World Heritage Volunteers - "Patrimonito Voluntary Action 2011"

WHV – Wachau, AUSTRIA
10 – 23 July and 21 August – 3 September 2011

Wachau Cultural Landscape, Austria
Cultural site inscribed in 2000

Wachau is a stretch of the Danube Valley between Melk and Krems, a landscape of high visual quality. It preserves in an intact and visible form many traces - in terms of architecture, (monasteries, castles, ruins), urban design, (towns and villages), and agricultural use, principally for the cultivation of vines - of its evolution since prehistoric times.

Project objectives: The project aims at maintaining of natural hot spots and traditional stone terraces and preserving of Wachau biodiversity as WH cultural landscape.

Project activities: The international and local volunteers under the supervision of local experts will be in charge of the public relations and organise press conferences so as to involve local farmers, landowners and hunting club members and raise their awareness about the significance of natural habitats.

Partners: The WHV-Wachau project will mainly benefit from the support of Jauerling Wachau Nature Park, Lanius (Research Group for Regional Fauna Studies and Applied Protection of Nature), the Austrian Youth Alpine Association and Service Civil International – Austria in terms of recruiting volunteers, material and promotion.

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For the description of the activities: www.whvolunteers.org and www.ccivs.org