

## WHV – China meets Hallstatt

*Hallstatt – Dachstein / Salzkammergut Cultural Landscape, Austria*

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 Human activity in the magnificent natural landscape of the Salzkammergut began in prehistoric times, with the salt deposits being exploited as early as the 2<sup>nd</sup> millennium BC. This resource formed the basis of the area's prosperity up to the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, a prosperity that is reflected in the fine architecture of the town of Hallstatt.



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**Project objectives:** The project aims at sensitizing the volunteers and local community of Hallstatt about the challenges that touristic alpine towns like Hallstatt can face. It also aims at raising awareness of protection and sustainable development of the site.

**Project activities:** The volunteers will participate in the restoration of the site areas such as Hallstatt glacier and hiking paths. They will also participate in the restoration of a traditional Austrian wooden boat and the fences building to support torrent and avalanche control. The volunteers will prepare a presentation for local community and discuss with them on the protection and development of the site.

**Partners:** Austrian Youth Alpine Association, CSETC, Service Civil International Austria, Austrian Federal Forests, Austrian Service for Torrent- and Avalanche Control, Austrian Alpine Association Hallstatt, Catholic Church Club of Hallstatt, and Provincial Government of Upper Austria.