

"World Heritage Volunteers - "Patrimonto Voluntary Action 2011"



WHV – Zvartnots, ARMENIA
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Cathedral and Churches of Echmiatsin and the Archaeological Site of Zvartnots, Armenia Cultural site inscribed in 2000

The monuments of Echmiatsin and the archaeological remains at Zvartnots graphically illustrate the evolution and development of the Armenian central-domed cross-hall type of church. Damaged by an earthquake in the 10th century and unearthed in the early 20th century, the construction of the cathedral has been deduced from written history and from the ruins of the structure itself.



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Project objectives: The WHV-Zvartnots project aims to contribute preservation of the site and its surrounds. Taking place at 2 different places, the WHV-Geghard and the WHV-Zvartnots projects share similar objectives and activities

Project activities: The preservation of the Zvartnots site is expected to be achieved through cleaning (garbage picking), weeding and maintenance (signs) activities. The presence of volunteers will compensate the lack of local staff while the implementation of the project will balance the respect of traditions and the preservation of heritage.

Partners: The promotion of the project and the supervision of the activities will be coordinated with the Ministry of Culture, the Armenian Apostolic Church and the local clergy men.

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