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A grayscale map of Europe with several 3D cubes of varying sizes placed on top of it, primarily concentrated in the Central European region. The cubes have a dark gray top face and lighter gray sides, creating a sense of depth.

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YOUMOBIL Online course

April 26, 2021, on-line



## Welcome to the YOUMOBIL course



Frank Trepte



- Please keep your microphone muted unless you are speaking.
- Use the "raise the hand" button if you wish to talk (CTRL+SHIFT+K).
- Use the chat feature to present your question during a talk or presentation (especially for questions related to MS Teams).
- Use the breaks to rest your eyes 😊.





- Software by non-EU third parties is used for the online course (Microsoft Teams) and for the course registration (Google).
- This week's joint sessions are recorded for other course participants who can't join in real-time - including screen names, participants' cams and the chat. Recordings will be deleted after 90 days.
- Minor age participants are requested to keep their camera switched off during sessions which are recorded.
- Results of the Phase 3 group work are planned to be shared on the YOUMOBIL website and social media pages.





# COURSE PROGRAM

Day one - April 26, 2 - 5 p.m.

Day two - April 27, 2 - 5 p.m.

Day three - April 29, 2 - 5 p.m. (dedicated to students)

May 1-31 - individual work of students and consultations given by UNIZA teachers

Final event - presentation of students' work - Date will be announced later.





Welcome and short introduction to YOUMOBIL project - Frank Trepte and Clemens Esser- 15 min

Introduction to reinvention of railway infrastructure worldwide - Dana Sitanyiova - 20 min

Railway stations - design, functions and reinvention process - Jana Sestakova and Zuzana Grunova - 20 min + 30 min

Break - 15 min

Best example 1 - Reinvention of railway station in Rumia - Mariusz Hybiak - 20 +10 min for discussion

Best example 2 - Reinvention of former agricultural property in rural area - Marek Turosik - 20 +10 min for discussion





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## Introduction to reinvention of railway infrastructure



Dana Sitányiová and Frank Trepte



# CONTENT

Abandoned rail  
infrastructure

Reinvention of  
railway stations

Examples of best  
practice





# ABANDONED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE

Abandoned (or disused) railway stations are buildings or structures which were constructed to serve as a railway stations but have fallen into disuse.

There are various circumstances when this may occur:

- a railway company may fall bankrupt,
- the station may be closed due to the failure of economic activity or insufficient passenger numbers,
- operational reasons such as the diversion or replacement of the line.





# ABANDONED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE

In some instances, the railway line may continue in operation while the station is closed.

Additionally, stations may sometimes be relocated along the route of the line to new premises - examples of this include opening a replacement station nearer to the centre of population, or building a larger station on a less restricted site to cope with high passenger numbers.





# THE TITANIC OF THE PYRENEES

Canfranc International railway station is a former international railway station in the village of Canfranc in the Spanish Pyrenees.  
**THE MOST BEAUTIFUL ABANDONED TRAIN STATION?**



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jwlwpf0I\\_zs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jwlwpf0I_zs)





# DO YOU KNOW THEY USED TO BE STATIONS?





# REINVENTION PROJECTS - WPT2

The poor quality of the rail infrastructure (e.g. stations or wagons) contributes to a bad image of PT.

YOUMOBIL partners facilitate concerted actions of local stakeholders, foremost young people, to bring new life to selected rural towns' stations, aiming to make those access points to wider PT networks more attractive.





# WORK DONE

WPT2 - TIMELINE	2019												2020					
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6			
Activities																		
A.T2.1 - Site portfolios		Template			Portfolios													
A.T2.2 - Workshop series					Guidelines	W1		W2				W3						
A.T2.3 - Feasibility studies													Common criteria					
A.T2.4 - Good practice													GP research	School programme	Draft policy recommendation			
A.T2.5 - Pilot actions																		
A.T2.6 - Policy recommendations																		
I1 - Demonstration project Brezno																		



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# GOOD PRACTICE TO REINVENT PUBLIC TRANSPORT ACCESS POINTS

Architecturally and historically notable station buildings may present a problem if they are protected under building preservation laws but fall into disuse.

Such buildings are often very abandoned or simply demolished or they may be preserved as part of a heritage railway.

Many former railway lines, railway buildings or rail carriages were converted and now they have new functions.

Good practice research documentation (4/2020) presents 27 reinvention cases especially throughout Europe, but also worldwide.





# PRIVATE RESIDENCES

In rural areas, especially in UK, former railway station buildings are often converted into private residences.





# TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

Some former railway lines were repurposed as managed nature reserves, trails or other tourist attractions - for example Hellfire Pass in Thailand, known as Death Railway. It was built with forced labor during the Second World War, in part by Allied prisoners of war. The pass is noted for the harsh conditions and heavy loss of life suffered by its laborers during construction.





# TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

San Cipriano's residents have invented the brujitas - old motorbikes attached to wooden platforms with benches on them





# CYCLING PATHS



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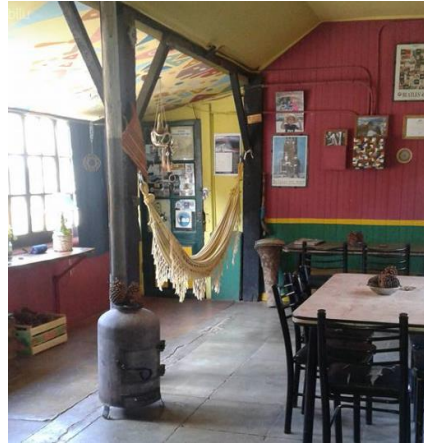


# RESTAURANTS AND CAFES





# HOTELS AND HOSTELS





# MUSEUMS





# CULTURAL CENTRES

Conferences, concerts, festivals, exhibitions, workshops (theatre, art, dance and photography), as well as various activities for community including children and seniors are organized there.





# COMMUNITY CENTER FOR AGROECOLOGICAL SUPPLY - ARGENTINA

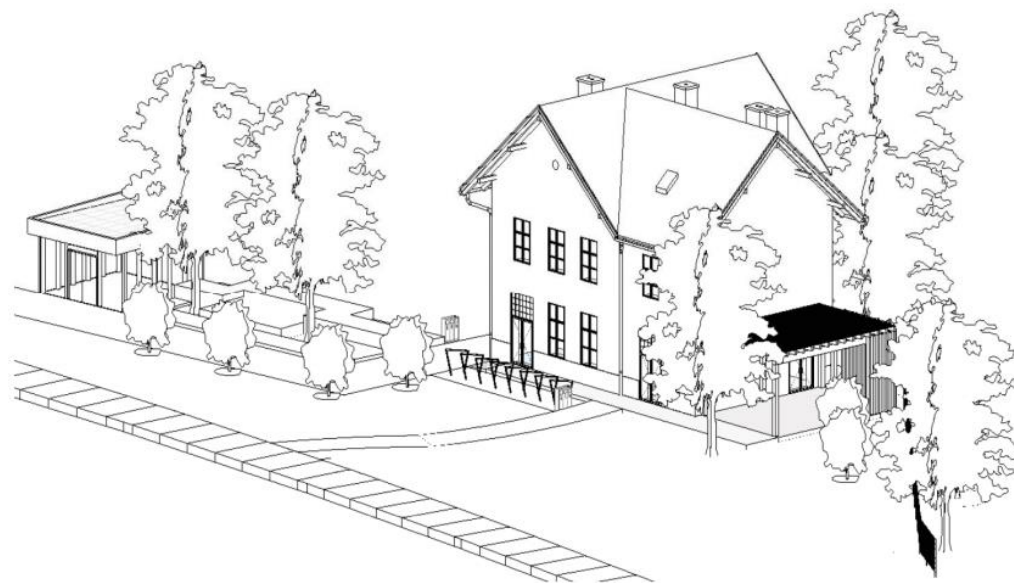




# I1 - DEMONSTRATION PROJECT IN BREZNO

Brezno is a small district town located in the middle of Slovakia just under of the mountain of Nízke Tatry and is a main access point to rural area Horehronie and national parks.

One of the main means of “how to get there” is a train.





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