

WHV- 'Lesser Known World Heritage Monuments near Saint-Petersburg'

Historic Centre of Saint Petersburg and Related Groups of Monuments, Russian Federation

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Saint Petersburg is the cultural capital of Russia, the city of white nights and drawbridges. The 'Venice of the North' is the result of a vast urban project begun in 1703 under Peter the Great. Saint Petersburg's architectural heritage reconciles the very different Baroque and pure neoclassical styles. From the disparity of styles, an impression of timeless grandeur comes to life in this distended historic centre where the greatness of the monuments is on a scale with a landscape free of any background, open to the sea, perpetually swept by sea breezes and criss-crossed by canals running beneath, it is said more than 400 bridges.

Project objectives

The project aims to promote the historical significance of the less known components of the World Heritage site. Its main objective is to raise awareness among volunteers about the site's conservation, as well as contributing to its sustainable management.

Project activities

During the awareness raising activities, the volunteers will gain knowledge about the various components of the World Heritage site and the challenges they face. They will work on these different components, including parks and ensembles, for their maintenance by gardening, cleaning the roads and terraces, sweeping the grounds and improving the paths for visitors around the monuments. The volunteers will also create a proposal for a touristic map route through the World Heritage property, which will be available in their mother tongues. It is a unique action camp for volunteers, who want to get in touch with the spirit of Russian history.

Partners

Committee for the state preservation of cultural and historical monuments of St-Petersburg Government; The Federal State Budgetary Establishment of Cultural "Management and Usage Agency of Historical and Cultural Monuments" at the Ministry of Culture of Russian Federation; National Research Museum of the Academy of Fine Arts in St-Petersburg; Administration of Vasileostrovskiy District of St-Petersburg.