

WHV – Preservation and Valorisation of Industrial and Mining Heritage

Erzgebirge/Krušnohoří Mining Region, Germany

Cultural property inscribed on the World
Heritage List since 2019

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Erzgebirge/Krušnohoří (Ore Mountains) spans a region in south-eastern Germany (Saxony) and north-western Czechia, which contains a wealth of several metals exploited through mining from the Middle Ages onwards. The cultural landscape of the Ore Mountains has been deeply shaped by 800 years of almost continuous mining, from the 12th to the 20th century.

Project objectives:

Building on the experience of the previous campaigns, the project aims to implement practical interventions to support the conservation of the site, and awareness-raising actions to provide heritage education opportunity to the volunteers, as well as to promote of the idea of volunteering for heritage to the general public.

Project activities:

The project includes a rich educational programme on World Heritage in general and the site in particular, through the formats of lectures, public exhibitions, a guided tour and excursion. Besides being the key participants, the volunteers will provide presentations and facilitation support in some of these events. Hands-on activities will consist of two components in locations that showcase different stages in the mining history of the Ore Mountain. The first activity will include the conservation and clean-up tasks at the Röhrgraben canal water system. Then the volunteers will go to the tunnels of the visitor's mine and support the conservation work on historical locomotives that were used for mobility and ore transport on the rails of the mine.

Partners:

Saxon Ministry for Regional Development / Saxon State Office for the Conservation of Monuments, Verein Welterbe Montanregion Erzgebirge e.V, Besucherbergwerk Zinngrube Ehrenfriedersdorf

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