORTS and IFC and its members are connecting on EU projects on digitalisation (creating a Europe wide fortification dictionary). A first result is the cooperation for a European pilot project on the set-up of a European fortification open source platform :

Since 8 April, the **European Open Source Platform on Fortification Knowledge Research and Development for EU Cities and Regions (EU FORT KNOW)** is an official proposal by EFFORTS with four members of the European Parliament (J. Olbrycht - Poland, L. van Nistelrooij - Netherlands, Silvia Costa and Daniele Viotti - Italy) for a future 'pilot project' call of the European Commission, a first possible budget line for combining software development, fortification know-how and aspirations of all stakeholders concerned. It has a threefold goal: it is a model for a sustainable platform on research and knowledge exchange on fortified built heritage, both digital (open source software and a web

platform and multilingual and 3D database), physical (a European Knowledge and Research Centre), and a virtual (a European knowledge and research network). This European knowledge portal is to meet the challenges of the development of Europe's regions and cities. Until now, this knowledge is dispersed over many countries. It is in need for untapping for sustainable economic, environmental and cultural goals. Knowledge institutions, but also cities and regions will be the first beneficiaries of collaborative open source platform for the reuse of built military heritage. EFFORTS supporting members for now are Fondazione Forte Marghera, Stichting Menno van Coehoorn and the Simon Stevin Stichting VVC with Bâc Fort, Sibenik Fortress of Culture and the 's Hertogenbosch Heritage department.

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Sibenik Barone Fortress, plan of Forte Marghera (Venice) and the IFC.

3.) INTERREG CENTRAL EUROPE 4th CALL OF PROPOSAL : invitation to participate

The Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE (CE) Programme invites public and private organisations in central European regions to submit applications to the fourth call for proposals. Detailed conditions and the timeline for the call can be found in the "Application manual – Fourth Call" included in the "Application package – Fourth Call". The application package constitutes an integral part of this call announcement and is available at www.interreg-central.eu/apply.

The key elements of the Interreg CE programme (incl. programme objectives, the cooperation area, contents of its funding priorities, eligible applicants, programme budget, management structures and more) are described in detail in the Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE "Cooperation Programme" document, available for download from www.interreg-central.eu/documents (section "Programme Documents").

The "Cooperation Programme" document (Version 2 – adopted on 26.10.2016) constitutes the legal basis for this call for proposals. A minor revision of the Cooperation Programme is under evaluation at the time of launching the call. A revised version (Version 3) will become the new legal basis for the call after its adoption by the European Commission.

TOPIC/THEMATIC CLUSTER PRIORITY SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE I. Industry 4.0/advanced manufacturing 1 1.1 To improve sustainable linkages among actors of the innovation systems for strengthening regional innovation capacity in central Europe II. Social entrepreneurship 1 1.2 To improve skills and entrepreneurial competences for advancing economic and social innovation in central European regions III. Energy efficient renovation of public 2 2.1 To develop and implement solutions for increasing energy efficiency and renewable energy usage in public infrastructures IV. Low carbon mobility and urban air quality 2 2.3 To improve capacities for mobility planning in functional urban areas to lower CO2 emissions V. Climate change adaptation and risk prevention 3 3.1 To improve integrated environmental management capacities for the protection and sustainable use of natural heritage and resources VI. Cultural heritage (sites & buildings) at risk 3 3.2 To improve capacities for the sustainable use of cultural heritage and resources VII. Accessibility for peripheral and border regions to TEN-T CNC networks / nodes 4 4.1 To improve planning

Deadline for applications : 5 July 2019. Contact : Fondazione Forte Marghera, Andrea Bonifacio
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4.) BETWEEN THE LINES : DEFENCE LINES EU WORKSHOP

Collaborative meeting on the European perspective of defence lines and fortifications

For centuries, the European landscape has been scarred by war and defence lines. Today this fortification heritage is a chance for connection and local and regional development across ancient or present borders. Defence lines have per definition been constructed at European borders. In today's Europe, European partners seek cooperation in the mutual cultural and economic development of towns, cities and regions.

This workshop is being organized on how European partners see their future fortification and defence line in a Europe perspective. The results of the workshop will be communicated to all EFFORTS members.

You are hereby invited to participate in this European workshop on 16 May 2019. The workshop is organised by partners Township Olst-Wijhe (IJssellinie) and EFFORTS. Invited are associations and local and regional representatives and European policy specialists from European cities, provinces and regions. **It is highly recommended that you present your policy priorities and questions in this field at the meeting.** In case you have presentations, please send them by April 26th to the contact address underneath.

Venue

***Olst-Wijhe Town hall
Raadhuisplein 1, 8131 BN Wijhe (Netherlands)***

Programme

10.00 A.M.	Welcome at townhall Olst-Wijhe with a cup of coffee / tea
10.30 A.M. to 2.00 P.M.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome by Mayor Ton Strien of Olst-Wijhe ▪ Presentation of possible European cooperations 2019 ▪ Presentation of fortified heritage and vision on EU cooperation from each town or line-participant Break – sandwich lunch. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussion on possible European cooperation ▪ Conclusion (EFFORTS)
2.00 P.M.	Visit to the IJssel Line (IJssellinie)
3.30 P.M. to 4.00 P.M.	Network drink

Registration

We kindly ask you to **register before April 26th**.

Please send your email to rafael.deroo@efforts-europe.eu. If there are *any special dietary needs*, please let us know.

- For questions or comments you can also contact Rafael Deroo www.efforts-europe.eu
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APRIL 25 : WELLINGTON BARRIER CONFERENCE

Join EFFORTS, that is proud to support the important event on European defence line, the Wellington Barrier (register by 18 April at [www. http://www.simonstevin.org/wellingtonf.html](http://www.simonstevin.org/wellingtonf.html)). We inform you here via the programm published (here in French) :



V.V.C. Simon Stevin et la Fondation Menno van Coehoorn ont uni les forces pour réaliser un projet autour de la barrière Wellington.

Des partenaires du projet sont également la Province de Namur, EFFORTS et Frënn vun der Festungsgeschicht Lëtzebuerg.

Malheureusement, la Belgique, les Pays-Bas et le Luxembourg ont toujours sous-estimée l'importance de la barrière Wellington pour le développement de la construction de fortifications et de la construction militaire.

L'objectif de ce projet est la mise en place d'un réseau de connaissances qui permettra de créer une vue d'ensemble sur le fonctionnement de cette barrière, son désenclavement et sa conversion.

Après la chute de Napoléon, les grandes puissances ont pris l'initiative de construire et de rénover une série de fortifications et de villes fortifiées tout au long de la frontière nord de la France: la barrière Wellington. Ce fut une ligne de défense impressionnante née d'une étroite collaboration au niveau Européen : les Britanniques et les Néerlandais se sont chargés de la conception et de la construction des fortifications, la France a pris pour sa part le financement partiel de ce projet.

Afin de démarrer ce projet, nous organisons le 25 avril prochain un colloque dans la Citadelle de Namur. Nous invitons les associations, les fondations mais aussi les historiens (locaux) à participer à ce projet et à faire l'inventaire des éléments de cette barrière de Wellington encore visibles, de décrire leur histoire et l'état dans lequel ils se trouvent.

Colloque Barrière Wellington
Jeudi 25 avril à partir de 09.00h.
Citadelle de Namur - Centre du Visiteur Terra Nova
Route Merveilleuse 64, 5000 Namur.

Programme

09.00 - 09.30 Réception

09.30 - 09.45 Mot de bienvenue.

Marie-Françoise Degembe, responsable du patrimoine culturel de la province de Namur.

09.30 - 09.45 Introduction du projet Barrière Wellington.

Luc Olyslager - PDG Simon Stevin V.V.C., Dennis van Nieuwenhuijzen - Directeur de projet Barrière Wellington et Rafaël Deroo, EU-liaison EFFORTS.

10.15 - 10.45 Barrière Wellington: passé, présent et futur.

David Ross - Projet Wellingtonbarrière.

10.45 - 11.30 Barrière Wellington dans un contexte politique et diplomatique.

Prof. Beatrice A. de Graaf - Université Utrecht.

11.30 - 12.00 Les derniers bastions? La théorie de la fortification au début du XIX siècle.

Prof. Philippe Bragard - Université Catholique de Louvain.

12.00 - 12.30 L'innovation dans les fortifications selon le système polygonal.

Prof.ir. Piet Lombaerde - Université Antwerpen.

12.30 - 13.00 Towards an intimate and complete military history of the United Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Jurrien de Jong - Institut Néerlandais d'histoire militaire.

13.00 - 14.15 Déjeuner.

14.15 - 15.45 Trois ateliers de votre choix.

Workshop 1: Désenclavement et conversion.

Workshop 2: Recherche historique de la barrière Wellington.

Workshop 3: La narration.

15.45 - 16.00 Séance plénière.

16.00 - 17.30 Visite aux fortifications.

Guidé par Prof.Ir. Piet Lombaerde en Prof. Philippe Bragard.

17.30 Moment de réception et de résautage.

L'inscription est obligatoire, au plus tard le 18 avril.

L'inscription est de 10 euros par personne.

Paiement par virement bancaire sur le numéro de compte BE13 9530 5123 2739 BIC CTBKBEBX avec mention "Wellington/votre nom/et/ou organisation/nombre de participants."

SEPTEMBER 2019 : EFFORTS EUROPEAN FORTRESS DAY



The preparations for the second EUROPEAN FORTRESS DAY are well underway. In order to present Europe's forts and fortifications to a larger European public and international partners together with the Dutch foundation Stichting Liniebreed Ondernemen we are organizing the second edition of the Europe-wide event 'European Fortress Day'.

2018, the European Year of Cultural Heritage, was at the basis of this initiative. In 2019 we will couple European Fortress Day to the European Heritage Days again. 'Days' indeed, since not all countries organize their Heritage Day at the same Day in September. This way your Fortress Day activity will be easier to catch on in your city or region. **We were 69 fortresses in 9 European countries doing the first EUROPEAN FORTRESS DAY 2018.** All present at the EFFORTS Congress in Venice pledged to participate in the new version of the European Fortress Day in 2019.

All EFFORTS members are invited to open your sites on a day in that month and participate. **How can you participate in European Fortress Day?**

- **PAY your EFFORTS MEMBERSHIP FEE for 2019** (www.efforts-europe/membership/). From this year on, only EFFORTS Members can participate.
- **OPEN YOUR SITE TO THE PUBLIC** You are doing this anyway probably and organize a EUROPE-linked action.
- **LOAD THE COMMUNITY** Feed the 'Linie' community (for Dutch members of SLO) or the EFFORTS community (by sending photos to info@efforts-europe.eu). We will make sure that your activity is highlighted at the international website of European Fortress Day.
- **USE THE LOGO** Insert the European Fortress Day logo in all communication material, like the EUROPEAN HERITAGE DAYS. This is free publicity and it is a fitting connection to the European fortress theme. Make an online flyer and present your activity in the online media. And of course, you can put up a banner on your website to highlight your European involvement.
- The logo can be downloaded from 1 June on via www.liniebreed.nl or via www.efforts-europe.eu
- **SEND PHOTO US MATERIAL**
- In order to make a connection between the European fortress and fortified cities and sites, we are making a short film with slides. This will enable us to present European fortifications to each other and the public. We need therefore high quality images (min. 300 DPI) and a short description of the venue and your Europe-oriented activity. Dutch members of SLO can send their material to Liniebreed Ondernemen. We can only use your photos and texts if all material carries your site information.
- **USE THE HASHTAGS** #europeanfortressday #effortseurope

IN THE NEWS :

<https://heritagetribune.eu/europe/efforts-presents-second-european-fortress-day-in-september/>

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<https://www.liniebreed.nl/nieuws/european-fortress-day>
www.europeanfortressday.eu www.efforts-europe.eu www.forten.nl



The poster for European Fortress Day 2018 features a large image of a stone fortress wall on the left. The text 'WHICH FORT WILL YOU VISIT?' is prominently displayed in the center, with 'SEPTEMBER 2018. 69 FORTRESSES IN 9 COUNTRIES' below it. The top left corner has the 'EUROPEAN FORTRESS DAY' logo. The right side of the poster lists participating countries and their respective fortresses and dates. At the bottom, there are logos for 'Powered by' (including 'Lokal EFFORTS' and the European Union flag) and the website 'WWW.EUROPEANFORTRESSDAY.EU'.

EUROPEAN FORTRESS DAY
AN EVENT BY EFFORTS | PROMOTED BY LINIEBREED

DISCOVER THE FORTS IN EUROPE

WHICH FORT WILL YOU VISIT?
SEPTEMBER 2018. 69 FORTRESSES IN 9 COUNTRIES

THE NETHERLANDS

- Forts and waterlines: all locations (8 September)
- Fortress Den Bosch (8 September)
- Fortress Bergen op Zoom (8 + 9 September)
- Oke Fort Venlo in Limburg (29 September)

BELGIUM

- Fortress belt of Antwerp: 4 fortresses (9 September)

ITALY

- Forte Marghera Venice (22 September)

CROATIA

- Pula Fortress (20 September)
- Šibenik, Fortresses Barossa and St. Michaels (21+22 September)
- Nin, Church of St. Nicholas (21 September)

GERMANY

- Zitadelle Spandau Berlin (8 + 9 September)

FRANCE

- Meudon: 14 Artilleries (15 + 16 September)

SERBIA

- Petrovaradin Fortress (29 September)

CZECH REPUBLIC

- Terezin Fortress (8 September)

LITHUANIA

- Fortress Kaunas (1, 8 and 22 September)

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2109 EFFORTS AWARD

All participants for Innovative fortification participation to the European Fortress Day compete for the annual EFFORTS Award that will be presented at the annual EFFORTS Congress. In 2018 this award went to the Šibenik Fortress of Culture, represented by Mrs. Đurđa Vrljević Šarić.

EFFORTS BOARD

At the Annual General Meeting in Venice, the new board was elected. We present to you hereby again the list new board members and their responsibilities :

- Frank Petter (Bergen op Zoom, NL): President, responsible for Operations
- Peter Ros (NL) : Vice-president, responsible for Funding (EFPN) and Membership
- Stefano Mondini (Forte Marghera, IT): Treasurer
- Huib van Olden ('s Hertogenbosch, NL) : Secretary of the Board, responsible for Governance and Nominations, Communication and EFD/Award
- Tuija Lind (Suomenlinna, FIN): responsible for Science
- Valdas Rakutis (Kaunas Museum Fortress, LT): responsible for EU Regional cooperation
- Daniele Sferra (ISAM, IT) : responsible for International cooperation
- Karen Gysen (Simon Steven Stichting, BE) : Membership, with Peter Ros and Science, with Tuija

Associate board member : Erika Farkas (HU) : responsible for Communication, with Huib van Olden.

The EFFORTS Board will convene two times in 2019 : on 23 May in Bergen op Zoom (Netherlands) and before the AGM in October / November. Subjects and requests for input in each meeting will be communicated. If you have a proposal, please contact the secretariat.

EFFORTSnapshot : Karen Gysen

is an architect, heritage consultant and urban planner. She started working as a private architect in 1993 and specialized in heritage projects. As a project manager of a strategic project on fortifications for the Province of Antwerp and the Flemish Region, 'Antwerp National Reduit', and the European projects 'At Fort' and 'Fortress and lines in cross-border perspective', she could combine these interests, coordinate urban-heritage plans and processes, cooperate with many stakeholders, in Flanders, Belgium and Europe. She has worked as a volunteer in heritage organizations : National Trust of England, Herita, *Koning Boudewijn* Foundation and various local heritage projects in Antwerp. She is also board member and representative of the organization, network and knowledge centre of Military sites in Flanders, *Simon Stevin Stichting*, the Flemish Fortification Centre. In 2017 she joined the EFFORTS board where she represents the Simon Stevin Stichting. In 2017 she joined the board and started to work as a volunteer for EFFORTS because she believes this federation can make a huge impact on policy, exchange of knowledge, partnerships and cooperation.



Next EFFORTSnapshot : Slavica Vujovic

MEETING PLACE BRUSSELS

Are you planning coming to Brussels ? Need an ad-hoc workspace for a few hours or need to make a few copies ? We are happy to receive you @ the EFFORTS office in Brussels at Trierstraat 67 rue de Trèves, 1040 Brussels (around the corner from the European Parliament). You can make an appointment at rafael.deroo@efforts-europe.eu (EU liaison). Also: if you need help contacting an EU official, service or a Member of the European Parliament or you need info on finding your way around Brussels, contact the same mail address.

EFFORTS AGENDA

- **Vauban's major sites (the 12 world heritage sites) network association meeting** in April in Brest, France - <http://www.sites-vauban.org>
- **EFFORTS next Board meeting** in Bergen op Zoom on **23 May 2019** (arrival programme in the evening of **22 May**).
- **Spring 2019 : EFFORTS participates in the meeting of the European Heritage Alliance 3.3** in Brussels.
- **EFFORTS Meeting on European cooperation in defence lines 'Between the Lines'**, organised on 16 May with our EFFORTS member Olst-Wijhe (IJssellinie). Do you have a European project idea : contact and register at EFFORTS secretariat.
- **EFFORTS member 's HERTOGENBOSCH : World Championship Archery at the city's walls** : international event related to military heritage, from 3 to 16 June 2019. More information on <https://www.archery2019.com/Archery/goto20.aspx>
- **Duffel Fort (Antwerp province) Fortification Day** : 16th June 2019. If you want to attend as a visitor, or even better as a stand holder, please contact EFFORTS member wilfried_rombauts@hotmail.com. They hope to welcome friends from Lithuania, Scandinavia, Poland.
- **EFFORTS – September 2019: Heritage Days in most parts of Europe. EFFORTS organizes for the SECOND TIME the EUROPEAN FORTRESS DAYS** : participate with your site and promote EFFORTS and EU cooperation. See above for more info.
- **EFFORTS Annual Congress and Annual General Meetings 2019 & 2020** : October-November 2019 (venue and subjects to be disclosed soon).
- EFFORTS is member of the **European Heritage Alliance 3.3** - check out the calendar : <http://europeanheritagealliance.eu/events/>
- EFFORTS is a partner of the **International Fortress Council (IFC)** : <http://www.internationalfortresscouncil.org/calendar.html>. See above on the joint meeting in January. Check there on the upcoming **Wellington Line conference** in Belgium.
- The UN **International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS)**: <https://www.icomos.org/en/about-icomos/committees/regional-activities-europe/39374-upcoming-events-save-the-date>

SEND US YOUR NEWS

Members can send the secretariat info on calls and events that are of interest to all EFFORTS members, to be published here in the newsletter or, on request, by urgent mail by the secretariat to all or a group of members. This information may become the object of a separate Newsflash. Members of EFFORTS participating in events are kindly invited to share information and send the photos they gather to the secretariat for further dissemination in the EFFORTS Newsletters.

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