SHiFT COST Action

WORKSHOP - ESTRELA UNESCO GLOBAL GEOPARK



Framework

The COST Action SHIFT has promoted the creation of a transdisciplinary Hub of researchers and professionals in the social and human sciences, along with their extended networks, to address the challenges in promoting timely social transformations in response to climate change. The main activities include knowledge exchange on critical practices, expanding inclusive and interdisciplinary networks and cooperation, and improving the ability to transfer best practices through communication and co-creation.

This document presents the proposed programme for the COST Action SHiFT Workshop to be held in the UNESCO Global Estrela Geopark territory, from 14th to 15th October 2024.

Workshop Programme and Key Elements to Explore

14th October

Departure from hotels - 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

(Meeting points will be arranged according to participants' accommodation and communicated in advance)

1. Penhas Douradas Meteorological Observatory and 1881 Expedition

Interpretive hike:

- Penhas Douradas Meteorological Observatory
- Fragão do Corvo
- Seixo Branco
- Vale das Éguas
- Vale do Rossim

With contributions by Luís Antero (1881, Soundscapes)

Lunch - Vale do Rossim

2. São Lourenço and the History of Forestry Services in Manteigas

Interpretive hike:

- History of human occupation of the territory
- Pastoral activity and the practice of transhumance
- The intervention of Forest Services between 1888–1940
- Forest fires and resilience to fire, coincidentally or not, resulting from the landscape mosaic promoted by this history of intervention

3. The Philharmonic Bands of Manteigas

Drawing on the history of the two philharmonic bands, explore elements that shape the cultural identity of Manteigas.

Roundtable discussion on how this identity can contribute (and hinder) the search for solutions for the territory's resilience.

Performance by both bands

(Open event for the general public)

15th October

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4. Burel Factory

The wool industry was of great significance in the Serra da Estrela region until the late 20th century, supported by the production of traditional products from the area, such as burel or papa blankets. In Manteigas, the Burel Factory and Ecolã have been working to preserve this heritage, with innovation and design playing a key role in their work.

5. Quinta da Taberna

Quinta da Taberna is an isolated site within the parish of Videmonte, home to one of the most significant geosites in the UNESCO Global Estrela Geopark. It also has a long history of human occupation, with relevance during the Roman period and curious recent events, such as the story of José Neto, who carved his memories into the walls of houses. The surrounding landscape still illustrates the demographic challenges of the area and the effects of climate change.

Lunch - Videmonte

6. Videmonte

Stories of resilience - encounters with individuals who have life stories of resilience related to the territory.

Final sharing session among participants.

Estimated end of programme at 5:00 PM in Videmonte.

Transport, with arrival at the train station at 6:00 PM and in Manteigas at 6:40 PM.

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