

WHV – Zvartnots Cathedral

Cathedral and Churches of Etchmiatsin and the Archaeological Site of Zvartnots, Armenia

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The cathedral and churches of Echmiatsin and the archaeological remains at Zvartnots graphically illustrate the evolution and development of the Armenian central-domed cross-hall type of church, which exerted a profound influence on architectural and artistic development in the region.

Project objectives:

For its seventh implementation, the project will focus on the preservation of the historical site for future generations and keeping the site in worthy conditions so the visitors can tangle the grace and beauty of this monument and feel its spiritual value. The project will give the opportunity to promote and raise awareness of the World Heritage site's role, importance and presence in local, national and international cultures.

Project activities:

The volunteers will participate and organize discussions and presentations about the World Heritage site of Zvartnots and their own countries' World Heritage sites. Excursions, guided tours and intercultural evenings will also help raising awareness about Armenia and its World Heritage sites among volunteers. In addition, the volunteers will support the maintenance of the ruins of the cathedral and the clearance of the main alleys leading from the entrance to the site (removing weeds). They will also provide support to the museum staff in editing, revising and translating materials about the site, which will be used on platters, posters and brochures to the raise attention of the public.

Partners:

Ministry of Culture of Armenia; Member organizations of the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organisations; Directorate of ZVARTNOTS museum; Service for the Protection of Historical Environment and Cultural Museum Reservations at Ministry of Culture of Armenia