



The Phoenicians' Route
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**Internships on the Phoenicians' Route within the
"QUEST" Project**

Within the Erasmus+ "QUEST – Promoting QUality intErnships in Sustainable Tourism and Cultural Heritage Management" project, 18 students from three partner universities in Croatia, Spain, and Cyprus carried out internships at the Phoenicians' Route management offices in Sicily and at partner organisations across the Mediterranean. The initiative aimed to strengthen students' employability in the tourism sector by providing practical experience in sustainable tourism and cultural heritage management.

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**Best Practice Award on "Transmission and
innovation: Fostering youth participation"**

On the occasion of the 13th Annual Advisory Forum on Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe, held in Visegrád, Hungary, on September 25th – 27th, 2024, the Phoenicians' Route has been selected and awarded the recognition of best practice on the topic of this year: "Transmission and innovation: Fostering youth participation along the Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe" for its activities dedicated to young people carried out for more than twenty years, and in particular for the opportunity to experience an internship in territories that are members of the Route in the framework of the QUEST project.

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10th International Historic Cities Congress in Solin, Croatia

The Phoenicians' Route was partners of the 10th International Historic Cities Congress, organised by the Solin Tourist Board, member of the Phoenicians' Route, Hotel President Solin and the City of Solin from October 22nd to 25th. Sponsors include the Ministries of Culture and Tourism of Croatia. The event was organised under the motto "Meet, share & build".

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XVII Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue on the Phoenicians’ Route in Spain

On November 15th and 16th, the 2024 General Assembly took place in the framework of the XVII Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue on the Phoenicians’ Route in Chiclana de la Frontera and El Puerto de Santa Maria (Spain). The General Assembly took place in the impressive setting of the Wine and Salt Interpretation Centre of the Municipality of Chiclana de la Frontera and it was a valuable opportunity to take stock of current activities and strategies to be implemented in the near future, in line with the action plan.

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Calendar of the next events:

January

- 22–24 January – FITUR – International Tourism Fair, Madrid (Spain)

February

- 12–14 February – SMARTIES for SMEs Project, Capacity Building – Valletta (Malta)

March

- 14–16 March – Event on Peace and Intercultural Dialogue – Selinunte (Sicily)
- 21–22 March – 18th Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue on the Phoenicians’ Route – International General Assembly 2025 – Marsala (Sicily)
- 25–28 March – Solin (Croatia): International Congress of Historical Cities

April

- 2–4 April – SMARTIES for SMEs Project, Capacity Building – Funchal (Madeira, Portugal)
- 29 April – SMARTIES for SMEs Project, Capacity Building – Pesaro (Marche, Italy)

May

- 6–8 May – NEXT ROUTES Project, Transnational Project Meeting – Zagreb (Croatia)
- 19–21 May – MED-Routes Project, Transnational Project Meeting – Castellón de la Plana (Spain)

June



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