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Villages with Fortified Churches in Transylvania, Romania

Cultural property inscribed on the World Heritage List since 1993

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These Transylvanian villages with their fortified churches provide a vivid picture of the cultural landscape of southern Transylvania. The seven villages inscribed, founded by the Transylvanian Saxons, are characterized by a specific land-use system, settlement pattern and organization of the family farmstead that have been preserved since the late Middle Ages.

Project objectives:

The project’s main objectives are to connect and engage with the volunteers and the community towards the World Heritage site and raise their awareness on its importance and values, to create cooperation synergies among international volunteers and the local community, and to maintain and improve the visitor’s stone pathways to the site.

Project activities:

Under the guidance of the site manager, the volunteers will support concrete conservation and renovation work at the site, including the improvement of the stone pathways, building of fences along parts of the pathways with unprocessed wood, creation of itineraries for the visitors, and the installing of direction signs. They will also engage in awareness raising activities through discussions with the local community and the village council about the state of conservation of the site.

Partners:

Heritage for the Future Cultural Association, Village council and local community

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