

## WHV - Jeju

## Jeju Volcanic Island and Lava Tubes, Republic of Korea

 Natural property inscribed on the World Heritage List since 2007 14/07/2016 - 27/07/2016

Jeju Volcanic Island and Lava Tubes is a coherent serial property comprising three components. The unequalled quality of the Geomunoreum lava tube system and the exhibition of diverse and accessible volcanic features in the other two components demonstrate a distinctive and important contribution to the understanding of global volcanism. It includes Geomunoreum,



regarded as the finest lava tube system of caves anywhere, with its multicoloured carbonate roofs and floors, and dark-coloured lava walls; the fortress-like Seongsan llchulbong tuff cone, rising out of the ocean, a dramatic landscape; and Mount Halla, the highest in Korea, with its waterfalls, multi-shaped rock formations, and lake-filled crater. The site, of outstanding aesthetic beauty, also bears testimony to the history of the planet, its features and processes.

Project objectives: The project is implemented in the framework of the mid and long term strategy of the Korean National Commission for UNESCO (KNCU) in enhancing Education for Sustainable Development (ESD). In an attempt to achieve the above-mentioned objective, KNCU has developed and executed camps within the World Heritage Volunteers initiative since 2012, encouraging youth participation in activities that contribute meaningfully to creating a sustainable society. Jeju's rich cultural and natural heritage was chosen to provide volunteers with an opportunity to enhance their knowledge and understanding of how environmental and cultural issues are bound up with the well-being of local and global communities.

**Project activities:** The volunteers will plan and implement the activities of a multicultural environmental camp targeted at local youths and volunteers, highlighting the need to assess and manage the risks that the rapid influx of tourists and residents at the site can bring. They will also engage in online, multimedia

promotional activities for the site, and will create maps and brochures of the island and its heritage seen from a foreigner's viewpoint and perception, stimulating new and different perspectives for tourists and local residents. Experts lectures and field visits to Jeju's inscribed Natural Heritage property, the Biosphere Reserve and the Global Geopark will enrich the volunteers' theoretical and practical experience, and their ability to understand and communicate with the local community and youth about the importance of heritage protection and its interdependence with sustainable development.

Partners: Jeju Provincial Government and Eomeong Abang Feast Village.