THE RECOVERING OF “CASCO VELLO DE VIGO”

DESCRIPTION

REFURBISHMENT
The procedure starts with the purchase of the properties using public funds for its refurbishment or rebuild if necessary. Then, projects from different architectural firms of the city will link the inherited technical reports with the current needs, and improve the neighbourhood with their own unique ideas. The result, social housing (responsibility of autonomic government) and commercial premises (awarded by open tender), establishing a guideline that promotes job creation and activity in the area through practices which are compatible with neighbourhood life.

BOOSTING THE ACTIVITY OF THE OLD QUARTER AND EXTERNAL OUTREACH
Activity boosters such as institutional and administrative entities. The consortium promotes collaboration agreements with organisms like the College of Property Registrars (Colegio de Registradores de la Propiedad), Provincial Association of Construction Promoters (Asociación Provincial de Empresarios de la Construcción), the Galician Photography Centre (Centro Gallego de Fotografía), the Xunta’s Notification Office (Oficina de Notificaciones de la Xunta), Down Vigo, and Vigo University, to have their installations in the neighbourhood.

Collaboration with the “Vigo Contemporary Art Museum”, so that an abandoned house of the Old Quarter becomes a stage for artist performances. Architect Encounters, a platform for knowledge exchange and training for professionals, related with refurbishments.

MOBILITY
Mobility and accessibility are the main arguments to avoid situations of marginality, loss of population in an area, and also to boost social and economic activity. Therefore the Consortium takes part in mobility programs that work to improve urban space in the Old Quarter based in pedestrianize; a call for an idea contest to connect the upper and lower parts of the neighbourhood.