

The Formentera Council's local heritage office has partnered with the Museo de la Cal, or "Lime Museum," of Morón de la Frontera, Sevilla, and the island's small and medium-sized business association (PIMEF), to schedule a training course October 16-19 on lime and how to use it to restore historical structures.

The CiF's heritage secretary called it "hands-on learning with a bit of theory thrown in the mix" on the uses and application of lime (*calç* in Catalan) in historical restorations. The classes are intended especially for professionals with jobs in construction, architecture and restoration.

Instructor Luís Prieto is a craftsman employed by the Museo's training programme. Participants in Prieto's course get 16 hours of instruction afternoons from 4.00pm to 8.00pm. Registration is free and can be done through the PIMEF or the CiF culture and local heritage offices.

"Incorrect production and application of lime mortar is one of the leading problems affecting Formentera's heritage sites. The cultural heritage branch of the Council has pressed for training programmes for field professionals because, ultimately, they are the ones enlisted in efforts to restore structures of noted historical importance," explained the secretary.

Training residents to use traditional architectural techniques and material is discussed in Formentera's 2017-2019 directive on cultural heritage. It has been in effect since its adoption by the Council in plenary.