



The **European Network of Historic Gardens (REJHIS)** is a non-profit association founded by Lloret de Mar City Council (Girona), Aranjuez City Council (Madrid, through the Aranjuez-Cultural Landscape Foundation) and the Laboratory of Heritage, Creativity and Cultural Tourism of the University of Barcelona.

It aims to bring together the largest possible number of management bodies of Historic Gardens in Europe, with the twin goals of forming a stable network and obtaining recognition for this artistic and natural heritage in the form of a Council of Europe Cultural Route.





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The essential aim of the association is **to promote and raise awareness about historic gardens**, (as defined by the International Historic Gardens Committee, ICOMOS-IFLA in the 1981 Florence Charter), that may form part of the “European Historic Gardens” Cultural Route. As such, the association will create a high-quality cultural and tourism offering, with the intention of developing the respective local areas of the gardens.

The main **goals** of the network are:

1. To **promote and raise awareness** about historic gardens through the European Network of Historic Gardens.
2. To **develop a relationship** with the Council of Europe and other European institutions, closely collaborating with the European Institute of Cultural Routes.

3. To **promote dialogue and exchange** of good practices in relation to the showcasing of cultural heritage.
4. To **encourage collaboration** with public administrations bodies and private organisations in order to carry out joint actions related to this cultural route.
5. To promote and launch **educational activities for young people** concerning the historic gardens that form part of the cultural route, in order to stimulate their knowledge of their roots and consolidate European identity.
6. To harmonise, (within the framework of sustainable development), **cultural and tourism activities** implemented in the respective local areas of the historic gardens.





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Action Plan · 2017

- Basic partnership
- Legal constitution and registration
- Corporate image
- English and French catalogue
- Website: www.europeanhistoricgardens.eu
- **I Forum of European Historic Gardens**
 - 7 & 8 September, Lloret de Mar
 - 40 participants from 8 European countries





Action Plan · 2018

- Formal consolidation of international partnerships
- Drafting of the project with the justification of the route, activity plan, technical-administrative management, good practice manual, etc.
- Collaboration with the technicians of the Institute of Cultural Routes in order to validate the project
- Creation of the candidacy presentation ad
- Start of the process for the evaluation and approval of the European Historic Gardens Route
- Web maintenance and social media plan
- Organisation of the II Forum of European Historic Gardens

