WHV - The Second Life of historical Monuments near St. Petersburg

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

Cultural property inscribed on the List of World Heritage since 1990

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The ‘Venice of the North’, with its numerous canals and more than 400 bridges, is the result of a vast urban project begun in 1703 under Peter the Great. Later known as Leningrad (in the former USSR), the city is closely associated with the October Revolution. Its architectural heritage reconciles the very different Baroque and pure neoclassical styles, as can be seen in the Admiralty, the Winter Palace, the Marble Palace and the Hermitage.

Project objectives:

The project aims at promoting the historical significance of the less known elements 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:

The Historic Centre of Saint Petersburg and Related Groups Monuments consists not only of the well-known historical centre of St. Petersburg and the palaces and park ensembles of the Peterhof and Tsarskoe Selo, but also of lesser-known historical Imperial country estates, fortresses and other monuments. Lots of these historical buildings have been damaged (parks, landscapes and interiors). International volunteers will work at the Palace and Park Ensemble Gostilitsy and at Kronstadt Fortress. They will be engaged in the park maintenance by taking care of planting trees, mowing the meadows, curing trees, cleaning the hollows, sweeping the floor and improving the paths around the monuments. During the camp, volunteers will make a presentation about World Heritage properties in their home countries to share about different preservation models.
Partners:

Culture Committee of St. Petersburg, Committee for Culture of Leningrad region, Federal Cultural and Historical Monuments Management Agency, Gostilitsy Local Municipality, Saint Petersburg Noble Assembly, The Youth Centre of Vasileostrovskiy District, Russian Orthodox Church

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