



**GKZ STONE JOURNEY 2020: STONE-cultural landscape in Castilla y León 25.04. – 02.05.2020**

There are only a few regions in Europe that combine natural stone - landscape - architecture - lifestyle in such a symbiotic way. This year's

GKZ STONE journey therefore promises pure stone-enjoyment!

In cooperation with our Spanish partner, the Natural Stone Association PINACAL and the EU MIREU project <https://mireu.eu/>, GKZ offers an exciting excursion route.

Starting from the World Cultural Heritage city of Burgos, every day opens new views and insights into various stone-influenced locations. In addition, further architectural city excursions in León, Salamanca and Segovia, a variety of quarries and natural stone processing companies are available for the participants. For example, the STONE journey will visit deposits and processors of limestone, marble, sandstone, slate and granite. Moreover, a workshop with natural stone companies and our MIREU partners offers the opportunity for networking, exchange of information on the challenges of natural stone extraction and distribution in Europe in the sense of regional value adding. Questions of securing skilled labour force and further training in natural stone are also up for discussion.

The GKZ's STONE journeys have been organised annually since 2010. Eastern France was the focus of the last year's programme. The offer expects to attract participants from the natural stone quarrying and processing industry, restorers, architects and monument conservators, geologists and other people interested in STONE.