

 GARDEN CONSERVATION		<h2>Craft Skills for Garden Conservation</h2> <p>- finding, developing, and sharing best practice in garden conservation</p>	
Title of the Unit:		U4. Ornamental Plants in Historic Gardens.	Version no. 1 – 21.05.24
Description:		<p>Ornamental plants have played a crucial role in historic gardens, reflecting the artistic, cultural, and horticultural trends of different periods and regions. Understanding their historical context, preservation, and restoration is essential for maintaining the authenticity and integrity of these gardens.</p> <p>This course explores the use of ornamental plants in historic gardens, focusing on how they were selected, cultivated, and designed in various time periods. Participants will learn how to assess, conserve, and, when necessary, restore or reintroduce these vital elements while balancing historical accuracy with modern sustainability practices.</p> <p>The course consists of a webinar and a hands-on workshop. The webinar covers key topics such as reconstructing historical gardens, selecting appropriate plant species and designs, and tracking historical plant records. It also examines significant movements in garden history, including the 18th-century landscape movement, 19th-century plant breeding advancements, and the introduction of carpet bedding in the Nordic countries. Additionally, the webinar highlights efforts in preserving endangered cultivars and maintaining national gene banks.</p> <p>The workshop provides practical experience in analysing and interpreting historical planting plans within selected gardens. Participants will engage in hands-on activities to evaluate plant choices, develop conservation strategies, and ensure the long-term sustainability of historic garden plantings.</p>	
EQF Level:		6.1	
Learning Outcomes			
CSGC U-1	Code	Competence	
		Knowledge	Skills
1.1	U4 1.1		

Introduction to the History of Ornamental plants	Knowledge: The participant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understands the historical significance, design principles, and cultural context of ornamental plants in historic gardens. • recognizes the influence of different historical periods on plant selection and garden design. 	Skills: The participant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can assess historical planting plans and make informed decisions on conservation and restoration strategies.
	Competence: The participant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can communicate knowledge about ornamental plants, their history, and conservation to a broad audience. • can work independently and collaboratively in managing ornamental plant collections within historic gardens. 	
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<p>Management of Ornamental plants in Historic Gardens</p>	<p>Knowledge:</p> <p>The participant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has knowledge of key horticultural practices for the conservation, restoration, and reintroduction of ornamental plants. • understands the role of plant records in documenting and managing historic plant collections. • is familiar with sustainability principles and strategies for maintaining biodiversity in historic gardens 	<p>Skills.</p> <p>The participant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can identify, document, and manage ornamental plant collections within historic gardens. • can apply appropriate traditional techniques, like propagation, to preserve the original plant material in the garden. • can collaborate with professionals and stakeholders to develop best practices for preserving ornamental plant heritage.
	<p>Competence:</p> <p>The participant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can contribute to the ongoing research, development, and innovation in the field of historic garden management. • can apply ethical considerations in the restoration and conservation of historic plantings. 	