

Gediminas Castle Hill, Lithuania, update 2019





PROJECT SUMMARY

NAME: Landslide affecting Gediminas' Castle Hill

YEAR: 2017-19

CLIENT: National Museum of Lithuania

CONSULTANT: Geosense

INSTRUMENTATION SPECIALIST: GPS Partneris

INSTRUMENTATION SPECIALIST: Gintaris Maknavicius



Vista Data Vision - Load Cells



Prisms



Tilt Meters

OVERVIEW

Work continues to stablise landslide damage affecting Gediminas' Castle Hill in Lithuania. The castle was built in the 14th Century. Historical sources mention the first catastrophic landslide occurred in 1396. More recently, a catastrophic slide occurred in 2017 following severe rainfall.

The site was closed to the public and work began to stablise the area.

As well as controlling any movement in two retaining walls - a small stone one at the top and a main masonry wall at the bottom - the aim was also to activate an on-site landslide alert.

This is the first wireless, remote control monitoring system to be installed in Lithuania.

The site and the funicular have now reopened to visitors.

The project to stabilise the hill has so far cost the state 9 million euros.

MONITORING

Geotechnical monitoring began approximately two years ago following a series of severe landslides. Geosense sensors continue to provide online real-time monitoring and alarm alert.

So far, 23 wireless tilt meters have been installed, connected to the Wi-SOS 480 Gateway; 50 prisms are powered with four GeoMax Total Stations and five load cells measure the anchors' load, powered by a Geologger G8-Plus.

Future plans include increasing the number of prisms, installing piezometers for water level measurement in boreholes and drainage water wells and using inclinometers in a 40m borehole in the centre of the hill.

PRODUCTS USED

Wi-SOS 480 wireless Tilt Meters

Monitor exisiting retaining walls and landslide.

Wi-SOS 480 GatewayGPRS Gateway, mains connected.

Monitoring PrismsFor measuring deflection.

Anchor Load CellsMeasuring load on anchors.

Geologger G8-Plus

Data logger purpose-designed for geotechnical applications

See following pages for a photographic timeline of progress at Gediminas' Tower

Pictorial Timeline







1. NW site 2016.01

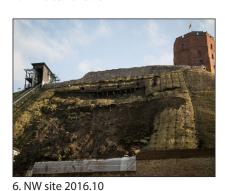
3. NW site 2016.05





4. NW site 2016.10

5. NW site 2016.10





7. NW site 2016.10



8. E site 2017





9. SE site 2017

10. SW site 2017

Pictorial Timeline





12. S site 2018



11. S site 2017



13. S site 2018



14. S site 2018



15. NW site 2018



17. NW site 2018



18. NW site 2019





19. W site 2018

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