

WHV - Contributing to the Sustainability of the **Fortress**

Fortress of Suomenlinna, Finland

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Built in the second half of the 18th century by Sweden on a group of islands located at the entrance of Helsinki's harbour, this fortress is an especially interesting example of European military architecture of the time.

Project objectives:

The main objective is to support the landscape's maintenance in vulnerable areas as well as to raise awareness among visitors, particularly about the sustainability issues, in August when over 200.000 visitors will hit Suomenlinna.

Project activities:

Hands on activities will consist of performing a selection of maintenance activities, which will be performed under the supervision of the staff of the Governing Body of Suomenlinna. Volunteers will be responsible to inform international visitors about the issues regarding the fortress' sustainability. They will also take part in open Camp Day, Orientation lecture and discussion about World Heritage and the values of the Fortress of Suomenlinna and the challenges it encounters regarding its sustainability. Furthermore, they will meet with local residents, artists and artisans.

Partners:

Governing Body of Suomenlinna, Allianssi Youth Exchanges, Education in Finland (Hostel Suomenlinna), Ehrensvärd-Society, Helsinki International Artist Programme/Viapori Forum/Viaporin tuoppi regatta, Voluntary residents Suomenlinna & Helsinki

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