Spanish Greenways Programme



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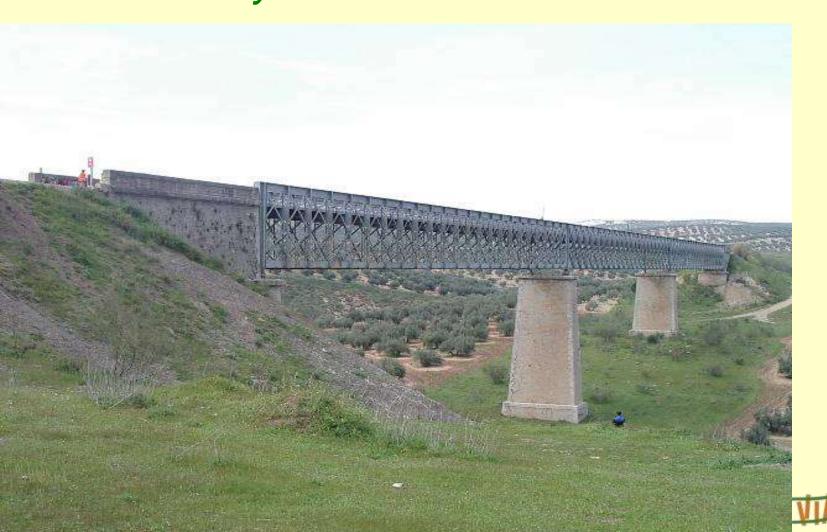


- Spanish Railways Foundation, public, since 1985
- Patronage: its President is the RENFE's President, and its Vicepresident is the ADIF's President (Railways Infrastructures Manager). Members: regional Railways Companies, Subway,
- Objectives: research, maintenance of the railways cultural heritage... and Coordination and promotion of the Spanish Vías Verdes / Greenways Programme since 1993





The Greenways / Vías Verdes are the result of converting disused railways lines into routes suitable for non-motorised transport that are as accessible, safe and easy-to-use for walkers and cyclists



DISUSED RAILWAYS LINES AND GREENWAYS IN SPAIN

The beginning: En 1993 we made a research / inventarie about disused railways lines in Spain



In 1993:

- -7.600 kilometres of abandoned railways lines
- 954 stations
- 501 tunnels
- 1.070 bridges

DISUSED RAILWAYS LINES AND VIAS VERDES IN SPAIN

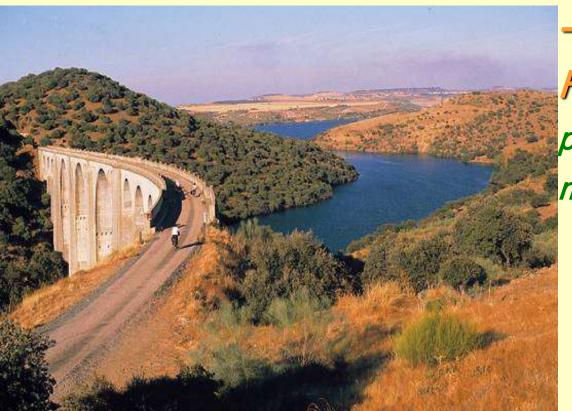


In May 2014:

- -108 Vías Verdes
- 2.075 km (including the itineraries under works)

SPANISH VIAS VERDES PROGRAMME

- Close collaboration between bodies of Public Administration:
- Ministry of Environment : has a specific budget each year for building non motorised infrastructures.
- Public Railways Companies : ADIF and FEVE offer their abandoned lines, by sale or rent



- Spanish Railways
Foundation: make the
promotion, coordination and
marketing at national level

SPANISH VIAS VERDES PROGRAMME

- All the regions have greenways (16 out of 17)
- 22 county councils
- More than 500 Local Authorities
- 20 Communities or "consortium" of Local authorities

They are responsible for:

- Preparation of studies and engineering projects
- Obtaining patrimonial disposal over buildings and infrastructure.
- Managing, maintainance and promotion



The Greenways / Vias Verdes optimize the railways infraestructures as an instrument for the dinamization of...

- Rural and ecological tourism
- Active and healthful leisure in nature
- Non- competive sport





High quality ressource, different, new, with obvious advantages:



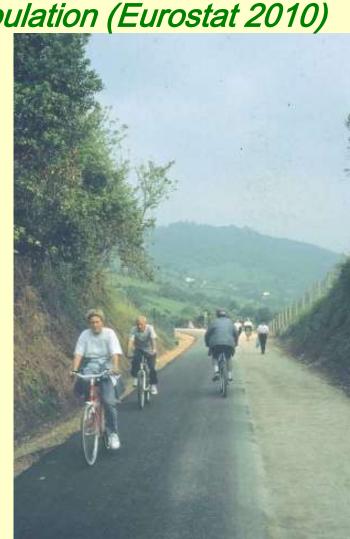
Universal accesibility, including people with disability (50 millions of people in Europe = 9% of population



Seniors are very important market niche for greenways

Over 90 million people aged between 55 and 80 live in the EU, representing nearly 19% of the total population (Eurostat 2010)







For All citizens: by foot, by bike ... Families, groups





Ecological access to Vías Verdes by the train





Optimal resource for environmental education





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Programa de educación ambiental



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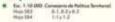
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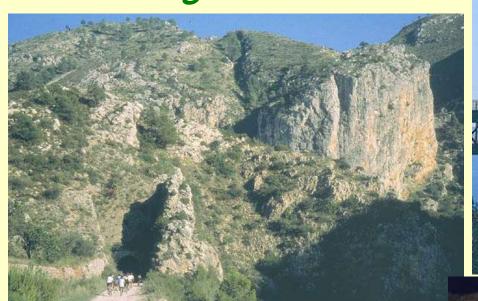


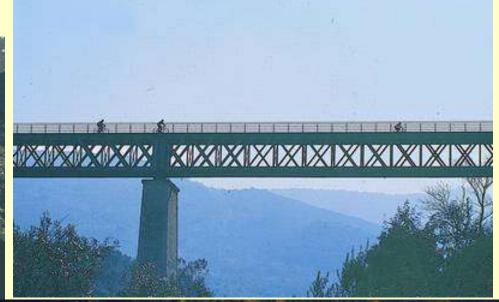
Heritage



Impressive heritage, engineering structures and

buildings









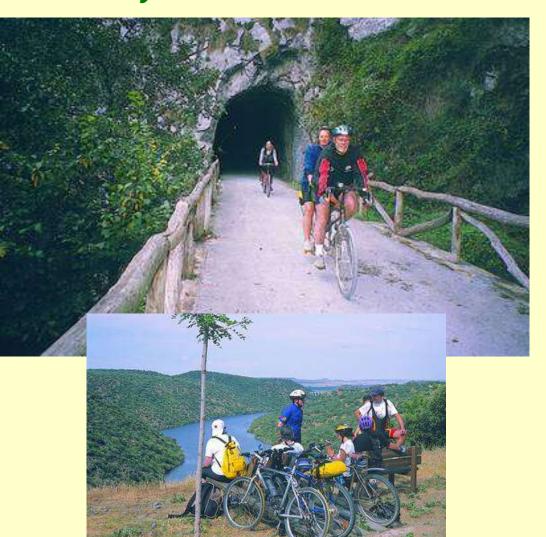


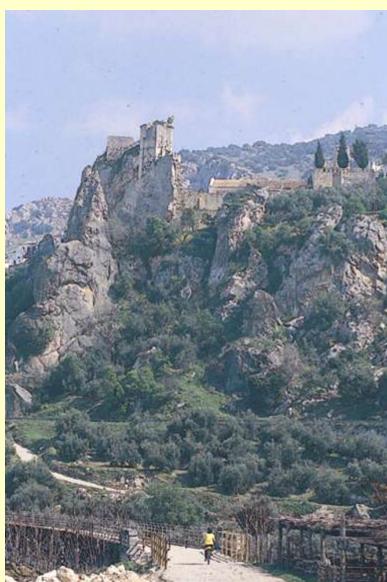


The Vías Verdes are part of the new touristm markets

Tourism is the first economical activity in Spain (11% of GDP), but

now nearly based on "Sun &Beach"







Promoting rural and active tourism

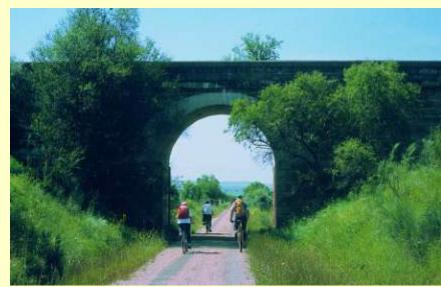


VIAS VERDES: INTEGRAL PROJECTS OF DEVELOPMENT

Different working areas, complementaries and simultaneous:

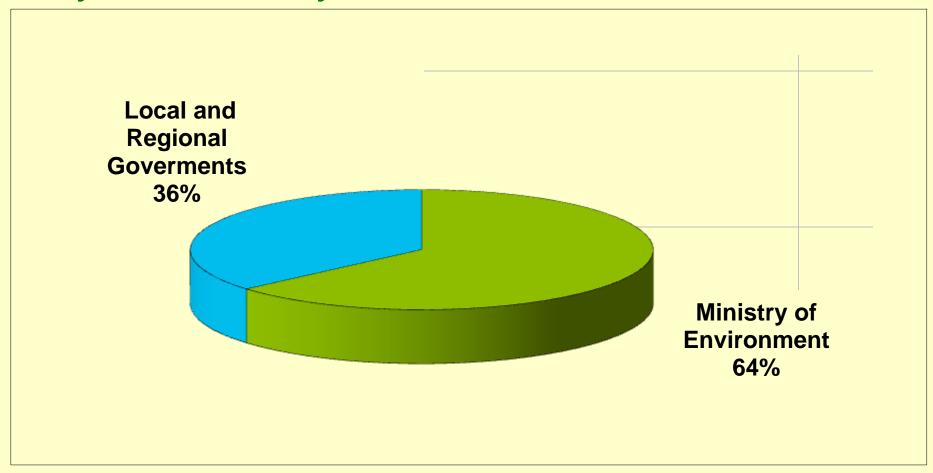
- 1. Infrastructure
- 2. Facilities
- 3. Information and promotion
- 4. Management







1994 - 2014: more than 150 million € have been invested only, for the recovery of the infrastructures





Recovery of degraded spaces

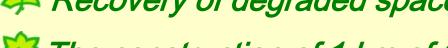


Fig. 7 The construction of 1 km of Greenway costs 55.000 € (average)



Infrastructure



Recycled Infrastructures : Environmentally friendly





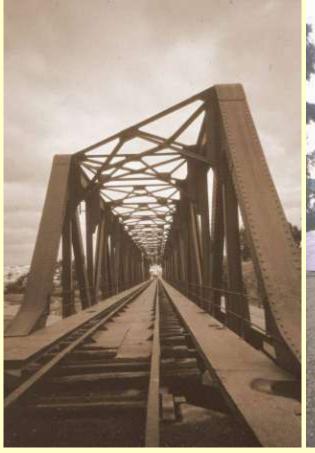


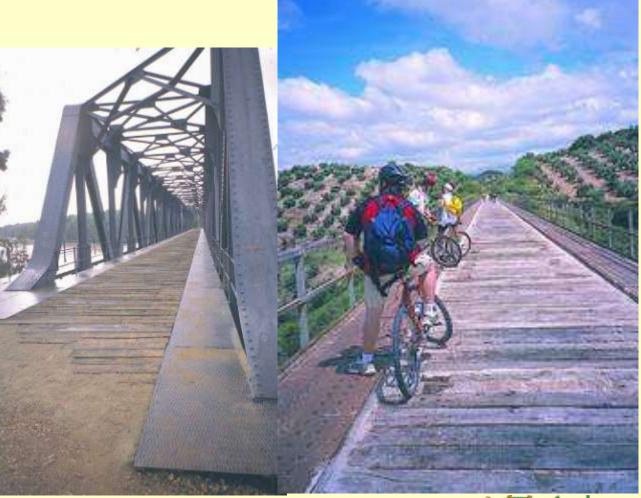


Infrastructure

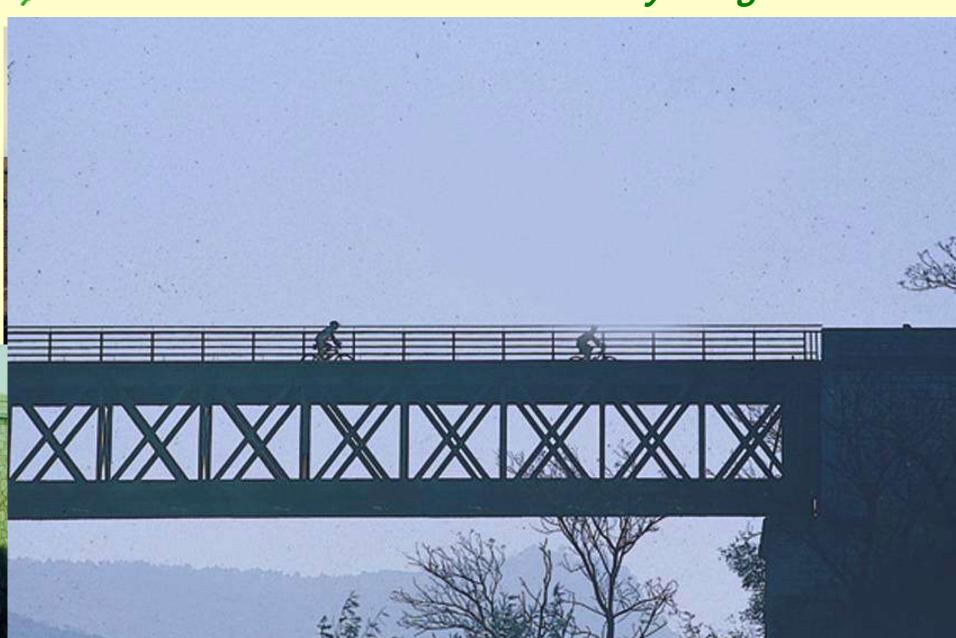
In 1993 there were 1.070 railways abandoned

viaducts and bridges



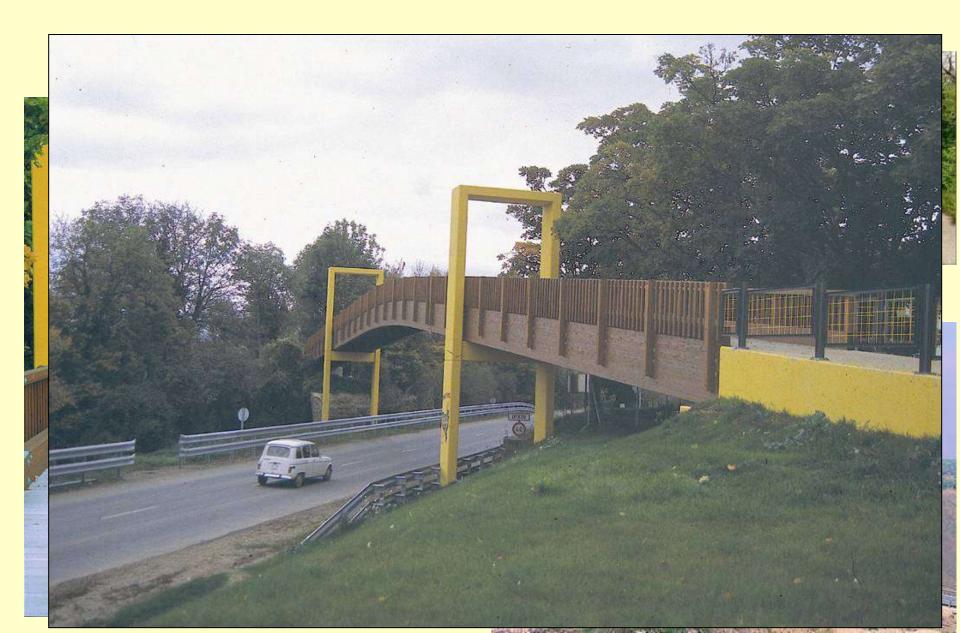


Rehabilitation of viaducts and railway bridges





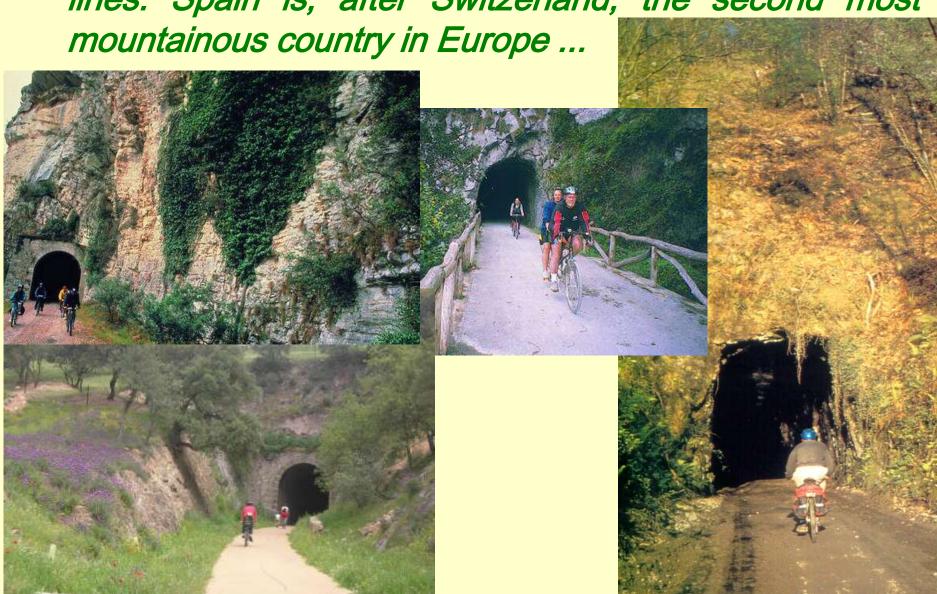
Attractive design for new footbridges



Infrastructure

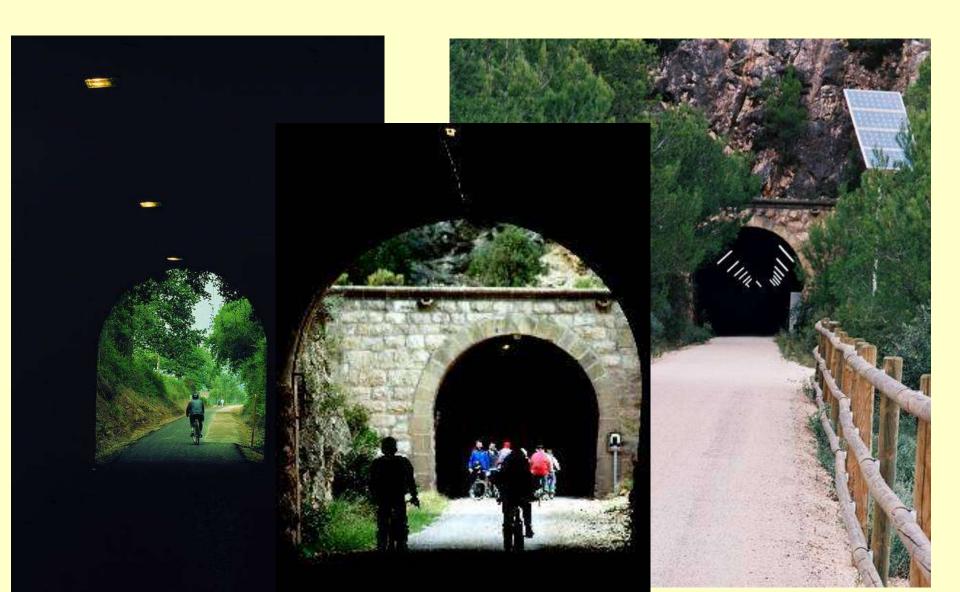


In 1993 Spain had 501 tunnels in abandoned railways lines. Spain is, after Switzerland, the second most





Tunnels are lighted when neccessary for safety reasons

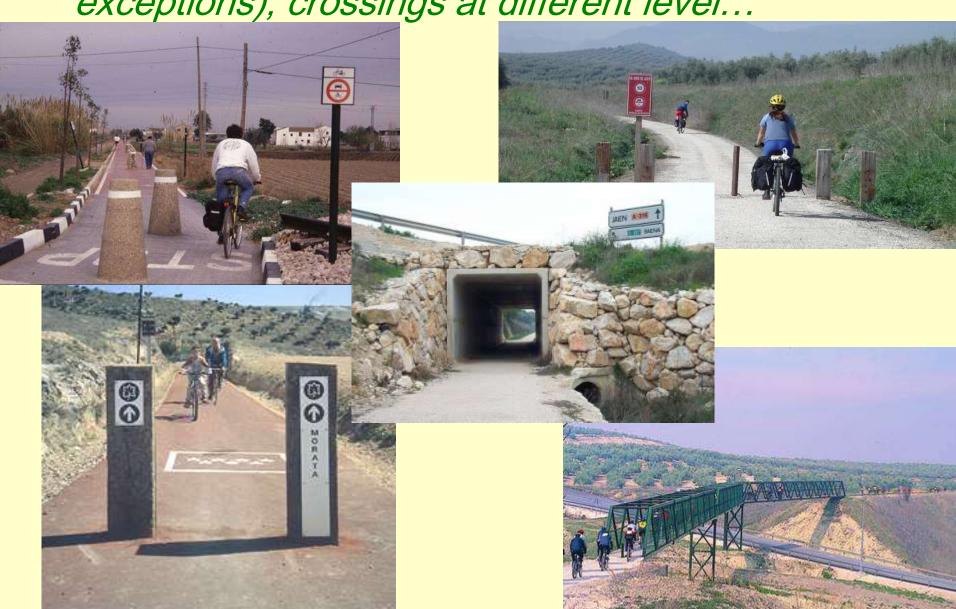


Infrastructure



Safety: Forbidden for motorised vehicles (with

exceptions), crossings at different level...



Infrastructure



Protections and railings when it's neccessary





Multiusage: allows different type of users



2. Facilities: restoration of disused railways stations

In 1993 there were 954 railways stations in desuse

In 2014 there are 98 railways stations restored and with









They are being reused as tourist housing facilities



Facilities

They provide many services: bike rentals, information offices, local museums...







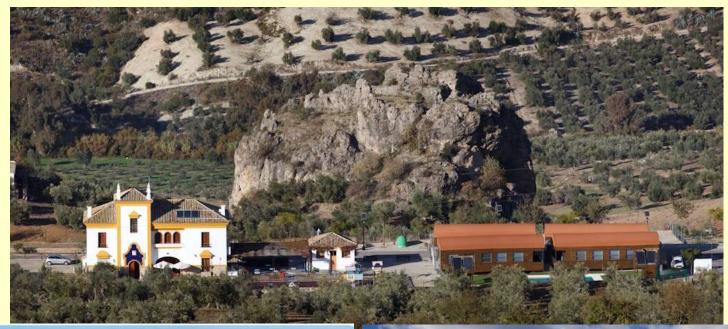








Some others are small charming hotels, hostels, *Facilities*Caravan places, campings sites...









Restaurants, cafés







2. Servicios Natural or Railway Museums ... even swiming pools





Spaces at stations for the sale of local products (crafts, food, souvenirs ...)









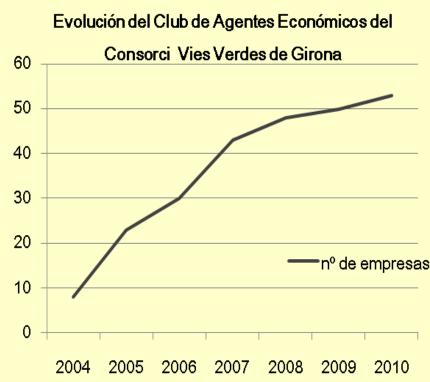
Facilities

The preservation of the railway heritage is the sign that defines the Vías Verdes as a very specific and genuine touristic resource



Numerous local tourism agencies have appeared around greenways, and they provide services to the greenways users: accomodation, bike hire and repair, guide services, transfers ...







That is usual around cycle itineraries,... but grenways offer specific advantages, due to their original use as railways

"The Greenways consolidated as revulsive for the Sierra area, with 100.000 annual visitors"

Local newspaper cover, and pages 1 & 2 (11th April 2010)



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Emilio Morematti muestra junto

a su mujer su particular visión

de la Semana Santa ves-es

"The itinerary of the green employment"





Just an example ... Vía Verde de la Sierra (Cádiz-Sevilla), visited by 3.000 students / year ... that means employment for monitors, guides, bus drivers, local restaurants, ...





VIAS VERDES: INTEGRAL PROJECTS OF DEVELOPMENT

3. Promotion and Communication The main advantage of the Spanish Vías Verdes is having an homogeneous image of a quality label at national scale



VIAS VERDES PROMOTION BEST PRACTICES



The Spanish Railways Foundation is charged of the Spanish Greenways Programme promotion and communication at national level





The Spanish Greenways Programme has a commun logotype, name and signposting exclusive of reused old railways lines Great help for marketing.





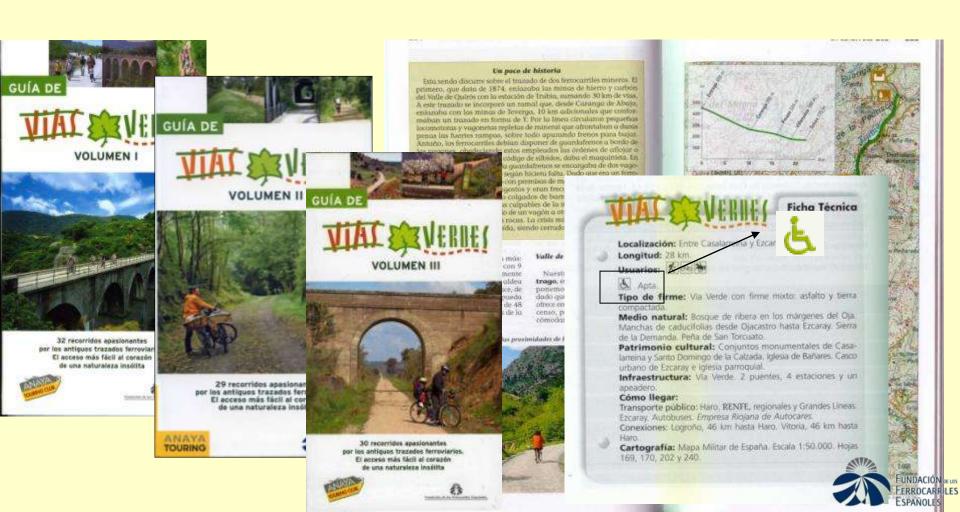
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More than 40.000 issues sold



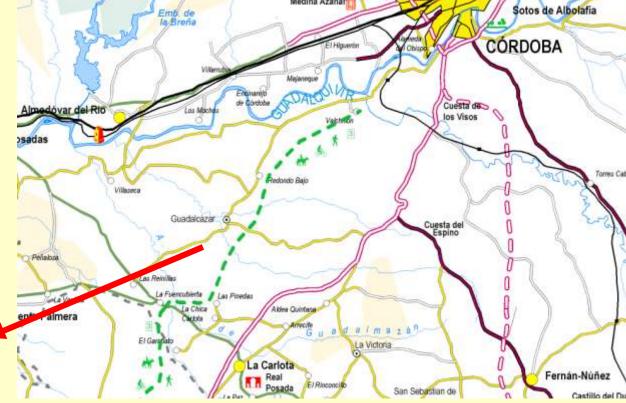
Signal Roads Map (edited by Ministry of Transports)

includes the Vías Verdes since 2002











Implication of media : Essential !!

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El Viajero

Los antiguos caminos del tren, sendas abiertas a la naturaleza



1.200 kilómetros de rutas verdes

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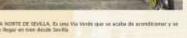
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REPORTAJE Programa Vias Verdes Otro tipo de viaje

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pages visited

(2013)



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ENGLISH VERSION





"VÍA VERDE" es una marca registrada por la Fundación de los Ferrocariles



Convocado el "Concuso de fotografía digital Andalucía se mueve por las

de la Fundación de los Ferrocarries Españoles del Dia de Andalvola, el *Concuns de fotografia digital Andalucia se mireve por las Vias Verdes", en el marco de va proyecto impulsado por la Consejería de Fomento v Vivienda de la Jenta de Andalucia y el Fondo Europeo de Desarrollo Regional, y desarrollado



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Vias Verdes

More than 400.000 "unique visitors" (2013)





Agenda

Jamadas .06,2014

"Vías Verdes de Europa: un nuevo Producto turisfica

Warkshop 4. Tendrá lugar el 20-21 de Mayo de 2014 en Rige (Letonie). Venera sobre el producto turístico V Verdes en Europa. Metodelogía para la creación producto fundico, cosos y buenas prácticas. Esta aca sera desarrollada por Vidzeme Tourium Association can la activa participación de la fundación de los ferrocantes

Programa, inscripciones e información práctica





Figa. Letonia

En España, existen más de 2.000 kilómetros de infraestructuras ferroviarias en desuso que han sido reconvertidos en ilinerarios cicloturistas y senderistas en al marco del Programa Vias Verdes coordinado por la Fundación de los Ferrocariles Españoles.



Españoles (FFE) en la Oficina Española de Patentes y Marcas en 1994, cuyo uzo está legalmente restringido a los itinerarios que discurren sobre antiguas Infraestructuras ferroviarias.

Ultima hora



(FFE) largo el pasado 26 de febrero, con motivo



Information and promotion
Newsletter InfoVías
Verdes:

25.000 readers
1.800 journalist and
media

Social Media:

- 17.500 followers on Facebook
- 2.500 followers on Twitter



🞉 Television serie about Vías Verdes : "Vive la Vía"

• 18 episodes of 30 minutes duration, 9 times shown by the public

television channel (TVE) and by its International Channel

VIVE LA VÍA (9 min. version) in YouTube:

ww.youtube.com/vivelavia

Since 2008: 550.000 downloads





Spanish Vias Verdes Stand in many events: Tourism Fairs, Environmental and active sport congress, ...: FITUR, INTUR, BioCultura, FestiBike, CONAMA ...



Spanish Greenways Day: in May. Since 1999 ... and local

activities during all the year







Furopean Greenways Day (September, in coincidence with the European MobilityWeek)



Citizen implication: Key to success



VIAS VERDES: INTEGRAL PROJECTS OF DEVELOPMENT

4. Management: developed at local and regional level



Management Consortium Tasks: monitoring, reforestation, cleaning, replacement of furniture and signposting, etc...





Cost of maintenance and management: From 2.000 to 3.000 € / km / year



Some recognitions ...

Spanish Greenways / Vías Verdes received the first International Best Practises Award – Habitat Programme of United Nations (2000), to promote the transference of this

"programme" to other regions in the world.

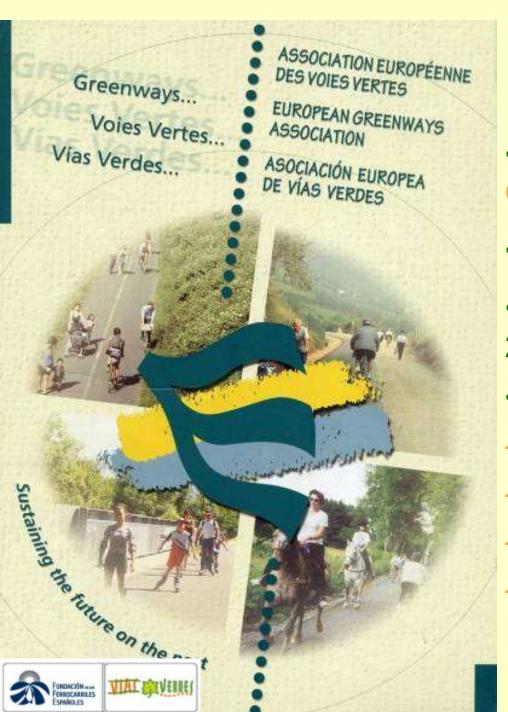


Europa Nostra Award











- Members of European Greenways Association
- Presidency (1998-2004):
- General Secretary (From 2009)
- European Projects:
- Rever Med
- -Naviki
- -Greenways4Tour
- -GreenwaysProduct

