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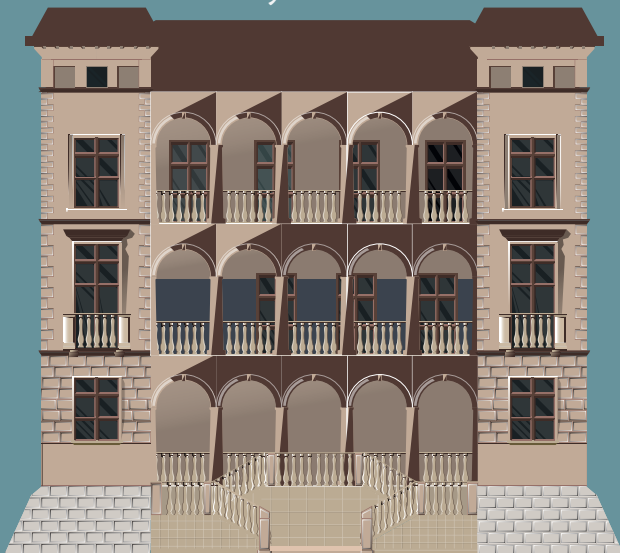
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The Villa Decius, with its exceptional history and uniqueness of architecture, was chosen to represent the Polish itinerary under RenEU: New Renaissance in Europe project. The itinerary "Renaissance Route in Malopolska", created in a partnership with the Malopolska Region, presents cultural heritage and history of the European Renaissance in Poland.

The Villa Decius is one of the most renowned and beautiful examples of the Renaissance residential architecture in Poland. Built in 1535 on the initiative of Iustus Ludovicus Decius, a secretary of the Polish King Sigismund I, it became an example of the paradis terrestre estates, which served as venues of rest, meetings, exchange of ideas and philosophical debates.

Nowadays, the historical complex is managed by the Villa Decius Association, which in its activities refers to the humanistic spirit of its patron and aims at creating an international forum for dialogue of cultures and promoting humanistic heritage of Europe.

The Villa Decius, because of its genius loci and spirit of humanitas, carries memories of the heydays of culture and understanding between nations and fosters the ideas of Renaissance in the united Europe.

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