

# 6<sup>th</sup> Interregional Event of Exchange of Experiences (IEEE) on-line. "About re-thinking/Reuse. Successful cases in Religious Heritage" Part II

**Online**  
**19<sup>th</sup> June 2026**  
**9:00-12:30 CET**



## INSCRIPTIONS

"About Re-thinking/Reuse. Successful Cases in Religious Heritage" is a peer-learning event dedicated to the exchange of good practices among project partners and stakeholders working on the rethinking and reuse of religious heritage across Europe. More than a traditional seminar, it is conceived as a structured space for dialogue, comparison, and mutual learning based on concrete experiences.

The event brings together institutional representatives, practitioners, and policy experts to present successful cases of transformation and revitalisation of former religious buildings, showing how reuse can act as a lever for territorial development, social innovation, and cultural programming. At the same time, particular attention is paid to respecting the historical, architectural, and symbolic values of these sites, fully acknowledging their specific typologies and spatial configurations.

Reuse is therefore approached as a knowledge-based process: not every function is suitable for every building, and informed decision-making is the essential starting point for any sustainable intervention. By sharing methodologies, governance models, and practical solutions, the event aims to strengthen the partners' capacity to design context-sensitive reuse strategies that preserve identity while ensuring long-term viability.

## Agenda

09:00 – 09:10 | **Welcome and introduction**

**Prof. Chiara Occelli & Irene Ruiz Bazán**, Politecnico di Torino – Lead Advisory Partner

09:10 – 09:40 | **La Ermita de Santo Domingo de Almodévar**

**José Ángel Gil**, Architect and Professor, University of Zaragoza

09:40 – 10:10 | **The Ecclesial Reuse of Catholic Heritage: The 2018 Guidelines of the Pontifical Council for Culture**

**Prof. Andrea Longhi**, Politecnico di Torino

**10:10 – 10:25 | Coffee Break**

### Good Practices – Block I

10:25 – 10:40 | **School Church – A Good Practice on Reuse**

**Christiaan Velis**, Project Leader and Engineer, Historical Churches Foundation Groningen

10:40 – 10:55 | **Take Me to Church, Holwierde – Good Practice on Reuse**

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10:55 – 11:10 | **Synagogue Folkingestraat Foundation**

**Geert Volders**, Director, Synagogue Folkingestraat Foundation

**11:10 – 11:20 | Coffe Break**

### Good Practices – Block II

11:20 – 11:30 | **From Evangelical Church to Cultural Institution: Revitalising a Historic Monument in Toruń**

**Agata Mazurek**, Kujawsko-Pomorskie Voivodeship

11:30 – 11:40 | **Heritage in Everyday Life: Revitalising a Historic Synagogue Through Community and Gastronomy**

**Agata Mazurek**, Kujawsko-Pomorskie Voivodeship

11:40 – 11:50 | **From Sacred Space to Learning Place: Adaptive Reuse of the Former Evangelical Church in Golub-Dobrzyń**

**Agata Mazurek**, Kujawsko-Pomorskie Voivodeship

11:50 – 12:00 | **From Sacred Space to Cultural Hub: Adaptive Reuse of the Lubraniec Synagogue**

**Agata Mazurek**, Kujawsko-Pomorskie Voivodeship

12:00 – 12:10 | **Transformation of the Former St Mary's Hospital Church into a Cultural Events Centre in Nabburg**

**Verena Pfeffer**, Upper Palatinate District

12:10 – 12:20 | **Revitalisation of the Former Synagogue as an Interreligious and Multicultural Centre for Commemoration and Encounter in Sulzbach-Rosenberg**

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**12:20-12:30 Closing of the Session**