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13 CULTURAL OBJECTIVES FROM ALBA COUNTY included in the National Plan for Recovery and Resilience of Romania

13 cultural objectives from Alba County will be included, for promotion and restoration, in the 12 tourist / cultural routes from the National Plan for Recovery and Resilience of Romania -

- 1. Castle route: Banffy Castle in Sâncrai
- 2. The route of villages with traditional architecture: Traditional households in Roșia Montană
- 3. The route of the fortresses: Dacian fortress from Căpâlna Săsciori
- 4. *The route of the wooden churches:* "St. Three Hierarchs"- wooden church, Goiești; The ensemble of "Pious Paraschiva" wooden Church Pianu de Sus; The ensemble of "The Ascension of the Lord" wooden Church Arieșeni; The ensemble of "St. Nicolae" wooden Church of Lupșa Monastery Valea Lupșii.
- 5. *The route of the fortified churches:* The ensemble of the Reformed Fortified Church Cricău Ighiu
- 6. Route of Saint Ladislaus: The ensemble of the Reformed Fortified Church Cricău Ighiu
- 7. *The route of Roman camps:* The camp from Zlatna, Trîmpoielele Zlatna; Roman fortification Cetățeaua Abrud
- 8. The route of the traditional Romanian gastronomy: Potecu Stânelor; Slab pies from Apuseni Țara de Piatră.













NEW BENEFITS FOR THE TREATMENT OF PATIENTS DIAGNOSED WITH COVID 19

For the purpose of healing the patients diagnosed with COVID 19, but also for the treatment of other severe acute or chronic diseases which need a therapy with oxygen, the District Emergency Hospital of Alba Iulia, which is subordinated to the District Council of Alba, purchased a high performance oxygen station, in the first half of April.

This station was bought with European Funds, through the Large Infrastructure Operational Program, which pursues to support the effects caused by the crisis, within the context of COVID 19 pandemic and its social consequences.



INTELLIGENT SOLUTIONS FOR SELECTIVE COLLECTION IN ALBA

Within Sebeş Industrial Park, ENVIPCO Romania factory was opened on May 4, offering Intelligent Solutions for Selective Collection at the highest technology.

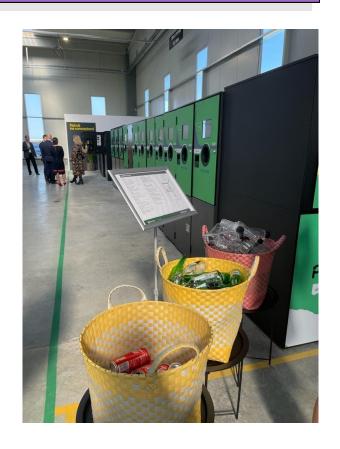
The importance of this investment in Alba County is significant because it offers efficient solutions for recycling disposable packaging, an important step for the circular economy to become a reality in Romania.

These solutions reduce waste and consume finite natural resources.

It is an opportunity for the inhabitants of the county, because it will offer, by the end of this year, 70 jobs, and the total number of jobs will be 120 by the end of 2023.

Investors have shown a wide openness to support vocational and dual education.

The pilot projects in Spring and Ciugud, successfully implemented, proved the efficiency of the proposed solutions.





137 MILLION LEI FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF COUNTY ROADS THROUGH "ANGHEL SALIGNY" NATIONAL INVESTMENT PROGRA

Alba County Council obtained a financing of over 137 million lei through "Anghel Saligny" National Investment Program for the modernization of 47 kilometers of county road.

The modernization of the county road sectors will facilitate the access of the population of Alba County to public services for increasing the quality of life, the level of education, professional training; it will also contribute to the improvement of the population' state of health, will facilitate the access to medical services, emergency interventions, social, transport and telecommunications.



- » Consolidation of the county road body **DJ 107K:** Galda de Jos (DJ107H) Mesentea Galda de Sus Măgura Poiana Galdei Modolești Întregalde Ivăniș Ghioncani DJ107I (Bârlești); ensures the connection between "Transalpina de Apuseni" and DN1- Galda de Jos and will allow the localities on the route to develop, both from a tourist, and economic point of view;
- » Rehabilitation of county road DJ 705: limit Hunedoara County Almaşu de Mijloc Almaşu Mare Zlatna (DN 74); ensures the opening for the tourist and economic development of the area;
- » Modernization and consolidation of the county road **DJ 107V:** DJ 107 Alecuş DJ 107D; ensures the connection between Ocna Mureş Blaj development poles, the opening, and the economic development of the two cities;
- » Modernization of the county road **DJ 107H:** Coşlariu Nou DN1, with the role of bypassing Teiuş and making its industrial area viable;
- » Modernization of county road **DJ 106K:** Vingard Ohaba section; ensures the increase of access to the agricultural area of Secaşelor Plateau, with a role in the economic development of the area;
- » Modernization of the county road **DJ 142N:** Căpâlna de Jos Sânmiclăuș: ensures the development of Târnava Mică area, both from a tourist, and agricultural point of view;
- » Modernization of county road **DJ 704A:** DN7 Pianu de Jos; ensures the viability of the economic development area of the old road of Pianu;
- » Bridge on **DJ 107:** km 22 + 850, Colibi locality.



ALBA – PRIGNITZ SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

Within the Cooperation Agreement signed between Alba County and Prignitz District, students and teachers of Freiherr-von-Rochow School in Pritzwalk visited, on May 9-13, Sebeş German High School.

The purpose of this visit was to develop a long-term school partnership and to carry out joint projects. The program included a series of visits and meetings to discover the history and culture of Alba County, but also common sports lessons, debates on topics related to education.





THE FIRST EDITION OF THE EDUCATIONAL OFFERS FAIR

Between May 11-12, 2022, Alba County School Inspectorate, Alba County Council and Alba County Center for Educational Resources and Assistance organized the first edition of the Educational Offers Fair. This fair was organized as an event to promote the educational offer of technological high schools in Alba County, and the offer of qualifications and trades of different companies from Alba County. The purpose of this event was to make students and parents aware of the importance of the correct and timely professional orientation of students, in order to respond to the needs of economic agents. The exhibitors were the economic operators who presented the specifics jobs through interactive company stands, and the educational units with the offer of schooling in both classic, and dual professional education.





INTERNATIONAL THEATRE FESTIVAL "POVEŞTI" - A CULTURAL ROYALTY





Alba County shone again, for seven enchanted days, being the host of a veritable cultural royal, a traditional event, which enjoys local, national and international appreciation every year. Between May 15 and 21, the 15th edition of "Povești" International Theatre Festival took place in Alba Iulia, organized by "Prichindel" Puppet Theatre and Alba County Council.

The public could enjoy performances, book launches, dialogues or conferences, exhibitions and workshops.

Maia Morgenstern, Marcel Iureş, Florin Piersic jr., Horațiu Mălăele, Chris Simion Mercurian, Mirela Oprișor, Medeea Marinescu, Răzvan Mazilu and Andi Vasluianu are just some of the big names that marked the festival this year.





Together with their colleagues "Prichindel" Puppet Theatre from Alba Iulia, artists from the country took the stage, respectively from: "Lucia Sturdza Bulandra" Municipal Theater- Bucharest, Puck Puppet Theater- Cluj-Napoca, Excelsior Theater - Bucharest, Cortina AG - Bucharest, Radu Stanca National Theater - Sibiu, Ioan Slavici Classical Theater - Arad, State Theater - Constanța, Marin Sorescu National Theater - Craiova, Andrei Mureșanu Theater - Sfântu Gheorghe, Northern Theater - Satu Mare, Mihai Eminescu National Theater - Timișoara, Stela Popescu Theater - Bucharest, I.L. Caragiale National Theater - Bucharest, ARCUB -Cultural Center of the Municipality of Bucharest, GOONG Association -Bucharest, Theater of Romanian Playwrights - Bucharest, Art Theater - Bucharest, Ion Creangă Theater - Bucharest, Act Theater - Bucharest, Theater of Country Animation - Bucharest, Merlin Children and Youth Theater - Timişoara, Târgu Mureş University of Arts, Ariel Children and Youth Theater - Târgu Mureș, Arlechino Children's Theater - Brașov, as well as from abroad: Cia el Cruce Theater Company, - Spain, Guguță Municipal Puppet Theater - Chişinău, Kabaré Púpala Marionetas - Germany and State Puppet Theater - Varna, Bulgaria.



THE FESTIVAL OF DACIAN CITADELS - THE 14TH EDITION

The Festival of Dacian Citadels, the oldest festival of ancient reenactment in Romania, now in its 14th edition and awaited equally by locals and tourists, was, for three days, a lesson in history and spectacle. On June 24, the first day of the festival, at the base from where the access to Căpâlna Dacian fortress is made, the first milestone was placed within the GRADUS LEGIONIS project, a tourist route that aims to connect Şaua Auşel Roman Camp and Căpâlna Dacian Fortress. Also on this occasion, the defenses of the fortress were formed, consisting of Dacian warriors. The festival, hosted this year by Săsciori commune, offered a diverse program that included both cultural events, reenactment shows, fights between Dacians and Romans, ancient workshops, open-air concerts, and also competitions between the strong men and the little Dacians from the Dacian fortresses from Alba.







OCNA MUREŞ SALT BATHS - FROM DREAM TO REALITY

An important step in fulfilling a dream of the inhabitants of Ocna Mureş and - why not? - of the inhabitants of Alba county was made on June 30. Reunited in a joint meeting, the county councilors and those of Ocna Mureş Local Council approved the establishment of the company that will manage the activity of the treatment and leisure Base in the locality.

The investment, worth approximately 6.7 million euros in construction and one million euros in interior equipment, specialized medical and HORECA, with equal financial participation between Ocna Mureş Local Council and Alba County Council, will soon be introduced in the tourist and spa circuit of Romania. Thus, not only will an emblematic place for the city of Ocna Mureş and for Alba County regain its brilliance under the sign of modernity, but it will be positioned as a landmark in the national tourist and spa landscape. Ocna Mureş base will serve the two components, treatment and leisure, and Ocnişoara Salt Baths, which will be redeveloped by Alba County Council for leisure purposes, will complete this landscape and give new values to the tourism in this area.







A CELEBRATION WITH TRADITION - CIUMBRUD ROSES FESTIVAL

The Roses Festival, the celebration of beauty and love, poured waves of perfume and color in Aiud, from where, on the morning of July 2, shortly after 9.00, the parade with allegorical cars, children on bicycles, motorcyclists, young people in folk costumes, all wearing the symbol of roses left to Ciumbrud, in the chords of the fanfare. The dendrological park of "Alexandru Borza" Agricultural Technological High School, where the official opening took place, in the presence of the president of Alba County Council, Ion Dumitrel, the management of Aiud City Hall, and other county and local officials, was a real exhibition of skill and passion, local producers making their stands real works of art. Organized by Alba County Council, "Augustin Bena" Culture Center, Aiud City Hall, and "Liviu Rebreanu" Aiud Multicultural Center, the Roses Festival has reached its 19th edition.











THOUSANDS OF VISITORS TO THE GIRLS' FAIR ON MOUNT GĂINA

Already a tradition, the Girls' Fair was, this year too, a real royal folklore. Held for two days, July 16-17, on a mountain plateau at an altitude of 1467 meters, the event enjoyed the presence of more than eight thousand visitors. The Girls' Fair on Mount Găina is organized every year, since ancient times, on the nearest Sunday of July 20, the day of Saint Elijah.

This year's edition brought to the public's attention



numerous activities for the preservation, capitalization and promotion of the elements of tangible and intangible cultural heritage.

Among the attractions of the fair were the stands of the 50 traditional craftsmen from Alba, Hunedoara, Cluj, Arad, Mureş, Sibiu, Vâlcea, Satu Mare, Neamţ, Argeş, Gorj, folk performances, fanfare music, or ancient, modern and contemporary dance performances.





THREE YEARS OF PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN PRIGNITZ DISTRICT AND ALBA COUNTY







Between July 7-13, in Prignitz, Germany, the partnership between Prignitz District and Alba County was celebrated, to honor the cooperation of the last three years, but also to continue the common work topics, in areas such as: regional development, nature preservation, culture.

Given that the administrator of the Prignitz District, Torsten UHE ends his mandate at the beginning of August, the management of the administration being taken over by a new team, elected following the recent local elections, a summary of the three years of cooperation between Alba and Prignitz was presented, and it was agreed to continue the collaboration started in 2019.

During the future meetings, the already started projects will be continued (tourism, culture, history) and new initiatives will be developed in education, school exchanges and economic development.

Alba County is interested in deepening the subject related to the implementation of flood protection projects in protected areas in Prignitz, especially those included in the UNESCO natural heritage, despite EU or international requirements, as well as cooperation with nature and animals protection organizations.

It also wanted to get involved and support the Romanian community living in Prignitz.



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Alba County Council aims for our county to become a pole of economic concentration, determined by productive activities that respect the environment and tourism, a comfortable place to live and an attractive destination in the European multicultural landscape.

We want Alba to become the landmark of a modern, flexible and efficient public administration, where the citizen has a central role in decision making process.

Alba County Council supports partnerships between the administration, civil society and the private sector, providing the tools through which all these parties can express themselves and develop.