

Archaeological site Ostrog with hill Balvan

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Summary

As part of the project, the following activities were carried out on the site:

- 1) Research and documentation of the fortification system with restoration study
- 2) Restoration of the walls and basic landscaping
- 3) Renewed road in length of 1200 m

Research and documentation of the fortification system with restoration study

On the area of hill Balavan, pilot site Ostrog archeological research including two fortification system were conducted. During the summer 2020 the area has been cleared from vegetation and prepared for exploration which took place in following months. Exploration included two historical periods, two fortification systems that are overlapping on a small area. Methodology and research phases are detail presented in document “Study of necessary conservation works on the part of the Ostrog site Balavan and proposal of rehabilitation works for the Ostrog site”, November 2020, prepared by external expertise Kvinar d.o.o.

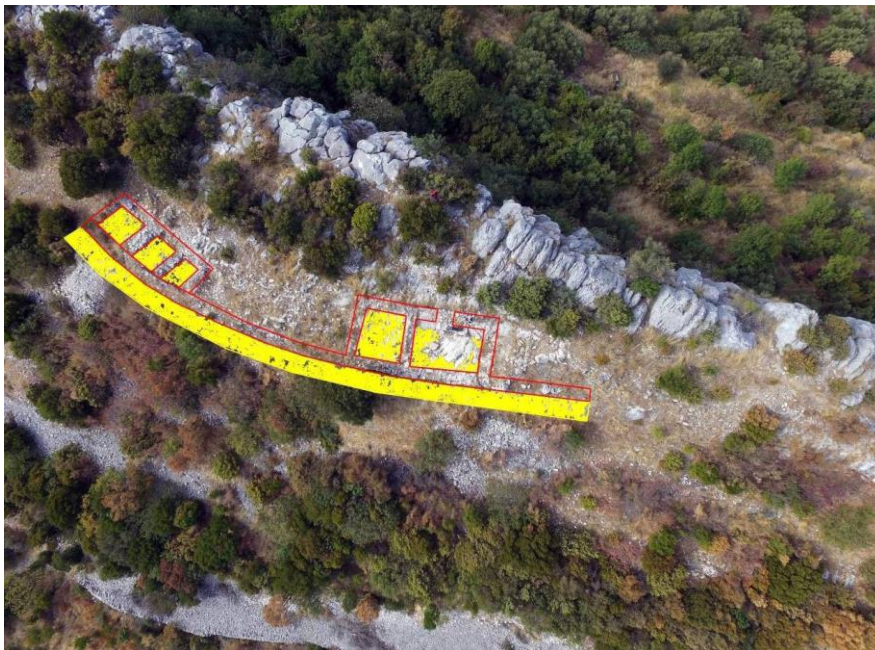


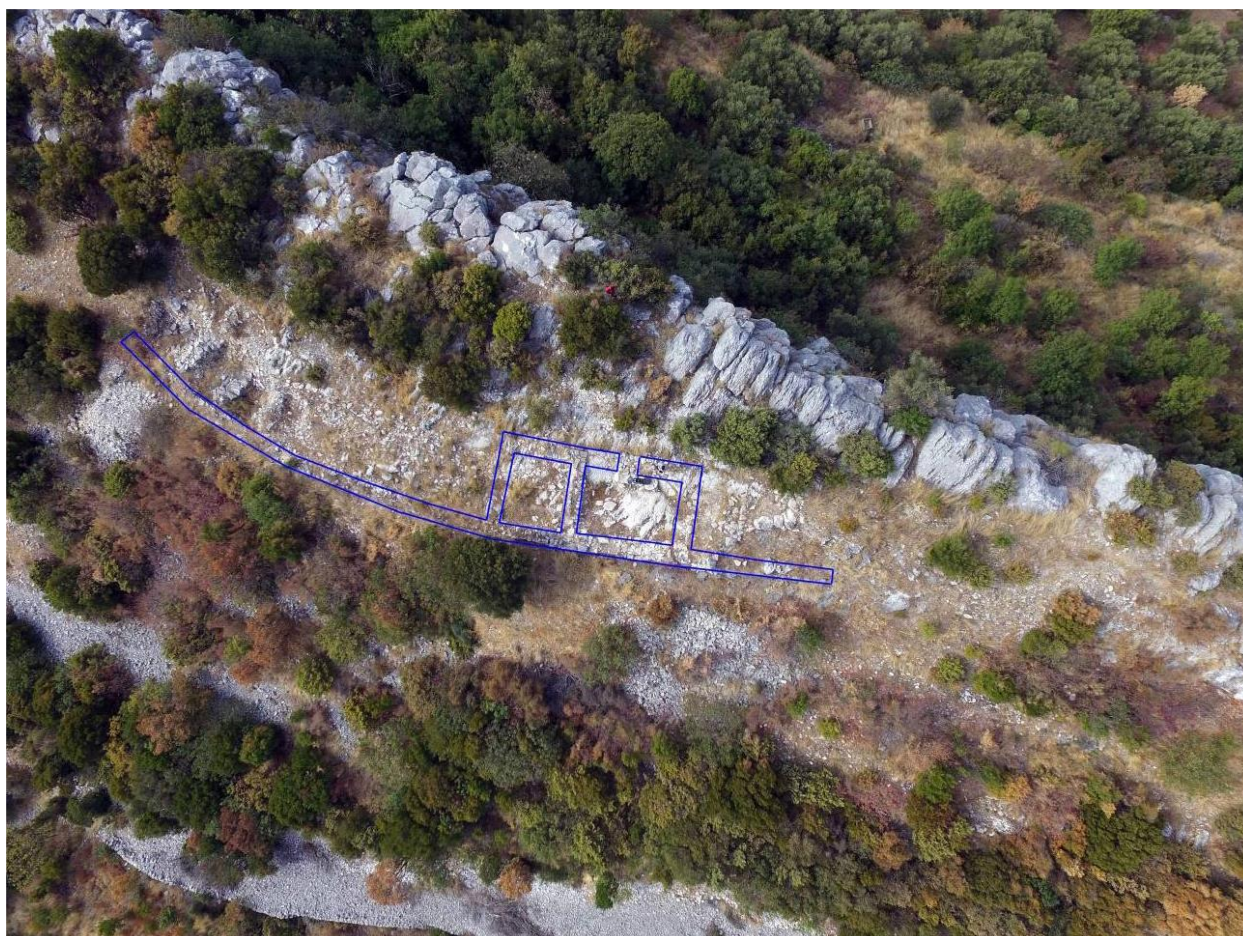
Slika 9. Pogled iz zraka s označenim dijelovima lokaliteta Ostrog - Balavan, izvor: T. Burić.

Picture 1. Panoramic picture of site with marked parts of pilot site Ostrog



Picture 2. Research and labeling of the site in the progress





Picture 3. The walls of a prehistoric rampart and a medieval tower

Restoration of the walls and basic landscaping

The second phase of the project was the restoration and conservation of the fortification system. The activities took place during the summer of 2021. In this period, parts of the fortification system were reconstructed and preserved in order to restore the overall picture of the site. Methodology and tools used in that activity are presented in “REPORT ON CONDUCTED CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION WORKS ON THE PART OF THE SITE OSTROG - BALAVAN - II. WORK PHASE” October 2021. On the site wall construction was carried out through the anchoring of loose stones and basic landscaping to make the site more accessible.



Picture 4. The upbringing of the original wall



Picture 5. Wall after reconstruction



Picture 6. Location of the fortification and reconstruction process

Renewed road in length of 1200 mt

Since the site of Ostrog is situated on the top of the hill Balavan the dirt road and foot path that lead to that place were in bad shape and needed basic reconstruction in order to make the site accessible to a wider population. Dirt road is partly paved on the most exposed parts and drainage channels are made in order to prevent erosion. Some of the vegetation near the road was removed but minimal interventions were needed to make it more accessible. The path that leads to the site was cleaned from vegetation and collapsed stone walls were repaired.

