In order to develop the international tourism route and achieve the success of the tourism campaign, the trip 6-10 June, 2022, was organized by PP4. By organizing the trip, PP4 (Anyksciai) rented a minibus for all partners, ordered ferry tickets, searched on Internet for possible to visit Struve Geodetic Arc points, communicated with LP and together planned a route, also, the accommodation places were searched. The contacts were established in Tartu old observatory in advance for visit there.

The route of the trip was so:

2022-06-06 – Anykščiai – Jekabpilis (Latvija) – Sestukalns (Ergliai, Latvija) – Nesaules kalns (Madona apskr., Latvija) – Ramka (Lizums apskr., Latvija) – Otepa (Estija);

2022-06-07 – Otepa (Estija) – Harimägi (Valga apskr., Estija) - Tartu senoji observatorija (Tartu, Estija) - Põltsamaa Loss (Jõgeva apskr., Estija) – Emumägi (Viru apskr., Estija) – Talinas (Estija);

2022-06-08 – Talinas (Estija) – Helsinkis (Suomija) – Oravivuori (Jyväskylä, Suomija) – Tornikallio (Suomija) - Helsinkis (Suomija);

2022-06-09 – Helsinkis (Suomija) – Talinas (Estija) – Daborkalns (Sēlpils apskr., Latvija) – Jekabpilis (Latvija) – Anykščiai (Lietuva);

2022-06-10 Anykščiai (Lietuva) – Paliepiukai, Meškonys (Vilniaus raj.) – Gireišiai (Rokiškio raj.) – Anykščiai.

During the trip, the contacts were established not only in Tartu old observatory but in Põltsamaa Loss, too, both sites are in Estonia. There was no possibility to have contact in Finland as the two points, we visited during the trip, are only outdoors, there is no buildings near them (no visitors centre or else).

After taking this trip, there was a better vision how to develop the regulation of the tourism campaign, what is important to mention and what a situation is around the Struve points. Now will be easier to select Struve Geodetic arc stations and points and Struve linked sites for the international tourism route and include them into promotional campaign leaflet.

For publishing information on the Struve campaign, till now, three countries, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia are available but we hope that we will find a contact in Finland, too.

We plan to offer an international route of the Struve Geodetic arc, inviting travellers to do 2, 3, or even 5 days trips.

Our trip lasted 5 days and we got experience if it is possible to travel so long and how many Struve points it is possible to visit during this time.

By planning the Application of the project, we hoped, that will be possible to include catering and guest house owners situated on the route to achieve a discount if the travellers show the campaign leaflet. But now, by real travelling, we noticed, that some points are far from such places and there is difficult to find possible owners who can apply discounts – the Covid period and changeable economic situation adjusted this sector of business and not all food or guesthouse providers opened their business after lockdowns.

Another observation was, if there are comfortable places to offer stamps, and we decided, that stamps we will offer only in our equipped places (Daborkalns, Jekabpils and Storiai) but in other places visitors can get simply marks, according to what place their visit. And in these places which are outdoors far from buildings, the visitors can make own photo near the place information signs to prove their visit there.

Possible international routes of the Struve Geodetic arc, inviting travellers to do:

2 days trip – points in Lithuania and Latvia (Storiai / Gireišiai or Meškonys/Paliepiukai (LT) – Jekabpils / Daborkalns (LV)

3 days trip - points in Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia (Storiai / Gireišiai or Meškonys/Paliepiukai (LT) – Jekabpils / Daborkalns / Nesaules kalns (LV) / Harimägi / Tartu old observatory / Põltsamaa Loss / Emumägi (EST)

5 days trip - points in Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Finland (Storiai / Gireišiai or Meškonys/Paliepiukai (LT) – Jekabpils / Daborkalns / Nesaules kalns or Sestukalns (LV) / Harimägi / Tartu old observatory / Põltsamaa Loss / Emumägi / Voivere (EST) – Oravivuori / Porlomi, Tornikallio (FIN).