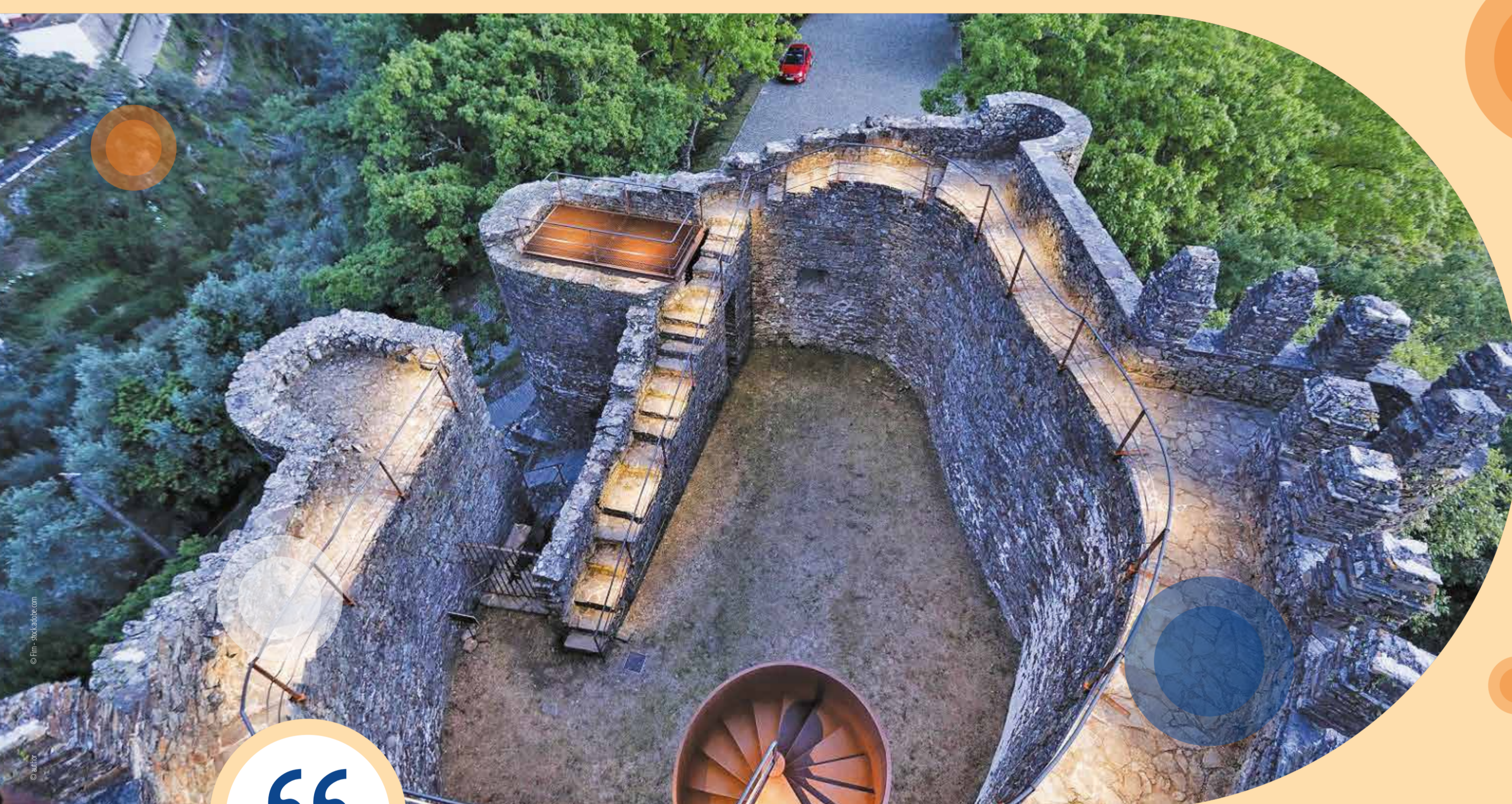


Lousã has given a boost to local tourism by breathing new life into its iconic castle

Rehabilitation and accessibility of Lousã Castle and its surroundings



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The investment of EU funds allowed not only to preserve and enhance a monument with relevant importance, but also to strengthening the tourism offer of the municipality of Lousã

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Luís Antunes
Mayor of Lousã

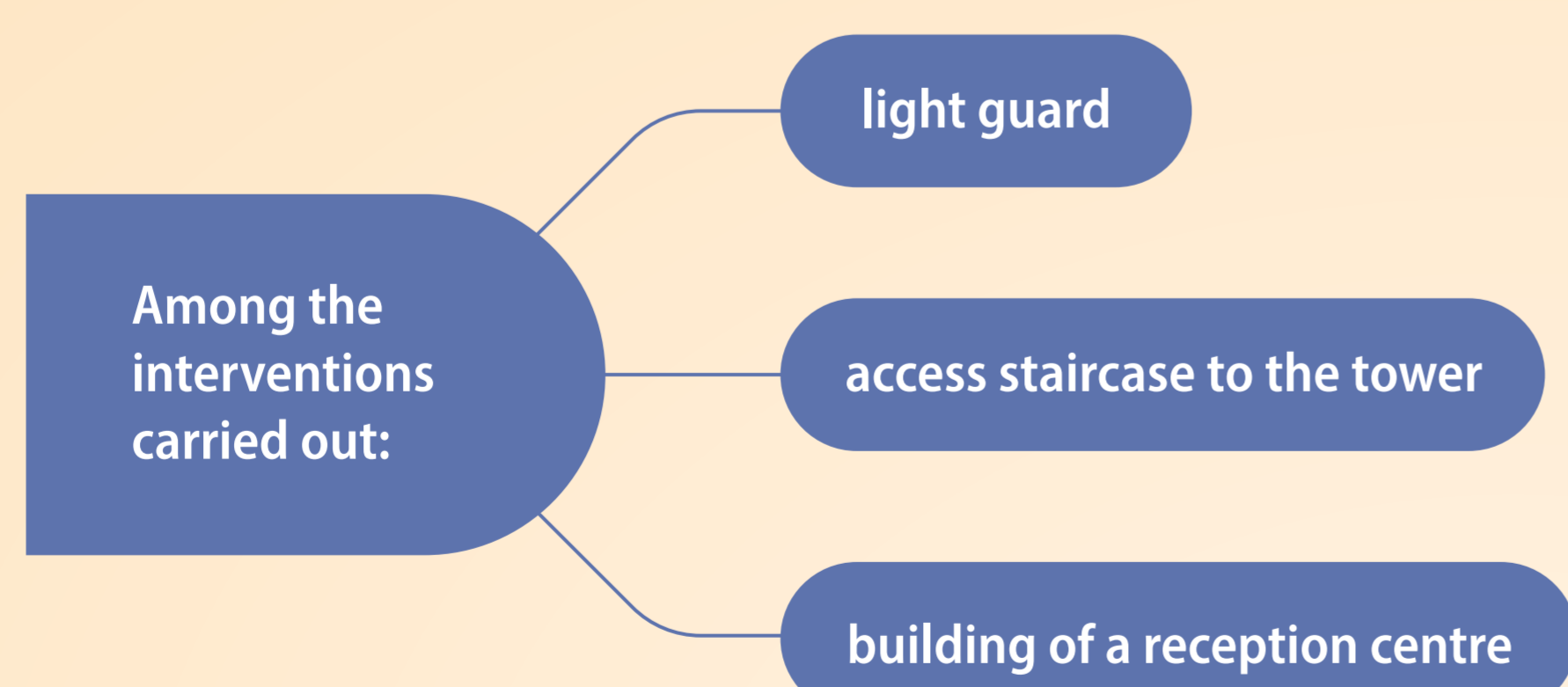


Objectives:

- Recover and revitalise the architectural and cultural heritage of Lousã
- Safeguard and valorise the tangible and intangible heritage of the surrounding landscape
- Involve the local population and attract tourism

Impact on local community:

- The castle became accessible and safe for both the local community and tourists
- Since its reopening, Lousã Castle has received an average of 35,000 visitors per year, making it one of the top reasons for travelling to Lousã and to Coimbra Region
- The local community is now able to promote the sustainability of its territory



"Lousã Castle is, landscape-wise, one of the most beautiful things you can find in Portugal"



José Saramago, Nobel Prize in Literature, in *"Viagem a Portugal"*

Funding:

- Over € 3.3 million from cohesion policy (ERDF)

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