



## WHV – Volunteers for Stari Grad Plain

# Stari Grad Plain, Croatia

Cultural property inscribed on the World Heritage List since 2008 01/09/2022 - 10/09/2022

Stari Grad Plain on the Adriatic island of Hvar is a cultural landscape that has remained practically intact since Ionian Greeks from Paros first colonized it in the 4th century BC. The original agricultural activity of this fertile plain, mainly centring on grapes and olives, has been maintained since Greek times to the present. The site is also a natural reserve. The landscape features ancient stone walls and trims, or small stone shelters, and bears testimony to the ancient geometrical system of land division used by the ancient Greeks, the chora which has remained virtually intact over 24 centuries.

### Project objectives:

The project aims to raise awareness on the importance of preserving World Heritage; to motivate young people actively involved in the restoration and revitalisation of the site; and to strengthen the relationship and collaboration between different stakeholders towards heritage preservation and promotion.

### **Project activities:**

Under the supervision of site management authorities and experts, the volunteers will support the reconstruction of the dry-stone walls together with the local communities, using traditional building techniques. During the reconstruction process, the historic and cultural value of the site will be shared and widely disseminated among the local community and the volunteers, and they will also engage in awareness raising workshops and discussions.

#### Partners:

"Dragodid" organisation, Directorate for the protection of cultural heritage, Croatian Commission for UNESCO

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