

## WHV – Do You Know The City You Live In?

### Historical Areas of Istanbul, Türkiye

Cultural property inscribed on the World Heritage List (1985)

### PROJECT DATES

To be confirmed

**THE SITE** - Strategically located on the Bosphorus peninsula between the Balkans and Anatolia, the Black Sea and the Mediterranean, Istanbul was successively the capital of the Eastern Roman Empire, and the Ottoman Empire and has been associated with major events in political history, religious history and art history for more than 2,000 years. The Outstanding Universal Value of Istanbul resides in its unique integration of architectural masterpieces that reflect the meeting of Europe and Asia over many centuries, and in its incomparable skyline formed by the creative genius of Byzantine and Ottoman architects.

**OBJECTIVES** - Implemented for the first time in the framework of the World Heritage Volunteers campaign, and with the support of the EU Erasmus+ program, the project aims at engaging young people to become heritage experts by (re)-discovering the city they live in.

**ACTIVITIES** - Following a set of site visits conducted with the support of heritage experts, volunteers will be asked to produce three forms of artworks related to the city: photographs, videos, essays or poems. In the second part of the project, public awareness-raising activities will be carried out utilising the materials produced by the participants; public interviews will also be conducted during the site visits as well as surveys on the city cultural heritage, and the data obtained will constitute the content for a documentary developed with the Turkish Radio and Television Corporation.

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