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Graphical & Interactive technologies: trends and future opportunities for cultural heritage and urban regeneration

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REPLICABILITY USABILITY

SCALABILITY

SOCIAL

# INNOVATIVE COLLABORATIVE CIRCULAR SYSTEMIC

APPROACH for regeneration and adaptive reuse of historic city centres by implementing a repertoire of successful heritage-led regeneration initiatives















universities







10 cities

13

European Countries

32

International partners

36 months

## 7 ROLE MODEL CITIES

Athens (GR)
Cluj-Napoca (RO)
Eindhoven (NL)
Lyon (FR)
Liverpool (UK)
Turin (IT)
Vilnius (LT)

Knowledge sharing via: mentoring activities, work shadowing visits, webinars, Living Labs, etc.

## 3 REPLICATOR CITIES

Bologna (IT) Lisbon (PT) Skopje (MK)

**ROCK Platform (data collection and monitoring – interoperable environment)** 



**Cultural Heritage leading urban futures...** 

...a shared multi-cultural, multi-heritage and multistakeholder's city vision

...the integration of heritage-led regeneration, sustainable economic development, city promotion, and knowledge sharing.





### NETWORKING & MENTORING

1. ROCK WEB PLATFORM [CORV]



### CH & PEOPLE PERCEPTION

5. INTEGRATED CULTURAL HERITAGE ANALYTICS [VGTU]



## CREATIVE&CULTURAL HERITAGE

#### **EXPERIENCES**

2. CH EXPERIENCES [VWG]
3. PEOPLE FLOW ANALYTICS [TW/e]



#### **SAFETY**

6. LARGE CROWD MONITORING TOOL [DFRC]



#### IG TOOLS

4. CARBON FOOTPRINT CALCULATOR FOR GREEN EVENTS [JB]



## ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE

7. OUTDOOR MULTI-PARAMETER [ACCIONA]
8. OUTDOOR THERMAL COMFORT [UNIBO]
9. INDOOR MICROCLIMATE MONITORING [UNIBO]
10 THE CULTURE OF LIGHT [VBZ]







### **EDUCATION**

- GAMIFICATION
- CREATIVITY





Goal: Making past of the city visible for citizens through creation of innovative spatial experience and accessible information.

#### **City Branding:**

To find a path for these cities in order to communicate their uniqueness and protect the legacy coming from the past as an asset for the future.



#### Target group

Public authorities of the city, specifically those working on urban development, city branding and city marketing

The solution is provided as a communication guide for stakeholders working on urbanism, architecture, contemporary art, heritage management and preservation, creative industries, tourism...



#### **Technologies for Intelligent Tourism Destinations (DTI)**

- Seeking a more efficient and sustainable management and
- an increase in the quality of services and opportunities offered.



- in their pre-trip decisions,
- during their stay at the destination and
- after their trip

#### Today's tourist can:

- select their trip through interactive webs where they can obtain information in real time of the destination and plan your trip,
- download the application of the destination with geo positioning and contents in Augmented Reality on your Smartphone / Tablet or
- virtually visit Through web or virtual reality, the place where he was to recreate his experience



#### Solution

The objective of the project is to create a product (prototype) for enhancing cultural assets of municipalities. The prototype will allow to better know locations and buildings (cultural experience) of your city through a mobile application, whose content will be managed by the city representative itself.

#### **Innovation**

The main innovative features of the proposed solution are:

- Geo-localised point recognition
- Interactive graphical content management
- Advance graphical content Interaction (VR/AR)
- Creative User Experience (CUX) design accesible4all



Skopje Cultural Archipelago





## Skopje— Action 1: Skopje Cultural Archipelago Virtual guide for Old Bazaar + Virtual model of Jewish neighborhood

"Virtual guide" is a project for visualization of the historic layers, the lights and sounds of the Old Bazaar collected through a system of apps, sensors and other digital tools. The project is provides easy accessible information reinforced with augmented reality software and tools for easy to use apps for mobile smart devices. The idea is that this app would provide access to integrated information about the architectural cultural heritage at the proposed location for every potential user.

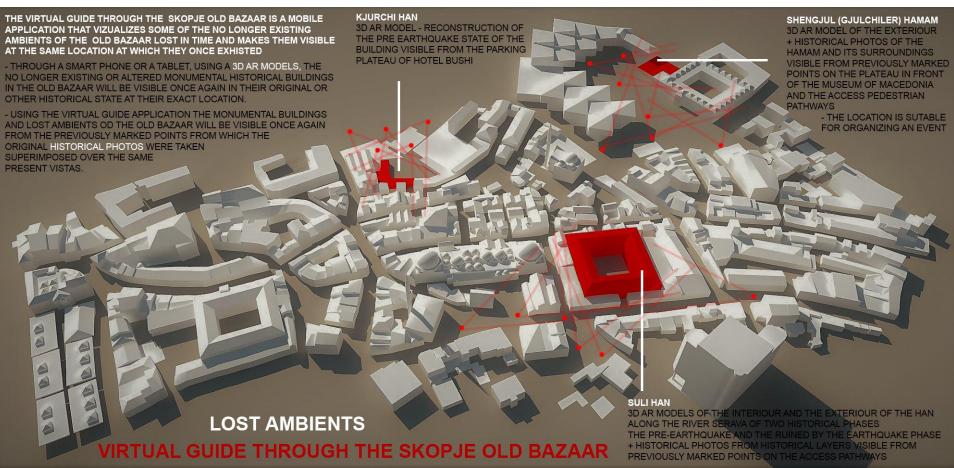


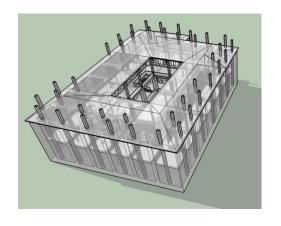
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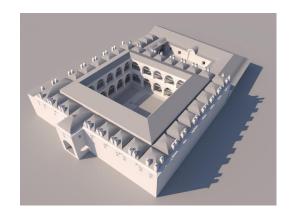
"Skopje Jewish quartier" is a project for mapping of Jewish community in Skopje and creation of virtual model of Jewish neighborhood destroyed in the WWII and in the earthquake in 1963. Virtual model will enable users to explore the life and the personal narratives and the history of its inhabitants embedded as a web platform and mobile phone application and through a dynamic navigation and VR enabling visibility and understanding of the dematerialized cultural heritage of Skopje.

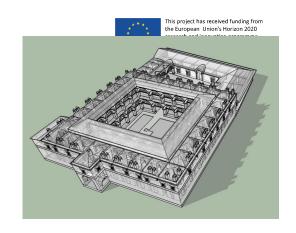




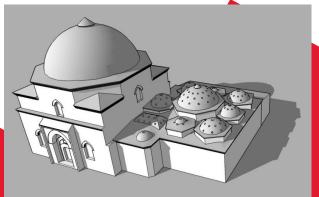




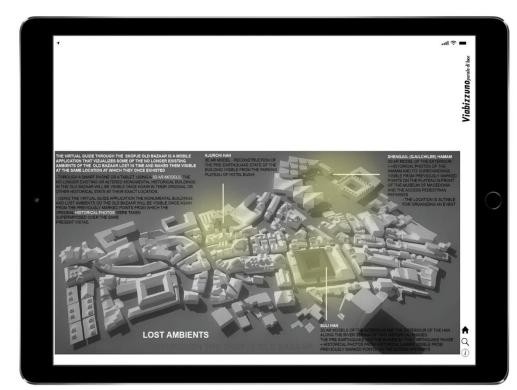












the app becomes a tool of tourist guide support:

- 1. contains the main information on individual works.
- 2. suggests one or more routes to the tourists.
- 3. allows an experience of light-driven discovery, accompanying the narration of the guide and highlights the characteristics of the works.

#### Use Case 1: Bologna

#### **Municipal Theater of Bologna**

[ Theatre website: <a href="http://www.tcbo.it/">http://www.tcbo.it/</a>]

The historic theater building overlooks Piazza Verdi,

the heart of the university area which is the subject of ROCK's interventions.



to allow those in the square to virtually access and discover the building, including the most hidden and fascinating places of the theater machine (behind the scenes, under the stalls, the lumiera, seen from the panoramic terrace...).

The user would have available a virtual tour and archive materials that represent the relevant aspects of the history of the theater, in particular:

- architectural drawings;
- historical posters;
- audio recordings;
- photographs;
- sketches of costumes for historical settings;
- virtual theater visits

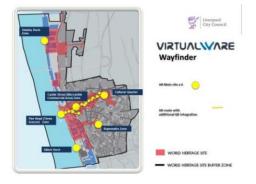




#### **Use Case 2: Liverpool**

#### 6 zonas principales de la ciudad;

- The Pier Head,
- Albert Dock, Stanley Dock / Ten Streets Area,
- Castle Street (Mercantile Commercial District),
- Cultural Quarter (William Brown Street) St
   Georges Hall &Ropewalks) +
   1 monumento representativo de cada zona



#### **Use Case 2: Liverpool**

Saint George Hall – Liverpool

[ Hall website: <a href="https://www.stgeorgeshallliverpool.co.uk/">https://www.stgeorgeshallliverpool.co.uk/</a>]

Recognized as one of the finest buildings built in the neo-classical style.

Way finder for St Georges Hall including QR route and immersive content



#### **Features:**

To allow visitors in the city to access St George's hall to utilize visual images, immersive content, Virtual reality and Augmented reality, displays, and to access interpretive information via OR code to access.

- · The worlds first commercially air-conditioned buildings
- The history of St George's Hall as the emotional heart of Liverpool
- The legal courts and their processes in Liverpool, and what it had been like to be a prisoned
   in Dickensian Liverpool
  - in Dickensian Liverpool.
- To view the Neo-classical St George's Hall, its great Hall, and the best Minton Floor in the World.
- To allow visitors to access the World Heritage Sites for Liverpool



## State of the art







## PROVIDE VALUE ACROSS SECTORS

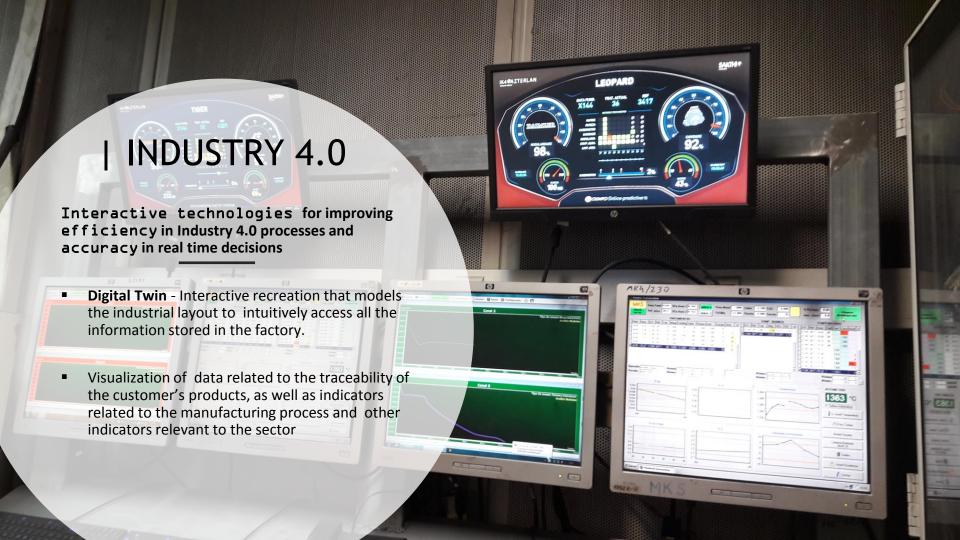
**Industry** 

Optimizing Business processes

**Cultural Heritage** 

Multiplying Audience Engagement Health

Creating Medical Value



## | INDUSTRY 4.0

Digital Security

Complex surveillance and risk management systems to enable security workers to efficiently track and control possible intrusions, alerts and breakdowns.

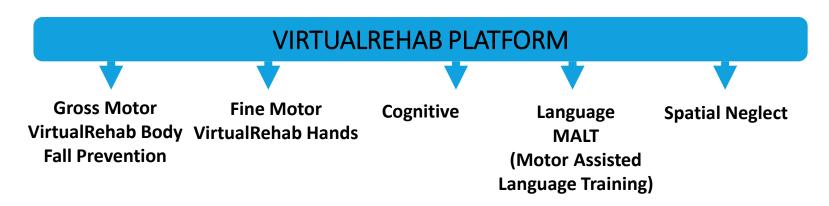
The overall system integrates cameras, sensors and analogue and digital actuators that form a **customized middleware connection** with third party hardware like those





### eHEALTH VIRTUALREHAB PRODUCTS

Our goal is to provide healthcare professionals with digital therapy tools that fit seamlessly into a multidisciplinary approach to rehabilitation. Evolv offers a suite of HW + SW products that can be used to help treat a wide variety of neurological and physical conditions for different levels of ability. These products are linked to the VirtualRehab platform allowing their use by clinicians and their patients at different phases of the care pathway both in clinical settings and in the home via telerehabilitation.



## What is next?









## **STRENGHTS**

- Multiuser and real scale VR room
  - Straightforward calibration and setup
  - Easy operation and maintenance

- Networked users
  - Absolutely tracked with technologies as: NMERSO or VIVE Pro
  - Remote control of user's equipment and content

## NMERSO (HW)

Ceiling tiles

passive absolute reference system with unique ID

Optical tracker

identify those IDs and solve positioning

VR Ready computer backpack

Rendering high quality real-time graphics

Wireless communication

Advantages:

**Low latency** 

Constant complexity while scaling up

Each user solves its own tracking





## VIROO SUIT (SW)

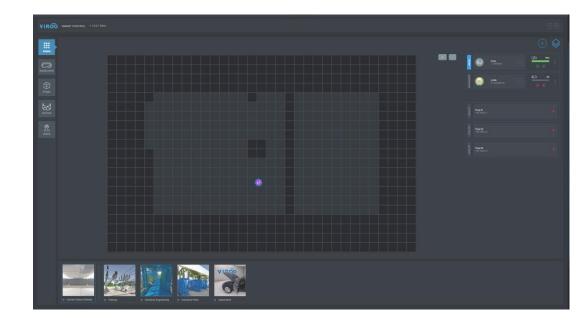
**Authoring Tool** to control the immersive room and in the virtual environment

#### Manager:

- Content launcher
- Users & Session management
- VR environment control

#### Client

Content visualization



## | R&D CHALLENGES



Communications (5G, remote communications...)



Hardware (sensors, tracking...)



Interactive Technologies (HMI, UX Standardization...)



Use Cases (Creative Industries, Industry 4.0, eHealth, ....)

## Links

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Rock project CODEC TV (ENG):

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ROCK circle (ENG):

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<u>feature=youtu.be</u>

Malerbe timelapse:

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## Thank you for your attention!

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