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HINTERLAND Vitality Check

Examples from typology : type Nr.8



Seredžius from Palemonas hill

Seredžius

Number of inhabitants :

3096

Name of Municipality :

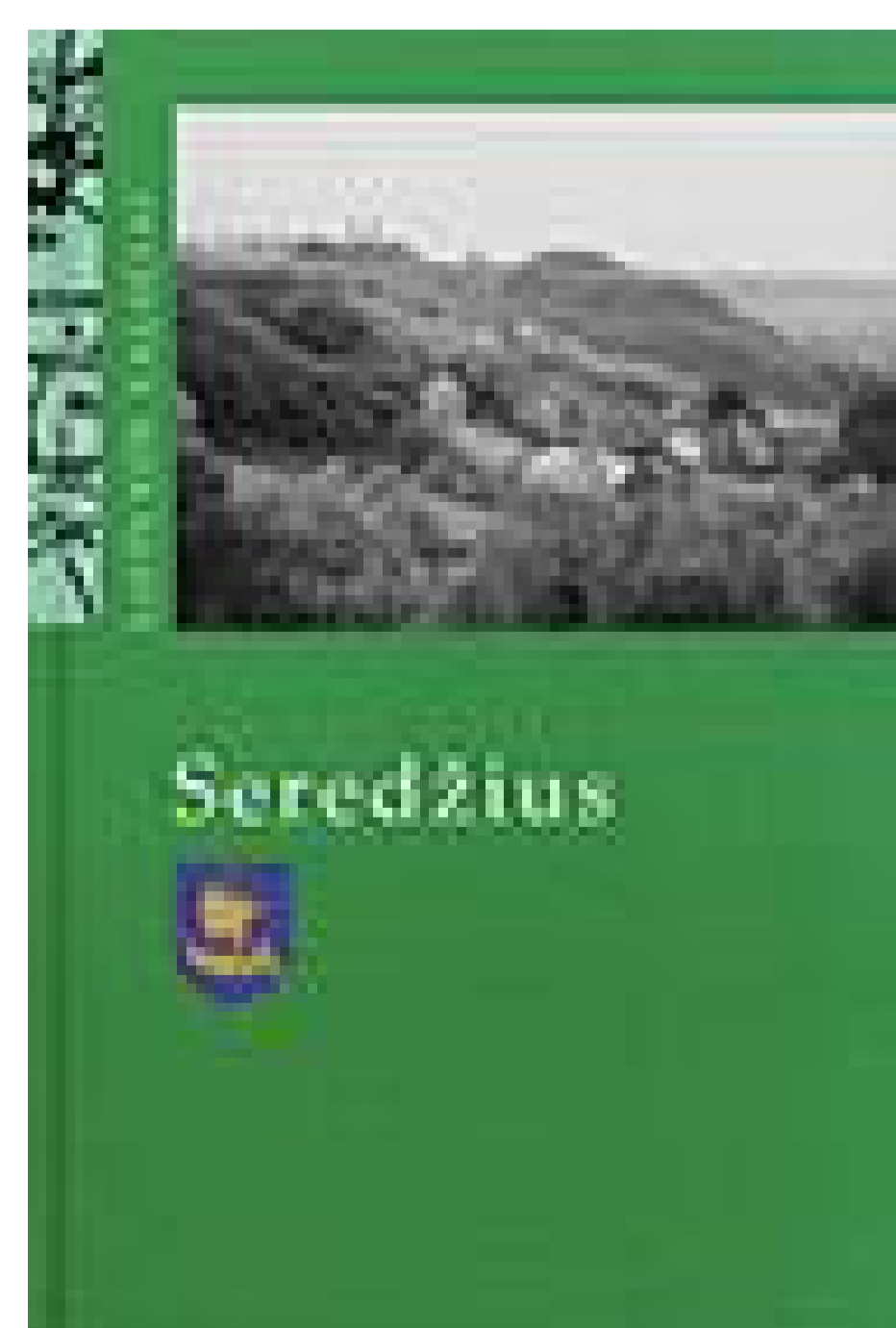
Jurbarkas.

Name of County :

Lithuania

Vorderland dist. (*dist. center*)

43 km to Kaunas



A voice from **Seredžius**

“We saw Seredžius not poorer than other towns near the River Nemunas and then we in loved it” Vida Girininkienė

(Supreme editress and former of monograph “Seredžius”)



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We are type *Nr. 8* !

What does it mean for our village and what do we have to do?

Strengthen the strengths!

Demography

- In 3 basic and 1 primary school learning 420 pupils. Active youth.

Economy

- Good geographical state; 16 small and average business enterprises locality; active farmers get support from EU structural funds.

Social Life

- There are old people care centre in locality; active functioning 3 community organizations (250 people).

Reduce the risks!

- High people emigration level; mortality index 10 times higher than birth rate;
- No creation of new working place in locality; declining forests resource.
- Lack of social workers, there are many alone persons.



Seredžiaus basic school



Special part in Seredžiaus area goes to Nemunas vale



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Look what we have achieved so far :

Year: Activity description

2001 - established Klausučiai Credit Union.

2003 – established “Seredžius” monograph .

2003 - 710 year for locality.

2003 - established Klausučiai community centre.

2005 – established Armeniškės village community.

2005 - established country museum.

2005 - Seredžius basic Scholl participated in Socrates programme Comenius project performance.

2006 – established Seredžius school pupils club “Congenials”.

2006 – project supported from EU funds “Tauragė region Jurbarkas district village and out-of-the-way localities first health care institution modernization”.

40 years, each year take place the most beautiful homestead elections.



Seredžius school folklore ensemble



Basketball competition



Holu Jonas Baptist church



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Our vision for the future :

Seredžius is a locality, where there are asphalted and light roads; in Nemunas and Dubysa vale modern living and active, collaborate, looking back to nature and ethnoculture people; realizing schools teaching handcrafts and cultural heritage development programmes...

Other projects:

- **Development of old people house: establishing of Day centers for old and elderly people.**
- **Establishment of kindergarden in Seredžius.**
- **Cooperative activity of Klausučiai school and community: installation of specialized hard athletic hall.**
- **Incentive of community activity: Organizing of srpin bees.**
- **Tyding of locality environment: parks, care and tyding of swimming places.**
- **Continueing School teaching programmes in ethnoculture field (“Way of Bread”).**
- **Business rising of youth: tyding the school sport square.**
- **Country tourism developing: opening of motel.**
- **Educating of country people: organizing the teaching in project preparing, order writing topics.**
- **Establishment of Culture and education centre.**



Seredžius (Palemonas hill) mound



„Cultural heritage of Seredžius land”



Ensemble of Belvederis chamber is Lithuanian architectural monument