

MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE BOUNDARIES OF WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES

MUSKAUER PARK/PARK MUŻAKOWSKI WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTY (GERMANY, POLAND), property Id No 1127

1) Area of the property (in hectares):

- a.1) the area of the property as inscribed = **348 ha**
- a.2) the area of the buffer zone as inscribed = **1 204,65 ha**
- b.1) the area of the property as proposed to be modified = **352,14 ha**
- b.2) the area of the buffer zone as proposed to be modified = **1 213,62 ha**

2) Description of the modification:

The boundaries of the property and its buffer zone have been plotted on a higher accuracy (scale and resolution) map using modern GIS software thus have been adjusted to include the factual shape of the land plots within the existing property and buffer zone.

While redrawing the boundaries from the very general topographic map (primarily included in the nomination file) to currently available cadastral and geographically referenced information data map, some minor discrepancies occurred. These result directly from technical conditions of converting a general topographic map, on which the boundaries were plotted over 20 years ago, to more precise (new) one and the fact that previous map charting was not always respecting ownership plots, rather following the line of trees, roads, terrain and other relatable important topographic features drawn with accuracy of the original scale of the topographic map 1: 25000.

The revised boundaries of the property and its buffer zone follow plot boundaries of the Muskauer Park/Park Mużakowski (Germany and Poland) ownership, as well as follow specific geographical and infrastructure features such as roads, completing the revised boundaries.

The exact details and coordinates of the revised boundaries are documented and available in the accompanying maps, which provide a comprehensive visual representation and justification for the proposed change.

3) Justification for the modification:

The primary objective was to draw up and provide the World Heritage Centre with adequate quality maps for the property and its buffer zone (as indicated in the letter of 16 December 2022 Ref: CLT/WHC/NOM/22/158) – replacing less accurate maps that were submitted with the nomination of the Muskauer Park/Park Mużakowski World Heritage site and adopted by the World Heritage Committee with the inscription on the World Heritage List in 2004.

The proposed boundary modification is a technical not essential change, that takes into consideration various factors, including the preservation of cultural and natural heritage, the protection of significant features or landscapes, and the maintenance of historical context. The minor extension of the property and its buffer zone is intended to ensure comprehensive management and protection of the identified value and characteristics associated with the site.

Furthermore, the proposed change to the boundaries of the property and buffer zone adhere to applicable legal and regulatory frameworks, including local and national guidelines for property management and conservation.

4) Contribution to the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value:

The proposed minor boundary modification of the property and the buffer zone will help to manage the property with the main objective of the protection of its Outstanding Universal Value through the clarification and reflecting factual area of the protection and management requirements. Therefore the modification will support respective institutions and services in fulfilling their duties to preserve the essential characteristics and attributes that contribute to the property's OUV.

5) Implications for legal protection:

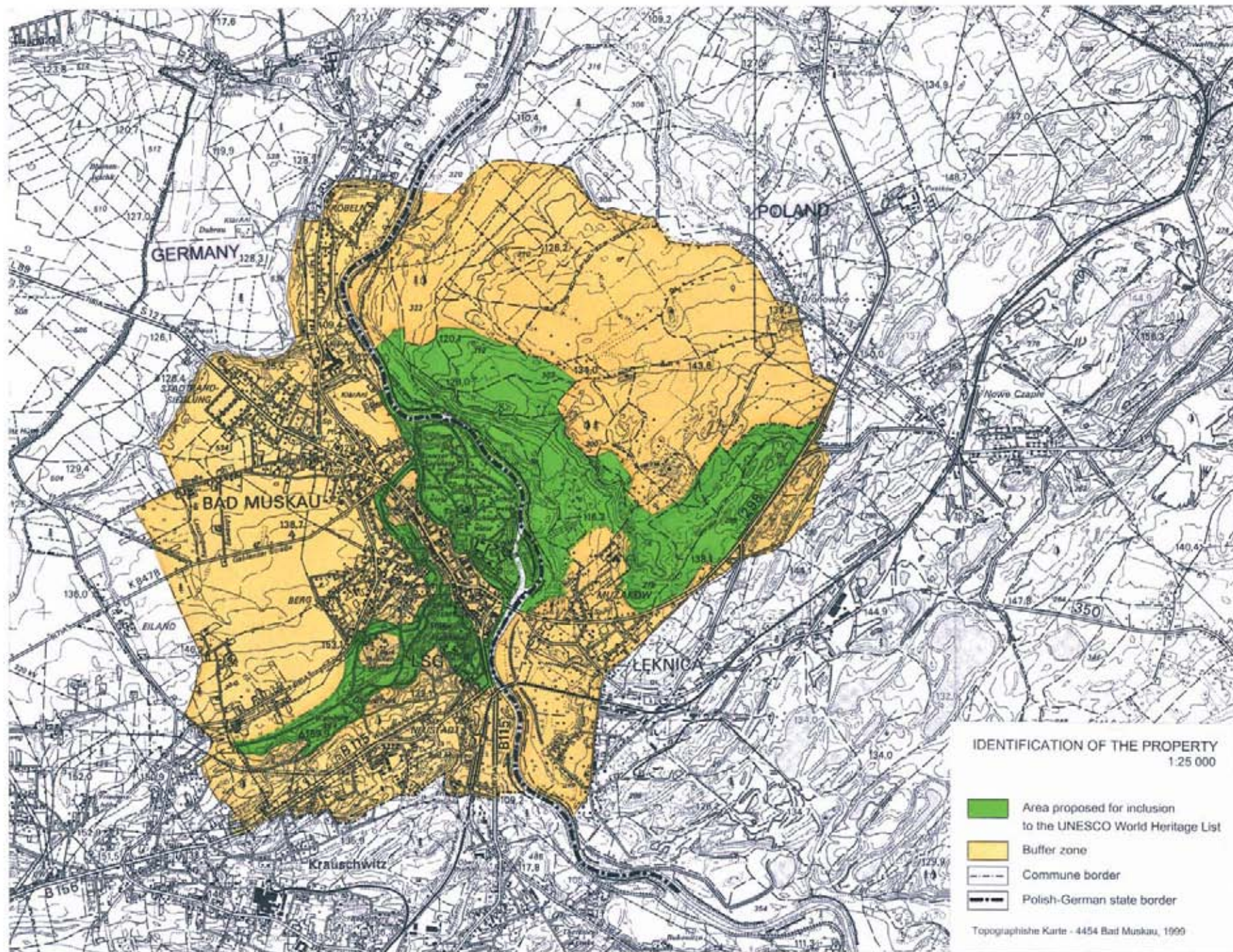
Overall, the proposed modification of the boundary of the property and its buffer zone aims to strengthen the continued protection and management of the site's Outstanding Universal Value while accounting for relevant stakeholder input and regulatory requirements.

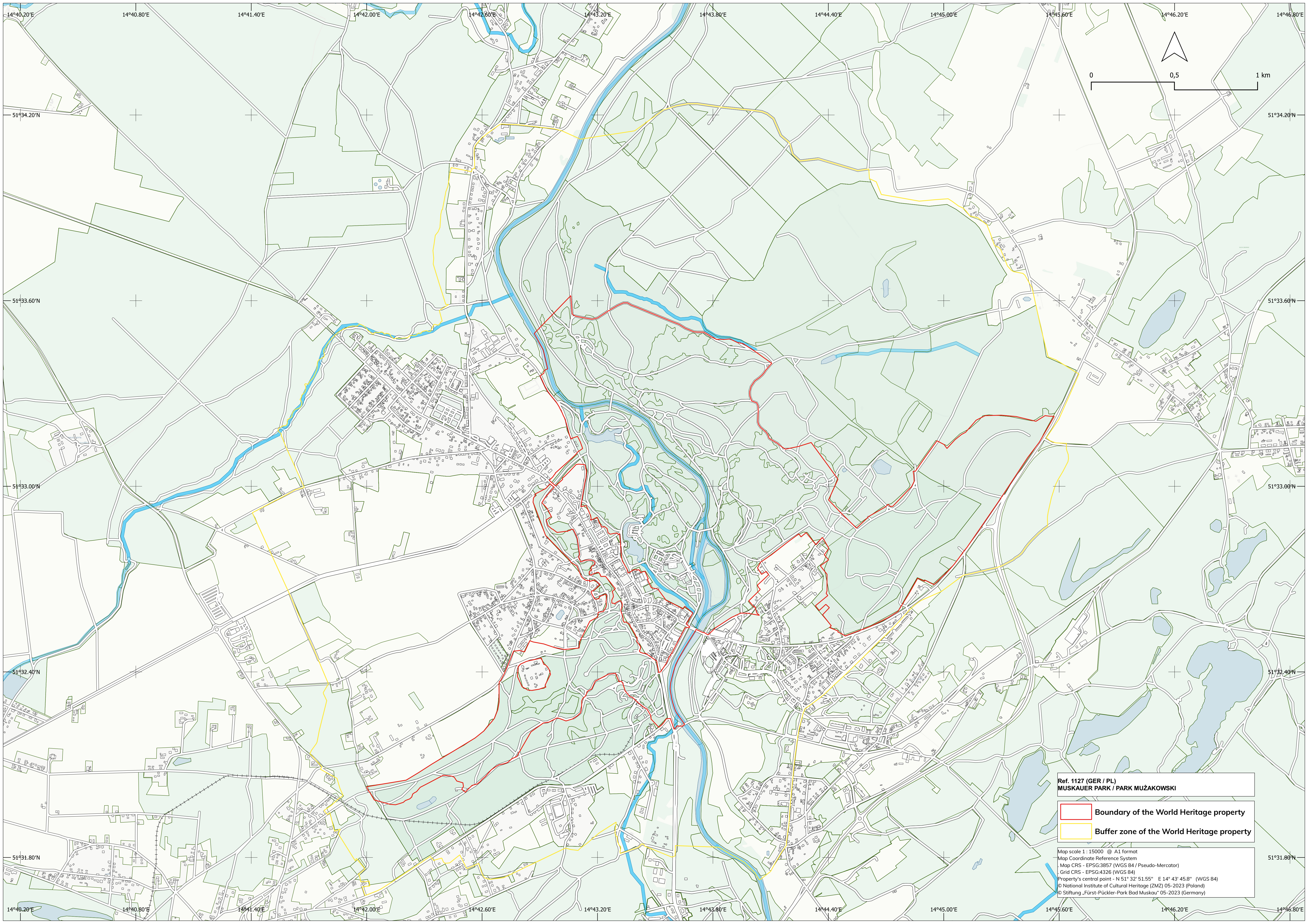
6) Implications for management arrangements:

The proposed boundary modification serves overall better identification of World Heritage property and its buffer zone therefore enhances comprehensive management and protection of the specific OUV attributes.

Appendixes:

1. Letter from World Heritage Centre of 16 December 2022 (Ref.: CLT/WHC/NOM/22/179) concerning cartographic and geographic information of the “Muskauer Park – Park Mużakowski” World Heritage property (Germany, Poland).
2. Map contained in the nomination dossier of the property (2004)
3. Map with revised boundaries of the property and its buffer zone
4. Map with revised boundaries of the property and its buffer zone with delineated state border
5. GIS data

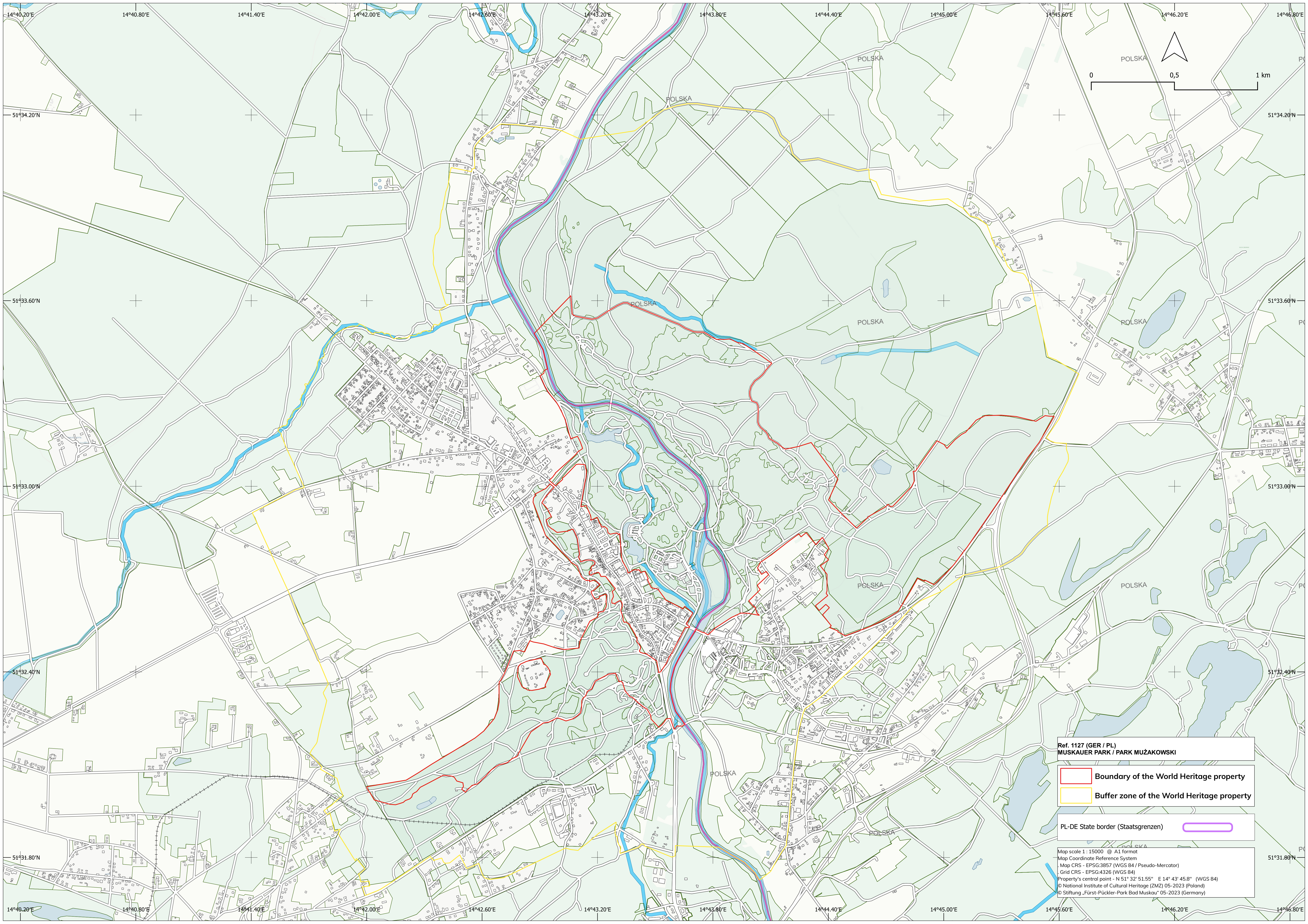




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MUSKAUER PARK / PARK MUŻAKOWSKI

- Boundary of the World Heritage property
- Buffer zone of the World Heritage property

Map scale 1 : 15000 @ A1 format
Map Coordinate Reference System
Map CRS - EPSG:3857 (WGS 84 / Pseudo-Mercator)
Grid CRS - EPSG:4326 (WGS 84)
Property's central point - N 51° 32' 51.55" E 14° 43' 45.8" (WGS 84)
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PL-DE State border (Staatsgrenzen)

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