WHV – Parks and Gardens of Classical Weimar

Classical Weimar, Germany

Cultural property inscribed on the List of World Heritage since 1998

In the late 18th and early 19th centuries, the small Thuringian town of Weimar witnessed a remarkable cultural flowering, attracting many writers and scholars, notably Goethe and Schiller. This development is reflected in the high quality of many of the buildings and of the parks in the surrounding area.

Project objectives:

The World Heritage site “Classical Weimar” comprises eleven separate buildings or ensembles among which, four will host the project’s activities – the Park on the Ilm, the Belvedere Park, the Tiefurt Park and the Ettersburg Park. The project aims to combine preservation and protection of the World Heritage site through an educational part related to sustainable management of natural and cultural heritage, and a promotional part about World Heritage.

Project activities:

Continuing the World Heritage Volunteers projects having taken place since 2012, the project will support the revitalisation of abandoned parts of the Belvedere Park. The volunteers will, based on historical plans and using the original remains, finish the restoration of the historical path system that disappeared some decades ago. In addition, a new working task will be started: the restoration of the former kitchen garden. The historic walls will be cleaned from plants and documented to prepare their restoration. In addition, the volunteers will carry out different gardening, preservation and protection works in the other parks belonging to the World Heritage site in mixed groups of international volunteers and local workers, enabling the participants to get to know the diversity of the site Classical Weimar.

Partners:

Weimar Classic Foundation; Weimar-Jena-Academy; Thuringian Green League

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