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**ELECTIONS TO THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE**

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CANDIDATE	<b>DR. ZSOLT VISY</b>
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**Education**

Year	Field of Study
2002	DSC degree at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest
1998	Dr. habil. at the Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest
1994	PhD degree in Roman Archeology (candidate of Historical Sciences) Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest
1977	Promotion at the Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest: Roman archaeology and history
1967	MA degree at the Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest: archaeology, classical philology

**Professional career and experiences at the regional and international level**

Year	Field of work
2016 –	Chair of ICPRCP of UNESCO
2015 –	Ministerial commissioner at the Prime Minister's Office for the WHS Frontiers of the Roman Empire in Hungary
2014 –	Professor emeritus of the Department of Archaeology at the University of Pécs
2004 – 2014	Founder and director of Pécs Archive of Aerial Archaeology
2001 –	Head of the PhD program for ancient history and archaeology of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School at the University of Pécs
1998 – 2000	Deputy state secretary for Culture at the Ministry of National Cultural Heritage

1998 – 2001	President of the Hungarian World Heritage Committee of UNESCO
1994 – 1998	Deputy dean, dean of the Faculty of Humanities at the Pécs University
1993 – 1998	Professor of the Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Piliscsaba
1984 – 2014	associate professor, professor of ancient history and archaeology at the Pécs University
1967 – 1981	Archaeologist (Director) of the Intercisa Museum, Dunaújváros, and Koszta J. Múzeum, Szentes in Hungary

### Languages

- Hungarian native speaker
- German full proficiency
- English full proficiency
- Latin perfect reading
- Russian reading
- French reading

### Membership in professional and international organizations

Year	Name of the organization
2012 –	President of the Cultural Committee of UNESCO Hungary
2012 –	vice president of ICOMOS Hungary
2011 –	Verein zur Förderung der Christlichen Archäologie Österreichs
2010 –	Member of Aerial Archaeological Research Group
2009 – 2012	Vice president of ICAHM in Europe
2008 –	Founder president of the Hungarian Limes Society
2006 –	Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London
2005 –	Member the Society of Hungarian Archaeologists
2004 –	Member of the Batthyány Society of Professors, from 2011 president of the Pécs Group
2003 –	Member of St. Stephan Academy
2002 –	Member the European Association of Archaeologists
2002 –	Corresponding member of the German Archaeological Institute
2000 –	President of the Committee of Archaeological Heritage Management of the Hungarian ICOMOS Committee
1998 –	Member of ICOMOS

## Publications in the field of cultural heritage

- The role and significance of the archaeology in the integrated Europe of the 21st century. W. Willems (ed.): Challenges for European Archaeology. Zootermeeer 2000, 27-31.
- Ungarisches Know-How für römische Ruinen in Bayern. In: G. Weber (Hrsg.): Archäologie und Marketing. Beiträge zum 3. Cambodunum-Symposion 9. Und 10. Oktober 1998. Kempten 2001, 106-109.
- Genius loci – The spirit of archaeological sites. In: "ICOMOS Scientific Symposium: Place-memory-meaning: preserving intangible values in monuments and sites, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, 2003". CD and: <http://www.international.icomos.org/victoriafalls2003/papers/C1-7 - Zsolt.pdf>
- World Heritage. Some considerations about Hungary and the Carpathian region. In: Orbis antiquus. Studia in honorem Ioannis Pisonis. Cluj-Napoca 2004, 920-923.
- The protection of archaeological heritage sites in Hungary. Conservation and restoration of archaeological monumnets. In: The Venice Charter 1964-2004-2044. Műemlékvédelem XLVIII 2004, 48-49; 178-179.
- Similarities and differencies in the conservation and settings of the Great Wall in China and the Limes Romanus as listed and planned world heritage sites. Proceedings of ICOMOS 15th General Assembly and Scientific Symposium. Xi'an 2005, 198-211. <http://www.international.icomos.org/xian2005/papers/1-32.pdf>
- Archaeological heritage protection in the passing time. In : Bassa, L. (ed.) : Studies on heritage management 1. World Heritage and its Management. Foundation for Information Society, Budapest 2010, 5-18.
- Der pannonische Limes und das europäische Donaulimes-Programm. Denkmalpflege in Niederösterreich 45, 2011, 58-62.
- World heritage policy in Hungary. Goals and strategies. SpecNova XXI-XXII 2013, 263-267.
- The cultural heritage of Roşia Montana / Verespatak. In: Örökségvédelmi tanulmányok. SpecNova XXI-XXII 2013, 271-274.



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CANDIDATE	<b>LEVENTE GABOR SZILAGYI</b>
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**Education**

Year	Field of Study
1988	Biologist, University of Debrecen, Hungary

**Professional career and experiences at the regional and international level**

Year	Field of work
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**01.06.2016.– Present - Head of World Heritage Site Management Body**

**Hortobágy National Park Directorate**

2 Sumen, H-4024 Debrecen (Hungary)

[www.hnp.hu](http://www.hnp.hu)

- Management of the Hortobágy National Park – the Puszta Cultural Landscape World Heritage (WH) site, including the preparation and implementation of the WH Management Plan.
- Regional co-ordinator of Natura 2000 network designation and management, public administration
- of Natura 2000 sites.

**16.11.2015.–30.06.2016. - Project Team Leader**

**BalCon Consulting**

56-58 Fő, H-1011 Budapest (Hungary)

www.balcon.co

As the Team Leader of the "*Capacity Building to implement 'acquis' standards and conventions in nature protection – establishment of Natura 2000*" EuropeAid project in Serbia was responsible for the followings:

- Development of strategies and procedures for efficient implementation of the project, overall coordination
- and supervision of the expert team ensuring timely, relevant, high quality and coordinated input to the process.
- Development and maintenance of project work plan with project priorities. Facilitate and support the
- initiation and implementation of all project activities with particular emphasis on ensuring coordination
- between the different activities and actors involved.
- Development and management of project scope and schedules in accordance with approved
- plans.
- Allocation and management of project human resources.
- Preparation of reports specified in the project Terms of Reference.
- Monitoring of progress and provide support for project implementation.

**09.01.2015.–11.15.2015. - World Heritage and Natura 2000 expert**

**Hortobágy National Park Directorate, Debrecen (Hungary)**

- Management of the Hortobágy National Park – the Puszta Cultural Landscape World Heritage
- (WH) site, including the preparation and implementation of the WH Management Plan.
- Regional co-ordinator of Natura 2000 network management, public administration of Natura 2000 sites.

**10.09.2010.-31.08.2015. Director**

**Hortobágy National Park Directorate, Debrecen (Hungary)**

- Co-ordinator and manager of all the nature conservation tasks including the management of 160 000 ha of nationally protected areas, as well as 365 000 ha of altogether 126 Natura 2000 sites in the Northern Lowland region) of the Directorate (staff: 250, annual budget: € 7 000 000).  
Overall management and supervision of Structural Fund and LIFE+ projects implemented by the Directorate. Along with Mr Peter Ogden (UK) provided a training course for World Heritage site managers in China in 2012.

**01.12.2007.- 09.09.2012. Head of Project Management Department  
Hortobágy National Park Directorate, Debrecen (Hungary)**

- Development and drafting habitat restoration and species protection ERDF projects
- Management of habitat restoration and species protection ERDF project
- Based on the request from the UNESCO Beijing Office, during a two-week expert mission
- Evaluated the environmental aspects of the management of the Orkhon Valley Cultural Landscape World Heritage Site in Mongolia
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**08.01.2006.–30.11.2007. Natura 2000 expert  
Hortobágy National Park Directorate, Debrecen (Hungary)**

- Regional co-ordinator of Natura 2000 network designation and management, public administration of Natura 2000 sites.

**01.02.2005.-31.06.2006. - Project Team Leader  
Scanagri Denmark a/s**

2 Sortemosevej, DK-3450 Allerød (Dánia)  
www.scanagri.dk

As the Team Leader of the EuropeAid 2003 project "*Protection of endangered species of flora and fauna and their habitats through implementation of CITES and the Bern and Bonn Conventions and the related EU legislation*" was responsible for:

- Allocation and management of project resources,
- Preparation of reports specified in the project Terms of Reference,
- Monitoring of progress and provide support for project implementation.

The main beneficiary of the project was the Ministry of Environment, but strong co-operation was established with other stakeholders, like the protected area administrations, the regional nature conservation authorities, and environmental NGOs, e.g. with the Baltic Environmental Forum, activities of which cover Latvia and Estonia as well. Outcomes of the project included more than species protection action plan for species annexed to one of the nature directives, as well as management plans for six Natura 2000 sites in Lithuania.

**28.06.2001.- 31.01.2005. - Director  
Kiskunság National Park Directorate**

19 Liszt Ferenc, H-6000 Kecskemét (Hungary)  
www.knp.hu

- Overall co-ordinator of all the nature conservation tasks (public administration, management of 100000 ha protected area in the SE-Hungarian region, research and monitoring, etc.) of the Directorate (staff: 86, budget: 3 200 000 euros/year). Responsible for the enforcement of nature conservation legislation (EU Directives, Bern, Bonn, Ramsar Conventions, CITES) on 11 % of Hungary.

**15.04.1999. – 27.06.2001. - Deputy director**

**Hortobágy National Park Directorate, Debrecen (Hungary)**

- Overall co-ordinator of all the nature conservation tasks (public administration (including CITES), management of state owned protected areas of the NE-Hungarian region, research and monitoring, etc.) of the Directorate.

**20.10.1994. – 14.04.1999. Head of Biodiversity Division**

**Hortobágy National Park Directorate, Debrecen (Hungary)**

- Editor and author of the nomination dossier of the Hortobágy National Park to the World Heritage List
- Biodiversity research and monitoring
- Information management, database development,
- International relations, including co-ordination of projects financed by the EU PHARE programme, as well as by Dutch and Danish governmental funds, PR and nature education

**01.01.1992.–19.10.1994. - Desk officer**

**Hortobágy National Park Directorate, Debrecen (Hungary)**

- Public administration in the field of nature conservation, Biodiversity research and monitoring,
- Information management, database development  
Co-ordination of projects financed by the EU PHARE programme

**01.06.1988.–31.12.1991. - Junior researcher**

**Debrecen University, Debrecen (Hungary)**

- Participation in nature conservation oriented ecological research projects in the protected areas of
- NE Hungary. Target taxonomic groups: dragonflies (Odonata), carabid beetles (Coleoptera:Carabidae). Teaching zootaxonomy and organization field trips for students.

<b>Languages</b>
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- Hungarian native speaker
- English full proficiency
- Russian limited working proficiency

## Membership in professional and international organizations

Year	Name of the organization
2003 - Present	Member of the Board of the European Centre for Nature Conservation
2014-2009	Member to the Natura 2000 Expert Group of the European Commission
2014-2008	Elected member to the Council of the EUROPARC Federation

## Publications in the field of cultural heritage

- Fintha, I. – Sümegi, P. – Szilágyi, G. (1993): A New Biotope of *Chilostoma banaticum* (Rossmässler, 1838) in Hungary and its Nature Conservation Aspects. *Malacological Newsletters* 12:29-93.
- Karsai, I. – Barta, Z. – Szilágyi, G. (1994): Modelling of habitat rearrangement of Carabid beetles. In: K. Desender et al. (eds.), *Carabid Beetles: Ecology and Evolution*, 153-156. Kluwer Academic Publishers.
- Horváth, F. – Rapcsák, T. – Szilágyi, G. (eds) (1997): *National Biodiversity Monitoring System I. IT Basis*. Hungarian National History Museum, Budapest.
- Magura, T. – Ködöböcz, V. – Tóthmérész, B. – Molnár, T. – Elek, Z. – Szilágyi, G. – Hegyessy, G. (1997): Carabid fauna of the Bereg plain and its biogeographical relations (Coleoptera: Carabidae). *Folia Entomologica Hungarica*, LVIII:73-82.
- Kovács, T., Ambrus, A., Olajos, P. & Szilágyi, G. (2009): Records of Ephemeroptera and Odonata from the Biebrza National Park, Poland. *Folia Historico-Naturalia Musei Matrensis* 33:87-96.
- Sümegi, P. – Szilágyi, G. (2010): New landscape evolution model for Hortobágy and the authenticity of alkalization. *Acta Biol. Debr. Oecol. Hung.* 22: 27-35+194
- Sümegi, P., Szilágyi, G. (2011): A quarter-malacological inventory of Hungarian kurgans. In: Á. Pető and A. Barczy (Eds.). *Kurgan Studies: An environmental and archaeological multiproxy study of burial mounds in the Eurasian steppe zone*. BAR International Series 2238, Paper 18, pp. 279-291.
- Szilágyi, G. (2012): How human use can add value to the natural heritage of a cultural landscape. *Chinese Landscape Architecture*. 2012. Vol. 28. 200. 08. pp: 72-74. (in Chinese).
- Szilágyi, G., Sümegi, P., Molnár, D., Sávai, Sz. (2013): Mollusc-based paleoecological investigations of the Late Copper – Early Bronze Age earth mounds (kurgans) on the Great Hungarian Plain. *Open Geosciences* 5(4):465-479.
- 12. Bede, Á., Salisbury R. B., Csathó, A. I., Czukor, P., Páll, D. G., Szilágyi, G., Sümegi, P. (2015): Report of the complex geoarcheological survey at the Ecse-halom kurgan in Hortobágy, Hungary. *Central European Geology* 58(3): 268-289.



<b>Additional informations</b>
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### **Communication skills**

Every position and job in my career required a kind of communication ability with different target groups from university students to decision makers both in the national and international working environment. In the process of the development of my communication skills the most useful ones were the ones when I had to work abroad (Vilnius and Belgrade) as a Team Leader, and had to co-ordinate the project implementation process with different local and international experts and other stakeholders. As a result of different partnership programmes during the last 15 years I have visited several protected areas and Natura 2000 sites in Poland.

### **Organizational and management skills**

- Excellent command in report writing and quality control gained as a Team Leader of nature conservation EuropeAid projects in Lithuania and Serbia.
- Good command in backstopping gained as a supervisor of Structural Fund and LIFE+ projects in Hungary.

### **Local project co-ordinator of the following bilateral projects in the Hortobágy National Park Directorate:**

- Equipment supply PHARE project
- Rehabilitation of wetlands and grasslands of the Hortobágy National Park Directorate (feasibility study, PHARE project, main contractor: DHV Consultants, The Netherlands)
- Ecotourism and zoning in three national parks of Hungary (feasibility study, PHARE project main contractor : DHV Consultants, The Netherlands)
- Purchase of threatened areas in Eastern Hungary (financed by EECONET Action Fund)
- Wetland rehabilitation within the Hortobágy National Park (financed by the Danish Environmental Fund, main contractor: DANAGRO Adviser a/s, Denmark)
- Ecotourism development within the Hortobágy National Park (financed by the Danish Environmental Fund, main contractor DANAGRO Adviser a/s, Denmark)
- Management plan for the southern grasslands of the Hortobágy National Park (financed by the Danish Environmental Fund, main contractor: DANAGRO Adviser a/s, Denmark)
- National project co-ordination for the preparation of the nomination of the Hortobágy National Park to the UNESCO World Heritage List.

### **General manager or supervisor of the following projects:**

- Mitigation of negative effects of linear infrastructure on biodiversity in the Hortobágy National Park (KEOP-3.1.2/2F/09-2010-0013)

- Protection and rehabilitation of wetlands and woodland pastures in the operational area of the Hortobágy National Park Directorate (KEOP-3.1.2/2F/09-2009-0018)  
Elimination of unused canal-systems on the operational area of the Hortobágy National Park Directorate (KEOP-3.1.2/2F/09-2011-0003)
- Landscape scale restoration of the former soviet bombing range in the Hortobágy National Park, I. and II. phase (KEOP-3.1.2/2F/09-11-2012-0001 and KEOP-3.1.2/2F/09-11-2012-0002)
- Rehabilitation of small wetlands in the operational area of the Hortobágy National Park Directorate(KEOP-3.1.2/2F/09-11-2012-0009) Nature conservation management and creation of natural and semi-natural forests and wooded pastures in the operational area of the Hortobágy National Park Directorate (KEOP-3.1.2/2F/09-11- 2012-0005)
- Development of infrastructure for keeping Przewalski horses and aurochs in the Pentezug Puszta within the Hortobágy National Park (KEOP-3.2.0/11-2012-0024)
- Restoration of sodic lake sub-type of the Pannonic salt steppe and marsh habitat in the Hortobágy(LIFE07 NAT/HU/000324)
- Conservation of imperial eagles by managing human-eagle conflicts in Hungary (LIFE10 NAT/HU/000019)
- Large scaling grazing management of steppe lakes in the Hortobágy (LIFE11 NAT/HU/00924)
- Safeguarding the Lesser White-fronted Goose Fennoscandian population in key wintering and staging sites within the European flyway (LIFE10 NAT/GR/000638)
- Presentation and Preservation of the Natural Values of Ier/Ér Valley and its Surroundings (HURO1101/093/1.3.1)