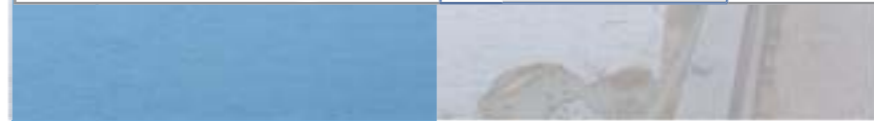
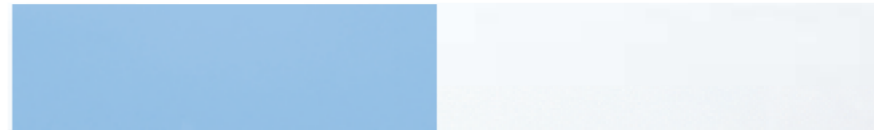




COASTAL PEDESTRIAN PATH

*Città Vecchia*

Taranto



*The funding from the Puglia ROP for the four projects (tourist harbour, fishing harbour, dolphin island and fountains) will be used in conjunction with support from Iniziativa Comunitaria Urban for the renovation of historical buildings.*

*The works are due to be completed by June 2004.*

The intervention, which has already begun, involves the improvement of the seafront along the stretch of coast adjacent to the Taranto historical centre and facing the Mar Grande. The project consists of the repair of the reinforced concrete structures on which the pedestrian footpath leans, replacing the flooring with natural stone slabs and restoring large parts of the sea wall. Structures will also be built directly on the sea, for spectacular water games.

The project, supervised by the Comune of Taranto, will cost approximately 1.7 million Euros, financed from the Puglia Regional Operational Programme (ROP).

The works aim both to ensure the continuation of the footpath, through an area of great natural beauty and historic and cultural importance, and to increase the number of visitors to the area, exploiting the strong appeal of the water games.

The area will act as a junction for tourist traffic, between the coasts of Taranto and the inner routes, encouraging the development of commercial, cultural, and recreational activities in that area of the town.

