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SOURCES OF CULTURE:
THE CAFÉS OF EUROPE





The Route of Spa Towns in the Massif Central is running the SOURCE project in partnership with the European Historic Thermal Towns Association (EHTTA), a network already endorsed by the Council of Europe. The SOURCE project is partly funded by an award from the European Culture programme 2007-2013, whose objectives are **cultural cooperation** and **intercultural dialogue**.

The Route of Spa Towns in the Massif Central is coordinating the project, which will be developed between May 2013 and April 2015, with **10 co-organisers** :

- The EHTTA - European Historic Thermal Towns Association (Belgium),
- The town of Bath (United Kingdom),
- The Centre of Arts in Enghien-les-Bains (France),
- The town of Acqui Terme (Italy),
- The town of Fiuggi (Italy),
- The Médiathèque Valéry-Larbaud of the town of Vichy (France),
- The Royat-Chamalières Tourist Office (France),
- The Tourist Office of Spa (Belgium),
- The town of Ourense (Spain),
- The town of Baden-Baden (Germany).

The SOURCE project is built on a **rich history** and **cultural heritage**. It is made up of four parts.



THE CAFÉS OF EUROPE

Discussions on the future of spa towns through a series of **prestigious round-table debates** called "Cafés of Europe", linked to large-scale **cultural festivals** taking place in the host towns.

FESTIVENTS

the spa towns as sources of creativity

The objective is to spread awareness among European citizens of the **rich variety of festivals and exhibitions** to be found in the spa towns.

Thanks to Festivents funding, the organisers and curators of cultural events and European cultural operators will be able to come together and **exchange ideas** for the **preparation of future collaborations**.

"AT THE SOURCES OF EUROPE"

an interactive novel

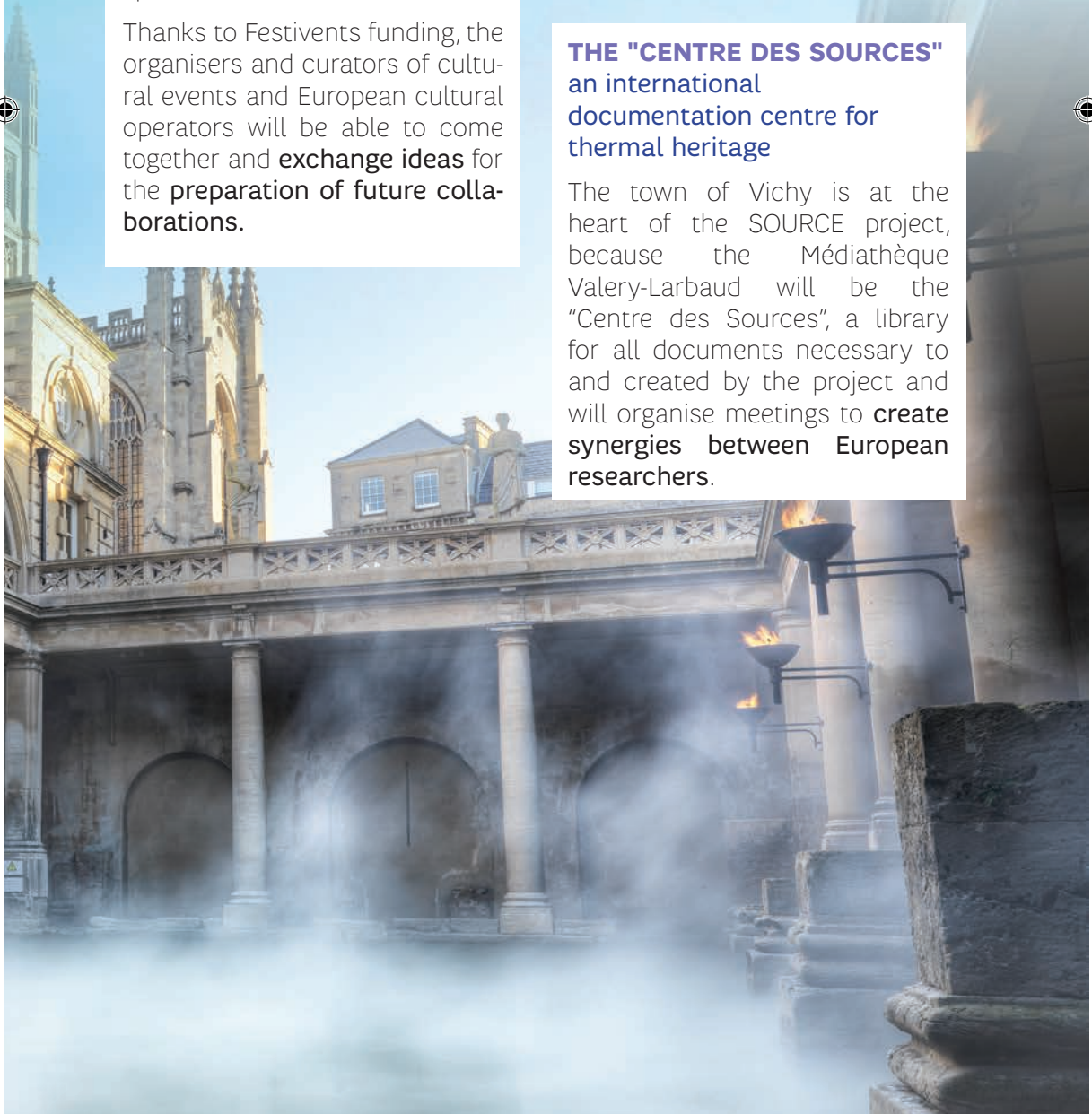
Written and illustrated via social media, this interactive novel will retrace the journeys of historic figures that frequented the spa towns of Europe. The **four characters** of this interactive novel will be brought to life by **actors** who meet each other at the Cafés of Europe. **Digital travel diaries** will be produced during each Cafés of Europe.



THE "CENTRE DES SOURCES"

an international documentation centre for thermal heritage

The town of Vichy is at the heart of the SOURCE project, because the Médiathèque Valéry-Larbaud will be the "Centre des Sources", a library for all documents necessary to and created by the project and will organise meetings to **create synergies between European researchers**.



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