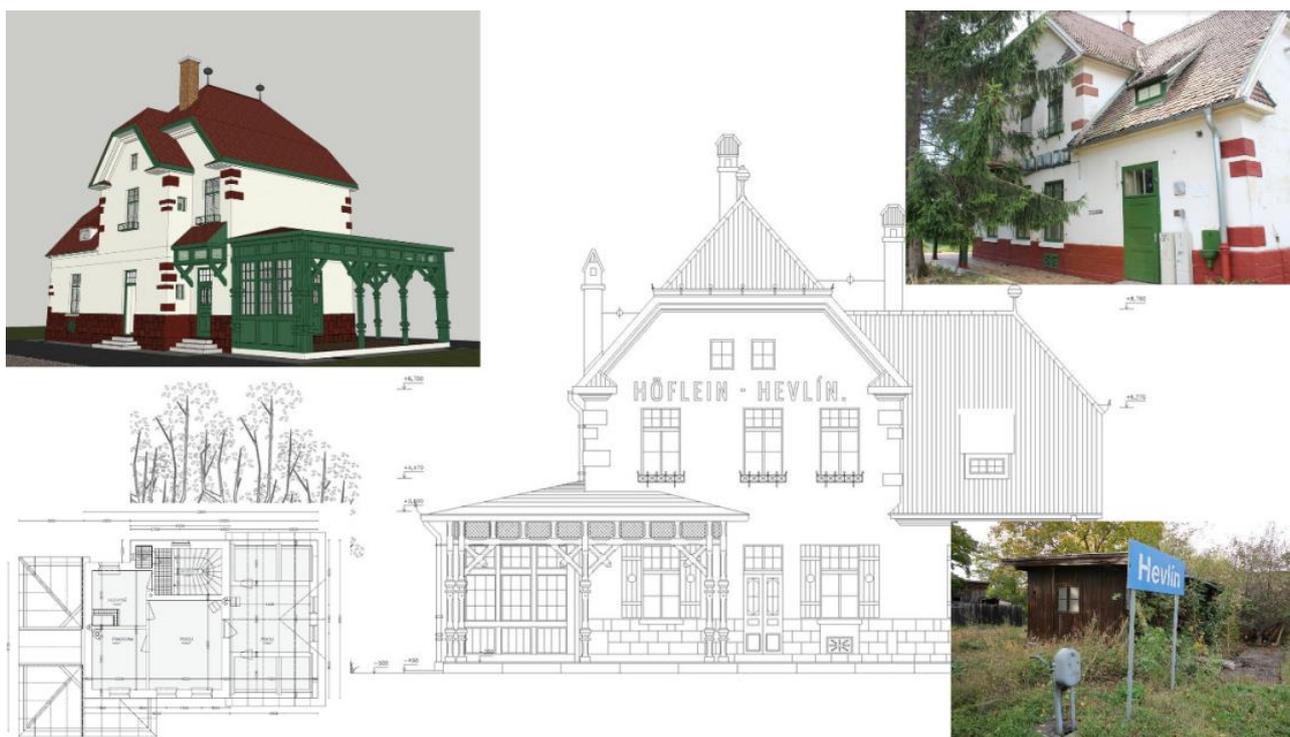


YOUMOBIL ONLINE COURSE

Course Launch

April 26 - 29, 2021

Course organiser: University of Žilina together with YOUMOBIL partners





Give new life for small railway stations - gateways to the countryside!

The YOUMOBIL Online course organised by YOUMOBIL consortium will look at redundant, unused or abandon railway infrastructure especially small railway stations situated in rural areas. It will address the question of how this heritage can be reinvented with the aim to improve the life of local people and region. The course aims to enhance the participants' ability to understand the way of reinvention on the meso-level of settlements (urban planning), and the micro-level of buildings with special focus on adaptive reuse of buildings.

Speakers from different EU countries will bring experiences with successful cases and best practices which will serve as a basis for discussion among participants during the sessions. Students will be later invited to take the role of the decision-makers and designers as they will analyse the situation at YOUMOBIL partners' sites and work individually or in groups with the aim to prepare proposals for buildings reinvention. Tutors from academia will help students when developing their ideas providing them by personal one-to-one or group consultations on their case studies.

Course structure:

The course is divided into four phases:

Phase 1 (April 26 - 27, 2021) focuses on the theoretical base and presentation of best practice. The program of both days will be organised during 3 hours in the afternoon (2 - 5 p. m.) composed of individual sessions. The sessions will be strongly case-centred and focus on practices and discussion among participants.

Phase 2 (April 29, 2021) will be organised as the afternoon session (2 - 5 p. m.), where students will learn how to use user friendly web based 3D modelling computer program for a wide range of drawing applications such as architectural, interior design, landscape architecture, civil engineering, film or video game design.

Phase 3 (May 1 - May 31) lasts one month and is about students' work with the aim to prepare proposals for adaptive reuse of railway stations at partners' sites, addressing especially their economic and social potential, their protection, redevelopment, and the issue of sustainability. During this phase student will work individually or in groups (according to their preference), building on their individual experience and learning, and share their progress and findings with other groups and tutors. They are expected to prepare presentations of their projects at the end of the course in a digital form (e.g. poster, video, ppt presentation). Different materials as tutorials and guidelines will be available during the course. Tutors will be available for individual or group consultations.

Phase 4 (The date will be announced later depending on Covid -19 pandemic situation). Students will present their case studies during final event including award ceremony.

Format:

The course will be held online in MStears. Course participants will get access to different materials and tools for group discussions and one-to-one consultations to facilitate mutual knowledge exchange in accordance with the mission of the course.

Course leader:

Dr. Zuzana Grůňová - an architect, graduated from the Faculty of Architecture of Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava, mainly engaged in restoration projects and historical architecture, including cultural monuments in Slovakia. Architecture and urbanism are the main topics of her research and educational activities including the lifelong learning programs of the University of Žilina.



Target group: high school or university students in the arts, social sciences, design, architecture, civil engineering or anyone with an interest in placemaking and urban studies. Course is also suitable for different working professionals with a desire to improve their skills or share knowledge in this field.

Credits info: Upon successful completion of the programme, students who wish to earn credits will receive an official transcript stating the course taken 2 ECTS credits earned and grades obtained.

Fee info: YOUMOBIL Online course is free of charge.

[Online registration will start in April. We will invite you to register soon.](#)