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The project is led by the City of Nowy Dwór Mazowiecki, with Bartosz Budny as the project manager. It is a public-private partnership scheme that aims to revitalise historic buildings through the use of private finance.

The project budget is 2.1 million euros, and it is expected to be completed within 4 years. The project involves 10 partners from central European countries, joining forces to implement pilot actions.

One of the pilot actions is the restoration of Hemberg Castle, Municipality of Nova Gorica, Slovenia. Foto: Leo Caharija.

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Pilot actions will be implemented in 4 cities, showing the possibilities of using PPP approach for built heritage.

The lack of financial resources of most of the governments remains one of the main burning problems in the protection and maintenance of cultural heritage. This issue is of particular importance to Central Europe, where the turbulent history and the geopolitical reconfiguration resulted in a large number of neglected or abandoned historic buildings, which till today are suffering from steady decay. These buildings are often connected to degraded areas with economic and social problems, which require immediate intervention.