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## ACTIVITY REPORT

Please submit this Activity Report together with the Payment Claim for the same six-month Phase. Please enclose all supporting documents listed as annex in your Activity Report.

### I. GENERAL PROJECT DATA

<b>Project Number:</b>	C050
<b>Project Title:</b>	SEPTENTRION: From the Fortified to the Sustainable Town – The Low Country
<b>Lead Partner Name:</b>	Département du Nord
<b>Country:</b>	France
<b>Start Date:</b>	3rd May 2001
<b>End Date:</b>	7 <sup>th</sup> April 2007

### II. REPORTING PHASE

<b>Activity Report Number:</b>	<b>03</b>
<b>Total Number of Phases:</b>	6
<b>Date of Submission:</b>	February 15th 2005
<b>Reference Date:</b>	May 01 <sup>st</sup> 2004 – November 30th 2004

### III. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Boxes can be expanded, but please do not use more than two pages for the Executive Summary.

**Summary of the main activities and outcomes. This section should also be used to report on the experience and added-value of working transnationally. It should also include problems encountered and the ways they were overcome.**

#### 1. MAIN ACTIVITIES

- For this 2<sup>nd</sup> phase, all activities have finally started (Cultural Territory / Communication / UNESCO; Town and City Logs; Interpretation Centres; Town and City Projects; Forts and Lights).

[General Agenda of the project from June to November 2004: for more specific information on the partner's agenda, have a look on the annexd documents.](#)

- **June :**
  - **Study Visit in Paris** June 15<sup>th</sup> – 28 persons
  - **Focus Group**, June 4<sup>th</sup> - Le Quesnoy, 50 persons
  - **Focus Group**, June 9<sup>th</sup> - Ieper, 20 persons
  - **Focus Group**, June 10<sup>th</sup> - Brussels, 15 persons
  - **Focus Group**, June 28<sup>th</sup> - Maastricht, 15 persons
  - **Focus Group**, June 29<sup>th</sup> - Denbosch, 15 persons
  - **Forts & Lights**: Maubeuge (June 26<sup>th</sup>)
- **July :**
  - **Study Visit in Ieper**, July 8<sup>th</sup> – 27 persons
  - **Forts & Lights**: Bouchain (July 4<sup>th</sup>) – 5 000 persons
  - **Forts & Lights**: Le Quesnoy (July 10<sup>th</sup>) – 10 000 persons
  - **Management meeting** (communication plan, Big Meeting n°2) CG59-CAUE59-CIR, Lille – July 20<sup>th</sup>
- **August:**
  - **Forts & Lights**: Gravelines (August 28<sup>th</sup>) – 10 000 persons
- **September:**
  - **Forts & Lights**: Condé-sur l'Escaut (September 11<sup>th</sup>), 3 000 persons
  - **Forts & Lights**: Maastricht (September 11<sup>th</sup>), 10 000 persons
  - **Big Meeting n°2 in Maastricht** (September 08-09 & 10<sup>th</sup>), 80 persons
  - **Study Trip of Gemeente Maastricht in Lille** on "Transport inter-modality and sustainable mobility in Fortified Cities", (September 28-29<sup>th</sup>), 30 persons
  - **Management meeting** (communication plan, Bilateral Conventions) CG59-CAUE59-CIR, Lille – September 27<sup>th</sup>
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, co-ordination of Walloons partners) CG59-Espace Environnement, Charleroi – September 28<sup>th</sup>
- **October:**
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City Council of Condé sur l'Escaut, October 12<sup>th</sup>, Condé sur l'Escaut.
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City Council of Bouchain, October 12<sup>th</sup>, Bouchain.
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City Council of Aire sur la Lys, October 12<sup>th</sup>, Aire sur la Lys.
  - **Management meeting** (communication plan, Bilateral Conventions) CG59-CAUE59-CIR, Lille – October 13<sup>th</sup>
  - **Management meeting** (Focus Groups, Bilateral Conventions, Forts and Lights evaluation) CG59- CIR, Lille – October 14<sup>th</sup>
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Conventions, city project) CG59- City Council

- of Landrecies, October 21<sup>th</sup>, Landrecies
- **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City of Aire sur la Lys, October 26<sup>th</sup>, Aire sur la Lys
- **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City of Saint-Omer, October 26<sup>th</sup>, Saint-Omer.
- **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City of Watten, October 26<sup>th</sup>, Watten.
- **November:**
  - **Management meeting** (communication plan, preparation of the Mid Term Event) CG59-CAUE59-CIR, Lille – November 02<sup>nd</sup>
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City of Bergues, November 03<sup>rd</sup>, Bergues.
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City of Gravelines, November 03<sup>rd</sup>, Gravelines.
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – Communauté de Commune de Montreuil sur Mer, November 03<sup>rd</sup>, Montreuil sur Mer.
  - **Mid Term Event in Lille**, November 18-19<sup>th</sup>. Presentation of project Septentrion.
  - **Management meeting** (communication plan) CG59-CAUE59-CIR, Lille – November 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City of Cambrai, November 22<sup>th</sup>, Cambrai
- **December :**
  - **Management meeting** (Bilateral Convention, city project) CG59 – City of Maubeuge, December 1<sup>st</sup>, Maubeuge

**XXX = broad public events / XXX = technical meetings / XXX = general meetings among partners / XXX = citizenship awareness / XXX = technical study visits**

#### Co-ordinations: Département du Nord – CAUE59 - CIR

- **Département du Nord (CG59)** is monitoring all actions (1, 2, 3, 4 & 5) and is in charge of an efficient administrative management of the project with the essential role of co-ordinating actions, finances and partners. The main progress is certainly the recruitment of the management team based in the Conseil Général. The team is including now 04 persons :
  1. **Freddy Dolphin (civil servant CG59)**: Project Manager: +33 3 20 63 46 92 / +33 6 61 41 25 19 [fdolphin@cg59.fr](mailto:fdolphin@cg59.fr) . As project manager, he is following and managing the global activity of the Management Team. On a daily base, he is the political representative of the Département du Nord. He is in close relation with the Director of the Culturel Service and with the team of the Président of Conseil Général du Nord. Also, when we have general meetings, he is managing the discussions and guaranteeing the decision making processes.
  2. **Catherine Fallara (civil servant CG59)**: Project Co-ordinator n°1: +33 3 20 13 42 97 [cfallara@cg59.fr](mailto:cfallara@cg59.fr). As project co-ordinator, she is in charge of all the legal, administrative and financial relations with the partners. She is closely working with the co-ordination partners CAUE & CIR. She is also mobilizing the internal departments of the Conseil Général du Nord, such as the Information & Technology department, the communication department (communication plan, Extranet project, Logo...), the department in charge of European Affairs and the financial department. Since she arrived on August 1<sup>st</sup> 2004, she dedicated a lot of time to the Bilateral Conventions (between the Département du Nord & each partner). She also tried to fix the financial procedures, particularly within the Département du Nord budget.
  3. **Bertrand Wert (CIR employee)**: Project Co-ordinator n°2 (Information Officer): +33 3 20 13 43 52 [bwert@cg59.fr](mailto:bwert@cg59.fr). As project co-ordinator in charge of the communication and the monitoring of the partner (information officer), he is working on the internal communication and on the administrative reports for the Secretariat. He is also in charge of the management of different events, such as Big Meetings, study visits. Due

to his relation with the CIR, he is following the focus groups managed by Dr. David Alcaud and the evaluation process of the Forts and Lights events.

A special convention has been signed between the CG59 and the CIR for his position.

He is employed by the CIR, but he is working three days a week within the Septentrion management team in Lille.

4. **Joséphine Pina Tavano (contract public employee):** Administrative Officer: +33 3 20 13 42 98 [jptavano@cg59.fr](mailto:jptavano@cg59.fr). As administrative officer, she is in charge of the administrative aspects and backs the management team on different issues. She is particularly working on the financial reports of the partners.

- **The CAUE59** is mainly working on the Action 1 “Cultural Territory, Communication and UNESCO”. Also, It leads Action 2 “Town and City Log Books”, and it is co-managing, with CG59, Action 3 “Interpretation Centre”.
  - Writing down of the terms of references of the project of collaborative Extranet in co-operation with the IT department of the Département du Nord. The CAUE59 has collaborated a lot on the communication plan project with the Communication department of the Département du Nord
  - The CAUE59 has implemented an “Observatory of the Urban Projects of the Cities of the Septentrion Territory OUPCST”, in regards of the spatial objectives of the sustainable development. His first outcome is the publication of the town of Le Quesnoy Log Book. The CAUE59 is also monitoring the city projects of Watten, Lille, Le Quesnoy and Gravelines.
  - The project of interpretation/understanding paths is in process. It is named « Indications in the city », and it has been implemented in the city of Lille.
  - The CAUE59 has exchanged methodologies with the CAUE62 (Département du Pas de Calais) in order for them to follow the tree towns of the Département du Pas de Calais. The CAUE59 is continuing its exchange of methodology with the other partners, particularly on the city log books, which should be all finished for Big Meeting n°3 in Brussels (June 2005).
  - The CAUE59 has started an urban study with the University of Lille 3 – Research Centre GERICO – on the topic of “Interpreting/Understanding the city”.
  - The CAUE59 with Philippe Vanderghote from the leper city and other partners started a project dedicated to the educational questions on the fortified patrimony. They already organised several activities, such as (extract of the leper’s activity report; see in annex):
    - A guided tour of a group of 11 year olds on their last schoolday (25/06/04). By doing this, it could be established that although children are open for historical and other information at this age, the schools lack the means to provide the tools for the interpretation of our past. From this established fact stems the initiative of providing a “history and nature” brochure for all pupils of our home town, focusing on local history and the role played by man in the creation of the landscape that surrounds us. Work on this brochure has started (choosing form etc.) and redaction work will start in the course of the month of December 2004. It is expected that the brochure will be ready by June 2005.
    - A teacher training college (RENO Torhout) started working on a brochure for school trips to leper. A meeting with the students working on this theme was held in leper on October 15th. Six Students and their lector attended the meeting and the guided tour.
    - The city of leper established a contact with the town of Le Quesnoy and the CAUE59 on the subject of interpretation and education. A note was created on this subject setting out the requirements for an educational project and is attached hereto as Exhibit 2 (see in annex, leper’s activity report).
  - The CAUE59 has organised three study visits in order to enhance the partnership and to give new perspectives/ideas:
    - In Luxemburg, May 16th – 23 persons
    - In Paris June 15th – 28 persons
    - In leper, July 8th – 27 persons
- **The CIR** is directly supporting the Département du Nord Management team. In the same time, it is fully involved in Action 1 “Cultural Territory, Communication and UNESCO” by organising successful Focus Groups (sociological approach) in France, Belgium and The

Netherlands, and brings a substantial help on the overall coordination. The following Focus Groups have been organized:

- o June 4<sup>th</sup> - Le Quesnoy, 50 persons
- o June 9<sup>th</sup> - Ieper, 20 persons
- o June 10<sup>th</sup> - Brussels, 15 persons
- o June 28<sup>th</sup> - Maastricht, 15 persons
- o June 29<sup>th</sup> - Denbosch, 15 persons

## 2. EXPERIENCE AND ADDED-VALUE OF WORKING TRANSNATIONALLY

The added-value is well expressed by the partners in their activity reports joined into the annex. But more specifically, we can establish a list of remarkable added-value on different actions:

- During the general meetings and technical/thematic meetings among partners, they have the opportunity to learn and to exchange ideas about urban management.
- For the Forts & Lights public events, several partners travelled into the different towns in order to assist and to evaluate the outcome of those events. This gave ideas to Maastricht and S'Hertogenbosch, which organized their Forts & Lights events in September and December 2004.
- All French partners were very impressed by the inner-city transport framework in S'Hertogenbosch and Maastricht, particularly with the large pedestrian areas. Similarly, the partners were all impressed by the inter-modality of the transport system in Lille, with the site of Lille-Europe which is bordering the Old-Town; near by the Porte de Roubaix, which was renewed with the financial backing of the Septentrion project (Investment n°III-1). The Gemeente Maastricht (including the mayor in person) decided to organize a special two days study visit in Lille on September 28-29<sup>th</sup>.

## 3. PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED AND WAYS OF OVERCOME

- **Financial problems:** despite our efforts to inform internally of the Département du Nord all the departments related to financial aspects, up to now Septentrion is still confronted with three major dysfunctions: *Firstly*, the "Payeur départemental"/account manager of Département du Nord doesn't want to apply the European rules of the Interreg IIIB program as far as he doesn't have the agreement of the Finance Ministry in Paris. *Secondly*, he wanted to audit all the financial reports of the Septentrion project, despite the fact that the Septentrion management team is already doing the work since the first payment claim. This could result in more delay in the payments to partners of ERDF funds received by the Lead partner. *Thirdly*, at that time, the management team still doesn't know if the financial framework it tried to implement internally will be maintained in 2005. It is using a special budget line which is independent of the general budget of Département du Nord, the "compte 444"/"budget line n°444", but due to the new public account norms, this budget line could disappear in the coming years. After several weeks of delay from October 2004, when Département du Nord received the first ERDF funds, we found a solution. On presentation of an administrative certificate, the account manager was able to pay the ERDF funds to the partners.

**Please refer to the annex where you will find an activity report written by each partners (based on questions in order to facilitate the answers and in order to have a common frame of knowledge), excluding for this activity report n°3 the cities of: Charleroi, Lanaken and Landrecies.**

## IV. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ACTION PLAN

Please fill in one box per action as listed in the Action Plan of your Application Form. Copy and paste the boxes for as many actions as you have to report on. Boxes can be expanded, but please do not use more than 2 pages per action.

Phase 0

Preparation April 2002 – September 2003

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Phase 1 Part a

September 2003 – January 2004 (Phase 1 a & b: September 2003 – May 2004)

Action Number	Action Title (according to the Action Plan)	Planned Results/Outcome (according to the Action Plan)
<b>Action I</b>	<b>Cultural Territory/Communication/Unesco</b>	Phase 1, part a: September 2003 – January 2004 Action 1.1 General Approach Action 1.2 Kick-off Transnational Meeting in Lille (co-presentation by CIR – CAUE of the North Department) Action 1.3 Transnational Studies Action 1.4 Communication Action 1.5 UNESCO Action 1.6 CIR - Focus Groups
<b>Action II</b>	<b>Town and City Logs</b>	Phase 1, part a: September 2003 – January 2004
<b>Action III</b>	<b>Interpretation Centres</b>	Phase 1, part a: September 2003 – January 2004
<b>Action IV Investment n°1</b>	<b>Action IV: Town and City Projects</b>	Phase 1, part a: September 2003 – January 2004
<b>Action V</b>	<b>Forts and Lights</b>	Phase 1, part a: September 2003 – January 2004
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**Phase 1 Part b February 2004 – May 2004**

Action Number	Action Title (according to the Action Plan)	Planned Results/Outcome (according to the Action Plan)
<b>Action I</b>	<b>Cultural Territory/Communication/Unesco</b>	<b>Phase 1, part b: February 2004 – May 2004</b> <b>Action 1.1 General Approach</b> <b>Action 1.2 Kick-off Transnational Meeting in Lille (co-presentation by CIR – CAUE of the North Department)</b> <b>Action 1.3 Transnational Studies</b> <b>Action 1.4 Communication</b> <b>Action 1.5 UNESCO</b> <b>Action 1.6 CIR - Focus Groups</b>
<b>Action II</b>	<b>Town and City Logs</b>	<b>Phase 1, part b: February 2004 – May 2004</b>
<b>Action III</b>	<b>Interpretation Centres</b>	<b>Phase 1, part b: February 2004 – May 2004</b>
<b>Action IV Investment n°1</b>	<b>Action IV: Town and City Projects</b>	<b>Phase 1, part b: February 2004 – May 2004</b>
<b>Action V</b>	<b>Forts and Lights</b>	<b>Phase 1, part b: February 2004 – May 2004</b>
<b>- DONE -</b>		

**Phase 2 June 2004 - November 2004**

Action Number	Action Title (according to the Action Plan)	Planned Results/Outcome (according to the Action Plan)
<b>Action I</b>	<b>Cultural Territory/Communication/Unesco</b>	<b>Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004</b>
<b>Action I.1</b>	Writing and signature of the <b>bilateral conventions between the Lead applicant and the partners</b>	<b>Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004</b>
<p><b>Description of how the action was implemented</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>The Département du Nord – Septentrion Management Team:</b>                      Beyond the general Convention, signed between the 23 partners in December 2003 during the Kick-off meeting in Lille (which officially launched the project), the bilateral conventions are framing the legal and financial relations between the Lead applicant and each partner.                       For information, we joined an example of a bilateral convention (non-final) in annex (Doc.33). It is the one between Département du Nord and Région Bruxelles-capitale.</li> <li><b>The CAUE59</b> is mainly working on the Action 1 “Cultural Territory, Communication and UNESCO”. Also, It leads Action 2 “Town and City Log Books”, and it is co-managing, with CG59, Action 3 “Interpretation Centre”.  <b>The CIR</b> is directly supporting the Département du Nord Management team. A special</li> </ul>		



convention has been signed between the CG59 and the CIR for the position of Bertrand Wert. He is employed by the CIR, but he is working three days a week within the Septentrion management team in Lille.

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- **The CAUE62** is helping the cities of the Département du Pas de Calais (Saint-Omer, la Communauté de Communes du Montreuillois & Air-sur-la-Lys)

### Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved

For the first draft, we had an exchange of methodology with the Interreg IIIB project "Encourage" with the help of ENTP (European New-Towns Platform). This first draft has been adapted by the management team to the Septentrion project, and presented to the partners during Big Meeting n°2 in Maastricht, in September 2004.

From October to December 2004, the management team went to meet all the French partners and most of the Belgian one (Espace Environnement, Bruxelles capitale, Ieper and Charleroi (postponed to February 2005)). The aims of these visits were to present the text of the bilateral convention and to get some news about the partner's actions and agendas of implementation. During these meetings, we had the opportunity to meet the Mayors, Councillors and the civil servants in charge of Septentrion. In the same time, we also visited the local projects (see photos below)



The Septentrion Management Team visiting the City Council of Condé-sur-l'Escaut (10.12.04)



The Septentrion Management Team visiting the City Council of Bouchain (10.12.04)

The Septentrion management team is now waiting for the approval of the legal department of Département du Nord, regarding the bilateral conventions. Once the agreement obtained, they will be signed by the Département du Nord and each partner. We should be ready for the next plenary session of Département du Nord in March 2005.

### Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan



We did not indicate this action: bilateral convention in the original action plan.

**Supporting annex (submitted with this report)**

No.	Title/Label	Comment
Doc.33	Convention entre le CG59 et la région Bruxelles capitale	Word Document
Doc.34	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Saint-Omer	Word Document
Doc.35	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Communauté de communes du Montreuillois	Word Document

**Action I.2**

**Big Meeting n°2 in Maastricht**

**Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004**

**Description of how the action was implemented**

A complete summary of the discussion has been written; we included it in annex.

We would like to indicate that the partner Espace Environnement is evaluating the work we made during the Big Meeting. We will use their conclusions in order to improve Big Meeting n°3 in Brussels.

**Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved**

A complete summary of the discussion has been written; see in annex.

**Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan**

We did not suffer any deviation from the original Action Plan.

**Supporting annex (submitted with this report)**

No.	Title/Label	Comment
Doc. 1	Agenda of Big Meeting n°2	Word document
Doc. 2	List of the partners participating to the big Meeting	Word document
Doc. 3	Compte rendu du Big Meeting n°2, organisé à Maastricht 08.09.10/09/2004	Word document with photos / We are waiting for the Dutch version.
Doc. 4	Political speeches made during Big Meeting n°2	Copies
Doc. 5	"Septentrion : Maastricht rebâtit son fort"	Copy of a press article 01.09.04
Doc.23	Leaflet of presentation of the Forts and Lights Maastricht + various press release; "Conferentie van 19 vestingsteden in Masstricht"	This document was printed and distributed at 10 000 exemplars + Scanned press article 09.09.04
Doc.26	"Big Meeting n°2... Note d'évaluation"	Word document

**Action I.3**

**Transnational Studies**

**Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004**

**Description of how the action was implemented**

- « Etude sur la définition d'un schéma d'organisation et de fonctionnement des centres d'interprétation (1 year) »

- The terms of reference have been already included in activity report n°2.
- Due to the important amount: 175 585 € excluding VAT, and to the codification of public tenders, they have been submitted officially to the permanent commission of Conseil Général in September 2004, the 20<sup>th</sup>. They have been accepted. The TOR will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union in December 2004 (reference 2004/S241 – 207835).

#### Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved

We are waiting for the real starting of the implementation of the study. It should start in April 2005.

#### Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan

In the action plan we said that the transnational study would be finished in June 2004. Unfortunately, due to the general delay the project has to suffer; we will have 10 months of delay.

#### Supporting annex (submitted with this report)

No.	Title/Label	Comment
Doc.7	“projet Septentrion: candidature UNESCO et Centres d’Interprétations. Lancement de deux appels d’offres ouverts pour des missions d’études“	Copy of an official report of Département du Nord

#### Action I.4

Communication

Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004

#### Description of how the action was implemented

After several month of delay, we finally made progresses on several aspects of the communication plan.

1. **The Extranet site:** the CAUE59 and the Septentrion team are working closely with the IT service of Département du Nord since September 2004. Several meetings have been organized in order to present the Extranet project (combination between Intranet and Internet site) during the Big meeting in Maastricht (see doc.X). This is a tremendous work. Our ambitions are very important on this part of the communication plan. For example, the partners will have the possibility to fill-in on-line the different administrative and financial documents. Under the responsibility of the CAUE59 and with the help of the Communication service of the CG59 and with the co-operation of the CIR, the Term of References of an Extranet project have been written. They were presented by the team of the CAUE to the partners during Big Meeting n°2 and they will be discussed during the coming meetings within the communication workshops.
2. **The Logo:** after a presentation of several possibilities to the partners during Big Meeting n°2, we officially have a logo and a graphic charter since November 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. **An exhibition stand:** for the Mid Term Event in Lille, we prepared 4 boards (“calicos”) presenting Septentrion. These first elements will be used in order to complete the future exhibition which will be presented in the several interpretation centres of the Septentrion’s territory.
4. **A promotional leaflet of Septentrion** was presented during the Mid Term Event. It has been designed by an external operator and printed at 5 000 exemplars (see doc.X)
5. **We are suffering delays with the communication plan** and consequently on the first action of communication oriented to a large public. We are confident to recover the delay during the year 2005; already several meetings are on the agenda.

#### Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved

We have now an exhibition stand which can be used for different public events. This is mentioned in the communication plan and in the communication strategy. All these documents and the exhibition will be officially presented to the partners during the next Big Meeting in Brussels (June2005).

We are also fixing rules in order to know how to use the logo. All these elements are clarified in the graphic charter. The logo proposals were presented to the partners during Big Meeting n°2 in Maastricht. The final decision on the choice of logo has been made in November 2004.

<b>Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan</b>		
Unfortunately, due to the general delay the project has to suffer; we will have a year of delay.		
<b>Supporting annex (submitted with this report)</b>		
<b>No.</b>	<b>Title/Label</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Doc.15	Presentation of the Term of References of the Extranet project (French and Dutch)	Power Point document, 33 p.
Doc.16	Dossier de presse Septentrion	Word document, 20 p., French and Dutch version
Doc.17	Promotional leaflet of Septentrion	A4 of 4 pages, printed colour document at 5 000 exemplars

<b>Action I.5</b>	<b>UNESCO</b>	<b>Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004</b>
<b>Description of how the action was implemented</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The consulting group “Défi Patrimoine”, managed by Viviane Aubry-Corvisier, already made a first general study on the UNESCO project application and a UNESCO pre-configuration study. It has been presented in Payment Claim n°1.</li> <li>▪ During the Big Meeting in Maastricht, the outcomes of the study were presented to all the partners. Also, Mrs Suzanne Van Hershote-Van Haeverbeeck (Belgian representative to UNESCO authorities) has been invited to explain the label application project of the “Béguinages” – awarded in 1997.</li> <li>▪ The partners decided to go head on the UNESCO action by involving more their political representatives. The Dutch and Belgian partners have to contact their UNESCO national contact points. They will ask officially to include the project Septentrion on their national project list, to get the UNESCO label.</li> <li>▪ In order to prepare the candidacy, the partners agreed to resort to an external consultancy which would be able to draw up a strategy study and the scientific aspects for the overall candidacy project.</li> <li>▪ The CAUE59 and the management team organised various field visits in order to prepare the partner’s technicians to defend the UNESCO project and in order to gather general and expert knowledge. The Septentrion partners went in Luxembourg, where they could learn how the different fortified cities are valorised and how the interpretation centre is organised. They went also in Paris in order to visit the Pavillon de l’Arsenal, where several plan relief of fortified cities of North West Europe are preserved and exposed.</li> <li>▪ Due to the various similarities between cities of Lille and Maastricht, some exceptional exchanges have been organised in parallel of the project. The Gemeente Maastricht (including the mayor in person) decided to organize a special two days study visit in Lille on September 28-29th. The partners were all impressed by the inter-modality of the transport system in Lille, with the site of Lille-Europe which is bordering the Old-Town; near by the Porte de Roubaix, which was renewed with the financial backing of the Septentrion project (Investment n°III-1).</li> <li>▪ The CAUE59 with Philippe Vanderghote from the leper city and other partners started a project dedicated to the educational questions on the fortified patrimony. They already organised several activities, such as (extract of the leper’s activity report; see in annex): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A guided tour of a group of 11 year olds on their last schooldays (25/06/04). By doing this, it could be established that although children are open for historical and other information at this age, the schools lack the means to provide the tools for the interpretation of our past. From this established fact stems the initiative of providing a “history and nature” brochure for all pupils of our home town, focusing on local history and the role played by man in the creation of the landscape that surrounds us. Work on this brochure has started (choosing form etc.) and redaction work will start in the course of the month of December 2004. It is expected that the brochure will be ready by June 2005.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

- o A teacher training college (RENO Torhout) started working on a brochure for school trips to leper. A meeting with the students working on this theme was held in leper on October 15th. Six Students and their lector attended the meeting and the guided tour.
- o The city of leper established a contact with the town of Le Quesnoy and the CAUE59 on the subject of interpretation and education. A note was created on this subject setting out the requirements for an educational project and is attached hereto as Exhibit 2 (see in annex, leper's activity report).

### Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved

- A post mailing will be sent by the Lead Partner to the partners in order to motivate and inform the political representatives. The UNESCO Septentrion's project needs a strong commitment from all the political authorities.
- The TOR for the strategy study for the overall candidacy project will be published on the Official Journal of the European Commission in December 2004 (they are published under the reference 2004/S242-208645) : Mission d'accompagnement à la réalisation de la phase documentaire du dossier de candidature UNESCO (2 years)

### Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan

- We have to suffer delays due to the general agenda of the project. We are six months behind the schedule initially programmed.

### Supporting annex (submitted with this report)

No.	Title/Label	Comment
Doc.6	Une délégation de Maastricht en visite à Lille	Copy of Nord Eclair 01.10.04
Doc.8	Résumé of the report of preliminary study, presented by Viviane Corvisier – Défi Patrimoine	Word document on Pdf version, 8 p.
Doc.9	Candidacy Document, general information presented by Viviane Corvisier – Défi Patrimoine	Word document on Pdf version, 26 p.
Doc.10	Report of preliminary study, presented by Viviane Corvisier – Défi Patrimoine	Word document on Pdf version, 12 p.
Doc.11	Document on examples of "Sites in network", presented by Viviane Corvisier – Défi Patrimoine	Word document on Pdf version, 45 p.
Doc.12	"Visite des plans reliefs à Paris", produit par le CAUE59	Word Document
Doc.13	"Visite du pavillon de l'Arsenal à Paris", produit par le CAUE59	Word Document
Doc.31	Various documents: leper "Une pédagogie durable pour la ville durable" + "Minutes of the Focus group of leper"	Word Document

### Action I.6

CIR – Focus Groups

Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004

### Description of how the action was implemented

- The CIR is directly supporting the Département du Nord Management team. In the same time, it is fully involved in Action 1 "Cultural Territory, Communication and UNESCO" by organising successful Focus Groups (sociological approach) in France, Belgium and The Netherlands, and brings a substantial help on the overall coordination. The following Focus Groups have been organized:
  - o June 4<sup>th</sup> - Le Quesnoy, 50 persons
  - o June 9<sup>th</sup> - leper, 20 persons
  - o June 10<sup>th</sup> - Brussels, 15 persons
  - o June 28<sup>th</sup> - Maastricht, 15 persons
  - o June 29<sup>th</sup> - Denbosch, 15 persons
- Generally speaking, the first session of Focus Groups was a success both in term of logistic and

content. The CIR has a very good co-operation with the partners which participated in the organisation. But due to the general delay of the project which has direct consequences on the financial plan for the partners, the CIR was not able to organise all the focus groups It wished to. The CIR planes to start again the Focus Groups from January 2005.



The team of the CIR (French and Dutch speakers) organising the focus group in Brussels in June 2004, in the building "Porte de Hall", future interpretation centre.



The team of the CIR (French and Dutch speakers) organising the focus group in Ieper (BL) in June 2004.

**Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved**

Organising of 5 Focus Groups with more than 120 persons assisting and more than 30 local organisations invited and 10 000 persons informed.

**Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan**

Due to the general delay of the project which has direct consequences on the financial plan for the partners, the CIR was not able to organise all the focus groups It wished to.

**Supporting annex (submitted with this report)**

No.	Title/Label	Comment
Doc.29	L'approche sociologique des groupes témoins : rappels théoriques et premiers résultats	Word Document 24 pages

Action Number	Action Title (according to the Action Plan)	Planned Results/Outcome (according to the Action Plan)
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<b>Action II</b>	<b>Town and City Logs</b>	<b>Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004</b> Development of the knowledge about the Low Country's towns and cities a Assessment of the city logs b Setting up of logs on the Internet sites within a network c Distribution to and from each partner of a CD on each city log
<b>Description of how the action was implemented</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The CAUE 59 is managing this action. Some city log books are already finished, particularly for the French towns of the Département du Nord. More details are included in the activity report of the CAUE59 (see in annex)</li> <li>▪ They are collaborating with the other partners in order to exchange the methodologies they developed and to advice them on how to use them.</li> </ul>		
<b>Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 10 City log books have been realised by the CAUE59.</li> </ul>		
<b>Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan</b>		
<p>We are suffering few delays on this action. As we can see in annex (electronic version) all the city log books of the cities of the Département du Nord are done, but we still need to finish the one of the Département du Pas de Calais and the one of the Belgian and Dutch partners. The CAUE59, the CAUE62 and Espace Environnement are working on it in order to present them during the next Big Meeting n°3 in Brussels (June 2005).</p>		
<b>Supporting annex (submitted with this report)</b>		
<b>No.</b>	<b>Title/Label</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Doc.14	City Log Book of Lille	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Le Quesnoy	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Maubeuge	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Bergues	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Condé	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Bouchain	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Cambrai	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Watten	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Gravelines	Power Point doc., Pdf format
Electronic Version	City Log Book of Landrecies	Power Point doc., Pdf format



Action Number	Action Title (according to the Action Plan)	Planned Results/Outcome (according to the Action Plan)
Action III	Interpretation Centres	<p><b>Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004</b></p> <p><b>To implement a transnational dynamic towards local projects Interpretation Centres</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a To prepare implementations and the evaluation of the projects in order to exchange about sustainable development</li> <li>b Launch and follow-up on study-action of the interpretation centres</li> <li>c Tour of exemplary operations regarding interpretation centres</li> </ul>

#### Description of how the action was implemented

The management team of Septentrion, the CAUE59, the CAUE62 and Espace Environnement are monitoring the work of the partners.

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#### INVESTMENT n°III 1

##### Conseil Général du Nord:

##### *Key moments and expected timetable*

*2003: Studies*

*2003 – 2004: Investments*

This investment regarding the door of Roubaix is finished. The departmental archives are still working on the digitisation of the 6000 plans of the fortified towns of North West Europe. The archives centre is working with the organisation of the fortified cities of the region Nord Pas de Calais.

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#### INVESTMENT n°III 2

##### City of Maastricht:

##### *Key moments and expected timetable*

*2003 -2004: studies*

*2004 - 2006: investments*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex] Delay in the carrying out of the plans of Fort Sint Pieter.*

*This is due to the extensive civil participation. Plans were presented to the general public. 350 people showed up. About 20 individual persons and organizations expressed their opinions and remarks. The plans have been adapted due to this so called 'inspraakprocedure' or public consulting procedure.*

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#### INVESTMENT n°III 3

##### City of Charleroi:

##### *Key moments and expected timetable*

*Global preliminary actions from 2003 to 2004*

*Investments from 2005 to March 2006*

The city of Charleroi declared that, up to now, they did not start any project.

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#### INVESTMENT n°III 4

##### City of Lanaken:

##### *Key moments and expected timetable*

*No initial details*

Up to now, we don't have any precise information.

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### INVESTMENT n°III 5

**City of Ieper:**

#### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*2003: start of phase 1 on all projects: study and preparation; creation of structure for the centre of interpretation; start of international contacts; filing of documents with Monumenten en Landschappen*

*2004: start of phase 2 on all projects: implementation: start building works and educational projects*

*2005: continuation of phase 2 on building; start of phase 3 on the other projects: testing and evaluation*

*2006: end of building works, inauguration of complex; phase 4 other projects: moving from the experiment to the actual use*

*2007: first full working year of the Centre of interpretation - evaluation and setting up a strategy to continue the other actions.*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex] Plans for the adaptation of the old "Manutention" or military bakery (5 casemates) have been drafted and were discussed in the working group "Fortifications". After discussion, these plans have been amended and corrected where necessary. Subsequently, a dossier for the restoration and adapting of the existing buildings has been created and this document was filed with the Regional Authorities in order to obtain a building grant and building permission. It is to be foreseen that physical work on the site will commence in the course of 2005.*

Since 01/09/02, the management system has been switched from a "park" maintenance scheme to a more ecological way of maintaining the site. During meetings with the Management Team Fortifications, it has been decided to continue to work in this way and thereby to end the experimental phase of this project. Further meetings in the near future will deal with technical problems caused by abundant vegetation on recently restored walls.

With a view to this part of the management project, information is being collected regarding this subject.

On 22/09/04 a study visit was made to 's-Hertogenbosch (partner Septentrion) in order to look at the solutions being used there. Extensive documentation was received from our partner and this information is now being studied by the technical services of the Municipality of Ieper. Further information will also be supplied by other partners in the project in the course of the coming months.

**No express changes have been made to the intentions as outlined in the Application Form, save for a movement in time of the intended restoration work.**

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### INVESTMENT n°III 6

**Région Bruxelles-capitale:**

#### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*2003: Preliminary studies: precautionary archaeological excavations, completion of the restoration dossier, launch of a competition for the post of project leader of the exhibition centre scheme and invitation for applicants.*

*2004: development of the design for the exhibition centre in association with the transnational study.*

*2004-2005: Restoration and development of the Tour Anneessens and the Tour Saint-Jacques. These two sites will welcome the centre of interpretation as a supplement to Hal's door.*

*2005: Completion and opening of the Exhibition Centre to the general public.*

*2006: Evaluation of the newly created cultural amenity and modifications.*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex] Certaines activités n'ont pu débiter qu'en fin de période alors qu'il était initialement prévu de les commencer dès le début, principalement à cause des élections régionales du 13 juin 2004 qui ont perturbé le cours normal des activités des autorités publiques régionales*

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### INVESTMENT n°III 7

**City of Aire-sur-la-Lys :**

#### **Key moments and expected timetable**



*2003 – 2004: Transnational studies*

*2005 – 2006: Local studies*

*2006 – 2008: Investments*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]* La commune travaille en liaison avec le CIR et la ville de Montreuil sur Mer pour la mise en place de Focus Group.

La première réunion de travail prévue à Aire sur la Lys fin juin a dû être annulée, nous cherchons actuellement à fixer des nouvelles dates en collaboration avec le CIR et Montreuil.

Nous avons commencé par travailler sur le carnet de ville du fait qu'il est la base de la réflexion des autres projets inscrits au projet septentrion.

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#### **INVESTMENT n°III 8**

**City of Bergues:**

***Key moments and expected timetable***

*October 2003 – June 2004 Transnational studies*

*June 2004 – May 2005 Local studies*

*September 2005 Equipment*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]* Au niveau des centres d'interprétation, c'est toute une synergie à mettre en place globalement au niveau des trois pays pour arriver en fin de compte à des projets locaux finis.

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#### **INVESTMENT n°III 9**

**City of Bouchain :**

***Key moments and expected timetable***

*October 2003 – June 2004: Transnational studies*

*2003 – 2004: Architect competition, rough draft project, building permit*

*2004 – 2005: Calls for tender, works to begin*

*2005 – 2007: Building and development*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]* Dans le cadre du projet « centre d'interprétation » il avait été convenu que ce centre se trouverait dans la médiathèque en cours de construction ; Vu les surfaces disponibles dans la médiathèque ne permettant pas d'y établir le centre d'interprétation, la commune a donc décidé d'acheter un immeuble dans le quartier le plus ancien de Bouchain à côté de l'Office du Tourisme. Cette acquisition a eu lieu, il reste à reloger le locataire, puis à mettre en place la remise en état de cet immeuble.

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#### **INVESTMENT n°III 10**

**City of Cambrai:**

***Key moments and expected timetable***

*2003 - 2004: studies*

*2004 - 2008: restoration*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]* Le projet de réalisation d'un centre d'interprétation comporte un volet relatif aux espaces souterrains de la ville : les anciennes carrières de pierre et les galeries de contre-mine de la citadelle, avec mise en accessibilité de sites représentatifs. En 2004 ont été réalisés des travaux d'aménagement dans la carrière souterraine située sous l'ancienne place au bois.

Cet aménagement constitue la première phase du projet de valorisation des espaces souterrains.

Ces travaux ont été menés à Cambrai.

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#### **INVESTMENT n°III 11**

**City of Condé sur l'Escaut:**

***Key moments and expected timetable***

*October 2003 – June 2004: transnational studies*

*September 2003 – February 2004: specific studies of the site*

*March 2004: beginning of construction and development*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]* The building envisaged initially to accommodate the centre of interpretation proved to have too much moved away from the centre town and to be in too bad condition. Instead of him, the former Café du Beffroi, located on the Main Market, has been preferred. Twinned with the Belfry, it offers a vaster and more visible building. Moreover, this unit will shelter the Tourist Office, what will ensure the project a dynamic coherence.

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#### **INVESTMENT n°III 12**

##### **City of Landrecies:**

##### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*October 2003 – June 2004: transnational studies*

*September 2003 – February 2004: specific studies of the site*

*March 2004: beginning of construction and development*

The room situated on the City hall's ground floor of has been renewed. Works have been accomplished in the last months; they consisted in the gritting of bricks and the renewal of the eclectic network. Now the room is ready to receive a new museography which is in preparation.

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#### **INVESTMENT n°III 13**

##### **City of Le Quesnoy:**

##### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*2003 – 2004: studies*

*2004 – 2006: investments*

This partner will probably use part of it investment n°III 13 for the investment n°IV 9.

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#### **INVESTMENT n°III 14**

##### **City of Maubeuge:**

##### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*October 2003 – June 2004: transnational studies*

*September 2003 – February 2004: specific studies of the site*

*March 2004: beginning of construction and development*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]* Le projet vise à retisser du lien social urbain et culturel à travers des activités festives, ponctuelles et à vocation culturelle.

Le projet est spécifiquement localisé à Maubeuge, Porte de Mons.

Le local a été utilisé lors de l'évènement Lille 2004, en tant que « Maison folie »

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#### **INVESTMENT n°III 15**

##### **City of Watten:**

##### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*2003 – 2004: transnational studies*

*2004: specific studies of the site*

*March 2004: beginning of construction and development*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]* Réalisation du relevé topographique de l'ensemble du site fortifié et des alentours, en vue de la réalisation du chemin d'interprétation de la fortification.

*XXX=extract of the initial project Septentrion handed to the Secretariat on December 2003.*

*XXX=extract of the activity report of the partner joined in annex*

#### **Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved**

Please find all details in the previous section: "Description of how the action was implemented" and the documents in annex.

#### **Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan**

We are suffering delays for the following investments:

1. Investment III n°2: Maastricht
2. Investment III n°3: Charleroi
3. Investment III n°4: Lanaken
4. Investment III n°15 Watten

**Supporting annex (submitted with this report)**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Title/Label</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Doc.22	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Maastricht	Word Document
Doc.27	Letter of the City of Charleroi explaining the fact they did not have any expenses until now.	Word Document
Doc.30	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Ieper	Word Document
Doc.32	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – Region Bruxelles-capitale	Word Document
Doc.36	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Aire-sur-la-Lys	Word Document
Doc.37	Minutes of a meeting dedicated to the city log book, which was held in Aire-sur-la-Lys, with the participation of the CAUE62. (13.07.04)	Word Document
Doc.38	Minutes of a meeting dedicated to the city project which was held in Aire-sur-la-Lys, with the participation of the CAUE62. (1/09/04)	Word Document
Doc.39	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Bouchain	Word Document
Doc.40	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Bergues	Word Document
Doc.41	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Cambrai	Word Document
Doc.42	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Condé sur l'Escaut	Word Document
Doc.45	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Maubeuge	Word Document
Doc.46	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Watten	Word Document
Doc.47	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – Organisation, CAUE59	Word Document
Doc.48	Monitoring of the city projects and interpretation centres CAUE62	Word Document 2 p.
Doc.49	Monitoring of the city projects and interpretation centres CAUE59	Word Document 9 p.

Action Number	Action Title (according to the Action Plan)	Planned Results/Outcome (according to the Action Plan)
Action IV	Action IV: Town and City Projects	<p>Phase 2: June 2004 – November 2004</p> <p><b>City Projects</b></p> <p>a To enhance the architectural , urban and landscaped heritage for sustainable development</p> <p>b Implementation of a methodology for the preparation of “experience booklets” that will take local practices and project engineering into account</p> <p>c Follow-up on city projects</p>

#### Description of how the action was implemented

##### INVESTMENT IV n°1

###### Maastricht:

“Connection intra extra muros and restoration of surrounding walls in fallow lands”

###### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*Year 2 7/4 2003 – 6/4 2004: All the designs and estimate of costs off the city projects are ready. The local authority will establish public participation and inquiry procedure.*

*Year 3 7/4 2004 – 6/4 2004: Tender procedures and their results will be followed:*

*The execution of the city projects Fort St Pieter and Hoge Fronten will.*

*Year 4 7/4 2005 – 6/4/2006: The new entrances for the Park the Hoge Fronten and the Fort St Pieter come to an end. The renovation of Fort St Pieter itself will now take place and the last part of this project (phase 2) will begin.*

*Year 5 7/4 2005 – 6/4 2006: Maintenance and further development of the new public parks and their natural values take place.*

We don't have more explanation apart from the partner activity report included in annex.

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##### INVESTMENT IV n°2

###### 'S Hertogenboch:

“The pedestrian progress”

###### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*2003: All the authorization will be asked and the plan preparation will be finished. Starting of the preliminary of the archaeological study. Starting of the realization of the path for fishes following the ecological orientation of the Vught.*

*2004: Designing of the pedestrian bridge above a dam, implementation of a wooden bridge and of snail stairs; starting of the renovation works for the Fort Anthonie. Release of the remaining fortifications, conservation and part reconstruction of the wall of the 17-century with preservation of the rocks flowers, restoration of the old design, Release of the fort on the waterside, and participation to the event “Vestingen in de schijnwerpers”*

*2005: Following of the filing out of the Anthonie bastion and implementation of an information equipment (film) on the fort belvedere.*

*2005: (second semester) and 2006: justification of the content and of the financial possibilities*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex] The activities in 's-Hertogenbosch have not really changed, but we were able to speed up the process.*

*The local pilot project in 's-Hertogenbosch established technological innovations in the restoration of historic military defense structures. Instead of partly re-building, historic material could be preserved as well as ecological values on and along the walls.*

*The activities have been located on the south side of the historic city of 's-Hertogenbosch between Saint Anthony's Fortress and Saint Anthony's Bulwark and along Park lane.*

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##### INVESTMENT IV n°3

###### Charleroi:

“Requalification des espaces publics centraux avec la prise en compte de la trame urbaine radio concentrique spécifique Requalification of the central public spaces with the consideration of the



specific urban network concentric radio.”

**Key moments and expected timetable**

*Global preliminary actions and cross-border participative resources from 2003 to 2006*

*Investments from 2005 to 2006 for the interpretation channels*

The total project financed reach the amount of 275 000€. It will be dedicated to the interpretation centre. The city project of Charleroi won't be included in Septentrion.

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**INVESTMENT IV n°4**

**Aire sur la Lys:**

“Requalification of the banks of Lys river”

**Key moments and expected timetable**

*September 2003 – May 2004: studies*

*June 2004 – April 2007: Investments*

*The shores of the Lys have been undergoing restoration since July 2002 (project for school rehabilitation) on a section that was once navigable by the river. The installation of an interpretation centre is planned in a building situated in this last section.*

*Allotted to promenades (large hiking paths, paths of marshes and ballast pits), encouraging interurban connections and the approach of a specific landscape, the shores today appear as a major axis of the city's apprehension. For this reason, highlighting the course of the Lys (shores and paths) inside the town will be a factor of identity and a link to the cross-border unit for European expression.*

We don't have more explanation apart from the partner activity report included in annex.

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**INVESTMENT IV n°5**

**Bouchain:**

“Lagunage” on the old Escaut

**Key moments and expected timetable**

*Ecological and hydrographic impact study. First semester 2003*

*Preparation of a draft project in the second semester 2003*

*Adoption of the definitive project at the beginning of 2004*

*Call for tenders in the first semester 2004*

*Launch of works in second semester 2004*

*Works carried out by section from 2004 to 2006*

We don't have more explanation apart from the partner activity report included in annex.

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**INVESTMENT IV n°6**

**Cambrai:**

“Requalification of the boulevards where they meet the surrounding walls”

**Key moments and expected timetable**

*December 2003 – May 2004: studies*

*June 2004 – May 2005: Investments*

We don't have more explanation apart from the partner activity report included in annex.

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**INVESTMENT IV n°7**

**Gravelines:**

“Valuation of the covered way by the creation of Gardens for Workers “

**Key moments and expected timetable**

*Implementation of the rampart walk for the discovery of the fortified city and study for the division of the family gardens into sectors according to the Interreg III dossier and notification for project acceptance.*

*NB: The presence of domestic gardens (or traditional gardens for workers), on the top of the ramparts, on the ground rail or in the dry ditches, is typical for the fortified cities situated in the North of France. They contribute today to give a new vocation to these spaces and allow, at the same moment, their maintenance and occupation by the population in an original way that we need to preserve.*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]*

- Les résultats et les objectifs seront atteints lorsque l'ensemble des travaux : de la mise en place du chemin de ronde, du jardin du Belvédère, du jardin du Bastion de la Digue et le déplacement des jardins familiaux, seront terminés afin que chacun puisse réellement s'approprier les différents sites de la ville fortifiée.
- Mise en place du chemin de ronde de l'allée des marronniers à la rue de Dunkerque porte aux boules.
- Du jardin du Belvédère : point de vue pour découvrir le chenal de l'Aa.
- Le jardin du Bastion de la Digue et le déplacement des jardins familiaux partie nord des fortifications.
- Les représentants de la ville de Gravelines souhaitent se déplacer à S'Hertogenbosch et dans d'autres villes partenaires afin de mieux confronter, comparer et anticiper des solutions aux futurs évolutions urbaines.

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#### **INVESTMENT IV n°8**

**Lille:**

*"Landscaped treatment of the neighborhoods of the citadel"*

##### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*The overall project of enhancement of the Champ de Mars and Esplanade comprises the following phases:*

- *End 2002 - end 2005: acquisition of land, in stages with the Army*
- *2003: installation of the front square of the Stadium*
- *End 2004: installation of the car park and the Allée des Marronniers, along the Deûle River*
- *2006-2007: installation of the plant and mineral glacis*
- *2008 and beyond: tramway – train line and installation of the Esplanade*

*Interreg ERDF will co-finance only part of this wide investment: the studies and investments related to the rehabilitation of contiguous spaces to the Citadel of Lille, in particular on the operations related to the vegetalisation of the accesses of the monument and of the river Deule, and to the demolition of the car park to be restored into a natural area displaying the old glacis.*

*[Extract of the activity report, see in annex]*

#### **EXPERTS EXTERNES**

- Le Plan vert (factures n°1 et 2) est une étude concernant la place de la nature dans la ville de LILLE. Cette étude générale comporte un volet spécifiquement dévolu à l'étude du site de la Citadelle. Les conclusions de cette étude constituent le point de départ de la réflexion de la ville sur l'aménagement du site, la mise en valeur de la Citadelle et de ses fortifications.
- Les travaux d'entretien du parc sont en général réalisés par les agents municipaux. Deux opérations : des terrassements (facture n°3) et l'élagage des arbres (facture n°4) ont été réalisées par des entreprises privées.
- Le réseau d'assainissement du Champ de Mars, de la cunette (fossé historique passant au pied des remparts) et du Grand Carré font l'objet de travaux de maintenance réguliers. Les ouvrages sont soumis à une forte utilisation et la foire aux manèges, qui vient occuper les lieux chaque année, oblige à disposer d'un réseau fonctionnel. Les travaux de maintenance sont repris dans les factures n°5 à 13, 19 à 28.
- Une signalétique en place dans l'ensemble du site renseigne les visiteurs sur les lieux et les équipements. Cette signalétique est régulièrement entretenue (factures n° 14 à 18).

#### **REUNIONS, SEMINAIRES, CONFERENCES**

Une publication présentant les orientations de l'aménagement du Champ de Mars a été réalisée par le service de communication et d'information de la ville de LILLE (facture n°29). Cette publication a été diffusée gratuitement à tous les habitants.

#### **INVESTISSEMENT**

Les opérations suivantes ont été financées sur le budget Investissement de la ville.

- Travaux de réfection des berges du canal de la Deûle, qui jouxte le Champ de Mars (factures n°47 et 48).
- Pose d'une barrière contrôlant l'accès au site (facture n°49).
- Achat et pose de corbeilles pour les déchets des visiteurs. Ces corbeilles ont été disposées dans l'ensemble du site (facture n°50).

- Travaux destinés à améliorer la circulation des piétons à l'intérieur du site (facture n°51).
- Travaux de stabilisation de talus et de maintien des berges du fossé de la cunette, par des techniques douces. Le choix de ces techniques a été arrêté pour rester dans l'esprit historique du site (facture n°52).

#### EQUIPEMENT

- Dans le cadre de la maintenance du Champ de Mars, des opérations de réparation des barrières contrôlant l'accès et de rechargement des sols avec les matériaux locaux : schiste minier et enrobés, sont programmées régulièrement (factures n°30 à 34, 40, 41, 43 à 45).
- Un soin particulier est porté à la gestion écologique du site. La pose de nichoirs pour les oiseaux (facture n°35) et la création de prairies naturelles (facture n°42) en sont deux exemples illustratifs.
- La Direction des Parcs et Jardins s'occupe très directement de l'entretien du site par le biais d'une équipe d'entretien. Les frais relatifs à l'achat de l'outillage servent donc exclusivement pour l'entretien du parc de la Citadelle et du Champ de Mars (factures 36 à 39, et 46).

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#### INVESTMENT IV n°9

##### Le Quesnoy:

"Qualification des entrées de ville (portes actuelles et anciennes). Qualification of city gates (current and old doors)."

##### **Key moments and expected timetable**

*2003: Exchange with partners of the network to explore experiences that can be used for the development of the project and the drawing up of the specifications for the competition*

*2004: Launch of the European competition*

*2005: Development of definitive studies*

*2006: Work to begin at one of the entrances*

We don't have any more details apart from the fact that some costs will be transferred to on investment to the other (from investment n°III13 to investment n°IV 9)

*XXX=extract of the initial project Septentrion handed to the Secretariat on December 2003.*

*XXX=extract of the activity report of the partner joined in annex*

#### Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved

Please find all details in the previous section: "Description of how the action was implemented" and the documents in annex.

#### Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan

We are suffering delays for the following investments:

1. Investment IV n°1: Maastricht
2. Investment IV n°3: Charleroi
3. Investment IV n°6: Cambrai

#### Supporting annex (submitted with this report)

No.	Title/Label	Comment
Doc.22	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Maastricht	Word Document
Doc.24	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of S'Hertogenbosch	Word Document
Doc.27	Letter of the City of Charleroi explaining the fact they did not have any expenses until now.	Word Document
Doc.36	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Aire-sur-la-Lys	Word Document
Doc.37	Minutes of a meeting dedicated to the city log book, which was held in Aire-sur-la-Lys, with the participation of the CAUE62. (13.07.04)	Word Document
Doc.38	Minutes of a meeting dedicated to the city project which was held in Aire-sur-la-Lys, with the participation of the CAUE62. (1/09/04)	Word Document

Doc.39	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Bouchain	Word Document
Doc.40	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Bergues	Word Document
Doc.41	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Cambrai	Word Document
Doc.43	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Gravelines + Added document including photos on the work made in Gravelines for the rehabilitation of fortifications, canals...	Word Document
Doc.44	Answers to a questionnaire based on the activity report format – City of Lille	Word Document
Doc.48	Monitoring of the city projects and interpretation centres CAUE62	Word Document 2 p.
Doc.49	Monitoring of the city projects and interpretation centres CAUE59	Word Document 9 p.

Action Number	Action Title (according to the Action Plan)	Planned Results/Outcome (according to the Action Plan)
Action V	Forts and Lights	Phase 1, part b: February 2004 – May 2004 Forts and Lights: Photographic follow-up of the event a To pursue the event for “Lille 2004”, European capital of culture b Implementation in each city for the French Partners

#### Description of how the action was implemented

Six Forts and Lights public events were organised, five in France within the project Lille 2004, and one in Netherlands in Maastricht:

- Forts & Lights: Maubeuge (June 26<sup>th</sup>)
- Forts & Lights: Bouchain (July 3<sup>rd</sup>) – 5 000 persons
- Forts & Lights: Le Quesnoy (July 10<sup>th</sup>) – 10 000 persons
- Forts & Lights: Gravelines (August 28<sup>th</sup>) – 10 000 persons
- Forts & Lights: Condé-sur l'Escaut (September 11<sup>th</sup>), 3 000 persons
- Forts & Lights: Maastricht (September 11th): More than 400 volunteers from Germany, Belgium, UK, France and the Netherlands participated in the replay of the battle of 1814-1815. 2400 invitations were sent to our contacts and the local population. 2000 brochures have been printed and distributed. Over 10.000 citizens and tourists visited the Forts & Lights Festival.

The Forts and Lights Denbosch will be organised in December 2004 and the CAUE's one during the year 2005. The Forts and Lights event of Ieper has been cancelled by the local authorities.

#### Description of the concrete results/outcomes achieved

For each event, it was a great success. In total, almost 40 000 thousand persons participated to Forts and Lights. There is no doubt for the local authorities of the Low Country that these kinds of events are the most adapted one ever tested to the particular sites of the fortified cities. It offers the possibility of en-lighting the fortifications, eventually on a long term basis, and to invite the people on the spots during evenings, which are good times for or organising parties... So, from one site to the other, they experienced different techniques. The Maastricht event was probably the most original in the sense that it invited several organisations specialised in the reproduction for real of famous historical battles. This kind of project is especially good value for money, because most of the participants are camping (as the ancient warriors were doing), and they are using their own material which is only costumes and black powder.

For information, the “Groupe F” was the technical provider of the lights effects in France.

#### Justification for any deviation from the original Action Plan

If we did not suffer any major deviation on the initial action plan, unfortunately we regret that the city of Ieper won't organise the Forts and Lights event which was planned for 2004. This budget line has been transferred to the Interpretation Centre project.

#### Supporting annex (submitted with this report)

No.	Title/Label	Comment
Doc.18	Promotion leaflet of Forts and Lights France	Copy
Doc.19	Internal report made by the services of the Département du Nord on the Forts and Lights events in the Département	Word page, 2p.
Doc.20	Photos of the Forts and Lights in France	GIF. documents
Doc.21	Press release of Forts and Lights, France	Copy
Doc.23	Leaflet of presentation of the Forts and Lights Maastricht	This document was printed and distributed at 10 000 exemplars

<b>ANNEX I – ACTION PLAN</b>						
Phase/Action Number	Action Name	Reference numbers of partners involved	Description	Concrete Results/ Outcomes	Duration (Months)	
<b>Phase 0 Preparation April 2002 – September 2003</b>						
<b>Action 1</b>	<b>Exploration Phase</b>	<b>Partner 23 + all the other partners</b>	Based on establishing the basic premise of “From the Fortified City to a Sustainable One”, search for potential partners according to common objectives and information on the territorial structures concerned (Department, Province, Region, State) of the cultural territory. Local, cross-border and transnational Meetings.	Drawing up of the Charter of Towns (CAUE of the Nord Region). Drawing up of the objectives, methodology, design for the model and city logs (CAUE of the Nord Region). UNESCO feasibility study (General Council of the Nord Region)	April 2002 to April 2003	All the project territory
<b>Action 2</b>	<b>Structuring Phase</b>	<b>Partners 1, 6 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	Search for a common mode of operation. Local, cross-border and transnational Meetings.	To develop a shared vision of the project between the partners. Definitive project written up.	April 2003 to September 2003	All the project territory
<b>Phase 1 (a &amp; b) September 2003 – January 2004 – May 2004</b>						
<b>Action 1.1 - Cultural Territory / Communication / UNESCO</b>	<b>Starting up Phase</b>	<b>All partners</b>	<b>General Approach</b> This is the starting up phase of the project. It is conducted partially before examination of the project by the INTERREG IIIB committee with regard to two objectives: 1. To enable quick entrance into the towns with transnational	<b>Official signature</b> of the charter by the partners, in Lille, December 2003	September 2003 to May 2004	All the project territory



			operability as soon as European financing has been approved 2. To benefit from the territorial dynamic developed in the European dossier preparation stage			
<b>Action 1.2</b>	Starting up Phase	<b>Coordinators + all partners</b>	<b>Kick-off Transnational Meeting in Lille</b> (co-presentation by CIR – CAUE of the North Department).	<b>Kick-off Transnational Meeting in Lille</b> a Official project opening (presentations with regard to the press and the members of the cultural territory) b Presentation and debates concerning the city logs, the study-action of the interpretation centres, consultation and the participation of the inhabitants, feasibility study with regard to the UNESCO label, the “Forts and Lights” event, the first communication operations of the charter of towns c Setting up of transnational operational subgroups according to the actions and identification of contractors and delegated contractors on common actions d Assessment of the Meeting in Lille	December 2003	All the project territory
<b>Action 1.3</b>	Starting up Phase	<b>Partners n° 1, 6 &amp; 23</b>	<b>Preparation phase for all the actions</b>	<b>Transnational Studies</b> a Specifications of the study-	September 2003 to	All the project territory

				transnational action on the interpretation centres (CAUE of the North Department – DRAC Nord – Pas-de-Calais) b Implementation of the distribution network (Towns of the territory that are not partners - Namur, Mons, Ghent, etc-, press, etc.)	May 2004	
<b>Action 1.4</b>	Starting up Phase	<b>Partners 1 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	<b>Preparation phase for all the actions</b>	<b>Communication</b> a Preparation of a brochure to present the project b Drawing up of specifications for the creation of a logo and in-house style c Drawing up of specifications for the study of the project's communication plan d Setting up of an Intranet network	September 2003 to May 2004	All towns and cities partners
<b>Action 1.5</b>	“	<b>Partners 1 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	“	<b>UNESCO</b> a Feasibility study for the UNESCO label b Preparation of a method to carry out management and enhancement plans with the aim of having the fortified towns registered in the heritage of UNESCO	September 2003 to May 2004	All towns and cities partners + coordinators
<b>Actio 1.6</b>	“	<b>Partners 6 &amp; 1 + all other partners</b>	CIR Transnational Research action on Low Country inhabitants	<b>CIR - Focus Groups</b> Preparation of consultation and the participation of inhabitants for a presentation of a synthesis of knowledge (CIR) and the presentation of local experience (all the partners)	September 2003 to May 2004	All towns and cities partners + coordinators
<b>Action 2 Town and</b>	Production by each partner	<b>Partner 23 + partners 2 to 5 + 7 to 22</b>	Production of each town and city log	a Distribution of the method implemented for the City	September 2003 to	All towns and cities partners +

<b>City Log Books</b>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b Logs with partners</li> <li>b Production of an iconographic database (free of rights)</li> <li>c Production of 19 towns and cities database</li> </ul>	May 2004	Namur
<b>Action 3 Interpretation Centres</b>	Transnational study	<b>Partners 6 &amp; 23</b> + the partners 1 to 5 + 7 to 10 + 13 to 16 + 18 + 20 to 22	Transnational action-study	<b>To implement a transnational dynamic</b> towards local projects with a transnational study	September 2003 to May 2004	All towns and cities partners
<b>Action 4 Town and City Projects (Kick off April 2003)</b>	Studies (See the proposals made by each partner)	<b>Partners 1 &amp; 23</b> + partners 2, 3, 4, 10, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21	Specific studies in each town and city	<b>To prepare the implementation and the evaluation of the projects</b> in order to exchange about sustainable development	September 2003 to May 2004	09 towns and cities partners + coordinators
<b>Action 5 Forts and Lights</b>	Preparation of the events in each city	<b>Partner 23</b> + partners 2, 3, 8, 23	Preparation of the event in each town and city	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a <b>Participation in the transnational co-ordination</b> of the “Forts and Lights” event</li> <li>b Drawing up of specifications for photographic follow-up of the “Forts and Lights” event</li> </ul>	September 2003 to May 2004	04 towns + coordinators
<b>Phase 2 June 2004 - November 2004</b>						
<b>Action 1.1 - Cultural Territory / Communication / UNESCO</b>	Transnational Operability Phase	<b>Partners 1, 6 &amp; 23</b> + all other partners	<b>General Approach</b> This period corresponds to a phase of transnational operability that will test how effective the proposed approach will be.	<b>General actions lead by the co-ordinators CG59, CAUE59, CIR</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a Discussion on the notion of the Low Country proposed as the basic premise of the project</li> <li>b Setting up of a transnational iconographic database</li> </ul>	June 2004 to November 2004	All the project territory
<b>Action 1.2</b>	Transnational Operability Phase	<b>Coordinators + all partners</b>	--	<b>Transnational meeting in Brussels</b> (co-presentation by CIR – CAUE of the North Department). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a Based on the central theme</li> </ul>	June 2004	All the project territory

				<p>of the interpretation centres: assessment of the focus group, study-action and intervention from external experts</p> <p>b Based on the theme of the city projects: presentation of the progress made with regard to thought given to plans of management and enhancement of the city projects</p> <p>c Discussion on the quality of the approach at the transnational level</p> <p>d Assessment of the encounter in Brussels</p>		
<b>Action 1.3</b>	Starting up Phase	<b>Partners n° 1, 6 &amp; 23</b>	<b>Implementation phase for all the actions</b>	<b>Transnational Studies Results Evaluation</b>	June 2004	All the project territory
<b>Action 1.4</b>	Starting up Phase	<b>Partners 1 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	<b>Implementation phase for all the actions</b>	<b>Communication</b> a Launch and follow-up on studies and the communication plan b First communication operations (publication and distribution of the project brochure) c Regular information concerning the project on the Intranet site	September 2003 to May 2004	All towns and cities partners
<b>Action 1.5</b>	Transnational Operability Phase	<b>Partners 1, 6 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	This period corresponds to a phase of transnational operability that will test how effective the proposed approach will be.	<b>Unesco</b> a Beginning of the elaboration of the UNESCO document	June 2004 to November 2004	All the project territory
<b>Action 1.6</b>	Transnational Operability Phase	<b>Partners 6, 1 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	CIR Transnational Research action on Low Country inhabitants	<b>CIR - Two series of Focus group</b> on the interpretation centres	June 2004 to November	All the project territory

					2004	
<b>Action 2 Town and City Log Books</b>	Exchange between the partners	<b>Partner 1 &amp; 23</b> with partners 2 to 5 + 7 to 22	Exchange between the partners on each town or city log	<b>City Log Books</b> Development of the knowledge about the Low Country's towns and cities a Assessment of the city logs b Setting up of logs on the Internet sites within a network c Distribution to and from each partner of a CD on each city log	June 2004 to <b>November 2004</b>	All towns and cities partners + Namur
<b>END OF THE ACTION 2</b>						
<b>Action 3 Interpretation Centres</b>	Transnational study	<b>Partners 1, 6 &amp; 23</b> + partners 1 to 5 + 7 to 10 + 13 to 16 + 18 + 20 to 22	Transnational action- study	<b>To implement a transnational dynamic</b> towards local projects	June 2004 to July 2004	All towns and cities partners
<b>Action 3</b>	Specific studies	<b>Partner 1, 6 &amp; 23</b> + partners 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22	Specific studies in each town and city	<b>Interpretation Centres</b> To prepare implementations and the evaluation of the projects in order to exchange about sustainable development a Launch and follow-up on study-action of the interpretation centres b Tour of exemplary operations regarding interpretation centres	June 2004 to November 2004	17 towns and cities partners+ coordinators
<b>Action 4 Town and City Projects</b>	Works (See the proposals made by each partner)	<b>Partner 1 &amp; 23</b> + partners 2, 3, 5, 12, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21	Specific works in each town and city	<b>City Projects</b> To enhance the architectural , urban and landscaped heritage for sustainable development a Implementation of a methodology for the preparation of "experience booklets" that will take local practices and project engineering into account b Follow-up on city projects	June 2004 to November 2004	09 towns and cities partners + coordinators

<b>Action 5 Forts and Lights</b>	Implementation in each city	<b>Partner 1 &amp; 23</b> + 2, 3, 8, 13, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21	Implementation in each town and city	<b>Forts and Lights:</b> Photographic follow-up of the event a To pursue the event for “Lille 2004”, European capital of culture b Implementation in each city for the French Partners	June 2004 to November 2004	09 towns and cities partners + coordinators
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## V. CHANGES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

If you had to depart from the Implementation Schedule as submitted with your finalised and approved Application Form, you must submit a revised version of your implementation schedule with your Activity Report. Please use the Implementation Schedule of your approved Application Form (Annex I and II) and indicate the changes on this form. Print it out and attach it to this Activity Report.

Please note that for more serious changes than the postponement of an action you might have to submit a revised application form. Please contact the Secretariat if such changes are foreseen (see Activity Report and Payment Claim Manual for further details).

Revised Implementation Schedule submitted (yes/no)	NO
<b>Comment/Justification:</b>	
<p>Septentrion knows changes in the implementation schedule, particularly due to the new possibilities offered to the partners, with the Secretariat Interreg IIIB agreement (see the new grant offer letter), to include expenses which were made between May 2001, 03<sup>rd</sup> and April 2002, 07<sup>th</sup>. All these new expenses are strongly related to the project Septentrion as it was approved in June 2003 :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The city of Ieper won't organise the Forts and Lights event as it was scheduled; see information above, p.22.</li><li>2. Some projects of the partners have changed:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <b>Interpretation centres:</b><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Condé-sur-l'Escaut: valorisation and real-estate purchase in 2001 in order to develop the interpretation centre.</li><li>ii. Le Quesnoy: valorisation of the managing expenses of the lack banks, related to the city project around the "Green Bastion"</li><li>iii. Bouchain: valorisation of the expenses related to real-estate purchase for the interpretation centre.</li><li>iv. Landrecies: valorisation of the expenses related to real-estate purchase for the interpretation centre.</li><li>v. Bruxelles-capitale: valorisation of the expenses related to the realisation and the publication of archaeological studies.</li></ol></li><li>b. <b>City projects:</b><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. S'Hertogenbosch: decided to include more expenses related to their city project "conversion of the public space"</li></ol></li><li>c. <b>Cultural territory-Communication-UNESCO:</b><ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. The CAUE59 included expenses which occurred before April 2002 and which are related to the "Ateliers de la culture urbaine 2001-2002". Those workshops were made in order to increase the awareness of the fortified cities on their architectural and social patrimony.</li><li>ii. The Département du Nord will include some more invoices related to the forts and lights events.</li></ol></li></ol></li></ol>	



## VI. PLANNED MILESTONES FOR THE FOLLOWING PHASE

*Provide detailed planning for the next phase.*

Phase 3 a      December 2004 – May 2005

<b>Title</b>	<b>Phase 3: November 2004-May 2005</b>
<b>Strategic Focus</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Lead partner/partners convention's finalisation and signature</li><li>2. Improvement of the financial work within the lead applicant organisation</li><li>3. Communication plan, Extranet system and News Letter</li><li>4. Making main progresses on the UNESCO project</li><li>5. Following the right schedule for the main expenses of the project, such as the city projects, interpretation centres...</li></ol>
<b>Actions Involved (Numbered as in the Action Plan)</b>	<b>(Extract of the Action plan) See below...</b>

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Phase 3 December 2004 – September 2005 (phase a: December 2004-May 2005 / phase b: June 2005-September 2005)						
<b>Action 1.1 - Cultural Territory / Communication / UNESCO</b>	Intermediary Assessment Phase	<b>Partners 1, 6 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	<b>General Approach</b> This phase corresponds to an intermediary assessment of the ability for the partners to progressively work at the transnational level. This assessment will be made based on the experience of the focus group and on the "Forts and Lights" event.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a Follow-up phase on studies and work of the interpretation centres and city projects: experience booklets</li> <li>b Follow-up phase and assessment of the "Forts and Lights" event</li> <li>c Tour of exemplary urban operations</li> </ul>	December 2004 to September 2005	All the project territory
<b>Action 1.2</b>	--	<b>Coordinators + all partners</b>	--	<b>Transnational meeting in Maastricht</b> (co-presentation by CIR – CAUE of the North Department). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a Centred mainly on themes linked to the city projects, assessment of the focus group</li> <li>b Progress report on the interpretation centres and presentation of the assessment of the "Forts and Lights" event</li> <li>c Assessment of the meeting in Maastricht</li> </ul>	June 2005	All the project territory
<b>Action 1.4</b>	Starting up Phase	<b>Partners 1 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	<b>Implementation phase for all the actions</b>	<b>Communication</b> Communication actions	December 2004 – September 2005	All towns and cities partners
<b>Action 1.5</b>	--	<b>Partners 1 &amp; 23</b>	--	<b>UNESCO</b> : mid-term evaluation of the candidacy document	May 2005	All the project territory
<b>Action 1.6</b>	--	<b>Partners 6, 1 &amp; 23 + all other partners</b>	CIR Transnational Research action on Low Country inhabitants	<b>CIR - Two series of Focus group</b> Third series of the focus group on the interpretation centres	December 2004 – September 2005	All the project territory
<b>Action 2 Town and City Log Books</b>	--	<b>Coordinators + all partners</b>	Exchange between the partners on each town or city log	<b>Transnational meeting in Maastricht</b> will be the opportunity to present the final city booklets collection.	June 2005	All the project territory
<b>Action 3 Interpretation Centres</b>	Specific studies	<b>Partner 1, 6 &amp; 23 + partners 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22</b>	Specific studies in each town and city	<b>Interpretation Centres</b> To prepare implementations and the evaluation of the projects in order to exchange about sustainable development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a Launch and follow-up on study-action of the interpretation centres</li> <li>b Tour of exemplary operations regarding interpretation centres</li> </ul>	December 2004 to September 2005	17 towns and cities partners+ coordinators
<b>Action 3</b>	Implementation	<b>Partner 1, 6 &amp; 23 + partners 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12,</b>	Concrete implementations in each town and city	<b>Creation of Interpretation centres and circuits</b>	December 2004 to	17 towns and cities partners

		14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22			September 2005	
<b>Action 4 Town and City Projects</b>	Works (See the proposals made by each partner)	<b>Partner 1 &amp; 23</b> + partners 2, 3, 5, 12, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21	Specific works in each town and city	<b>City Projects</b> To enhance the architectural , urban and landscaped heritage for sustainable development a Implementation of a methodology for the preparation of "experience booklets" that will take local practices and project engineering into account b Follow-up on city projects	December 2004 to September 2005	09 towns and cities partners + coordinators
<b>Action 5 Forts and Lights</b>	Implementation in each city	<b>Partner 1 &amp; 23</b> + partners 2, 3, 8, 13, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21	Implementation in each town and city	<b>Forts and Lights:</b> Photographic follow-up of the event a To pursue the event for "Lille 2004", European capital of culture b Implementation in each city for the French Partners	December 2004	09 towns and cities partners + coordinators
<b>Action 5</b>	Implementation in each city	<b>Partner 1 &amp; 23</b> + partners 2, 3, 8	Implementation in each town and city	<b>Forts and Lights:</b> a Follow up of the action in the French cities b Implementation in each Belgian and Dutch cities and transnational exchanges on the French actions	December 2004 to September 2005	03 towns and cities partners + coordinators

	<b>Describe the major activities and main outputs of each month</b>
<b>Month 1 December 2004</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ End of the partners visits made by the management team of the Département du Nord.</li> <li>▪ Writing of the lead partner/partners conventions by the management team and presentation to each of the partners.</li> </ul>
<b>Month 2 January 2005</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ New session of the CIR focus groups</li> <li>▪ Work on the communication plan: CG59/CG59/CIR</li> <li>▪ Workshops education, pedagogy and interpretation centres</li> </ul>
<b>Month 3 February 2005</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Choice of the operator which will make the interpretation centre study and UNESCO</li> <li>▪ Starting-time of the preparation work for the Big Meeting n°3 in Brussels (June 2005)</li> <li>▪ Meetings for the management of the Communication plan; among the co-ordination team (CG59, CAUE59, CIR) and with the partners</li> <li>▪ Starting time of preparations for the second Euroregional patrimony days of the fortified cities</li> </ul>
<b>Month 4 March 2005</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Publication of the news letter.</li> <li>▪ Starting-up of the steering committees for the actions: interpretation centres, UNESCO and communication</li> <li>▪ Presentation to the general assembly of the Département du Nord, of the bilateral conventions, between the Département du Nord and the partners, for a final official approval before the implementations.</li> </ul>
<b>Month 5 April 2005</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Septentrion will participate in the organisation of the second euroregional patrimony days of the fortified cities (April 23 &amp; 24<sup>th</sup>).</li> <li>▪ Several meetings will be organised in order to prepare the Big Meeting n°3 in Brussels</li> </ul>
<b>Month 5 May 2005</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Starting-up of the partner's consultations for the Internet site and for the lodging of the site</li> </ul>
<b>Month 6 June 2005</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Big meeting n°3 in Brussels</li> <li>▪ Presentation of the communication plan and starting-up</li> </ul>

**Comments:**

- Voluntarily we divided the Phase 3 of the project in two parts

## VII. MONITORING OF OUTPUT INDICATORS, EXPECTED RESULTS AND IMPACTS

### Measure 4.2 Protection and creative enhancement of the cultural heritage

Target Values for Output Indicators	Planned	Attained
a) the number of national, regional and local government authorities involved	--	--
b) the number of other public bodies involved	--	--
c) the number of third sector (non profit) organisations involved	--	--
d) the number of private bodies (profit-making) involved	--	--
e) the number of semi-public bodies or public-private partnerships involved	--	--
f) the volume of investments in firms	--	--
g) the volume of investments in fixed capital (such as small-scale infrastructure)	--	--
h) the size of the population reached by awareness raising campaigns	--	--

Target Values for Impact Indicators	Planned	Attained
a) the number of enhanced cultural assets involved in the project	--	--
b) the surface of enhanced cultural assets involved in the project in m <sup>2</sup>	--	--
c) the increase in overnight stays in low-impact tourism	--	--

Comments/Justification
As we already mentioned in Payment claim n°2, we are still preparing a more precise evaluation methodology.

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## IX. DATE AND SIGNATURE OF THE LEAD PARTNER

*The information and documentation in this report and its attachments give a fair and correct description of the present implementation status of the project.*

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