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Ministry of Human Resources Development  
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Polish National Commission for UNESCO has invited nominations for World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2017 under the theme 'Memory : Lost and Recovered Heritage' to be held at Warsaw and Krakow (Poland) from 25<sup>th</sup> June to 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2017. Relevant details are on the next page.

Nominations should be forwarded to the Indian National Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO (INCCU) latest by 24<sup>th</sup> **March, 2017** (and should not be sent directly to Polish National Commission for UNESCO) at the following address for further consideration and onward transmission to Polish National Commission for UNESCO, Warsaw, Poland

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Young Professionals  
World Heritage Forum

**25 June – 4 July 2017**

## **WORLD HERITAGE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS FORUM 2017** **Memory: Lost and Recovered Heritage**

**Warsaw–Krakow, POLAND**

**CALL FOR PARTICIPATION**



The Polish National Commission for UNESCO and the International Cultural Centre in Krakow are proud to hold the World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2017 under the theme *Memory: Lost and Recovered Heritage*, as part of the 41st session of the World Heritage Committee and within the framework of the UNESCO World Heritage Education Programme. The Forum has been given the financial support of the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage of the Republic of Poland.

**DATES:** 25 June – 4 July 2017  
prior to the 41st session of the World Heritage Committee

**VENUE:** Warsaw, Krakow (Poland)

**WORKING LANGUAGE:** English

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### **WHAT AND WHY?**

Memory and cultural heritage values are always crucial, especially in times of destruction of heritage as a result of armed conflicts and natural disasters caused by climate change. The rehabilitation of heritage is a multi-faceted process, with local communities in the centre of all activities, that needs to address the collective healing and reconciliation, with a focus on memory and identity.

The main goal of the Forum is to compare and contrast two historic centres of the two largest Polish cities – Warsaw and Krakow, and discuss them as examples of destruction and continuance. Young professionals from all over the world, between 22 and 32 years of age, who are interested in cultural heritage will have an opportunity to exchange ideas, broaden their outlook and contribute to the discussions in topics such as:

- memory and identity,
- conservation and restoration of sites,
- limits of reconstruction,
- heritage management.

The aim of the Forum is to increase the young people's knowledge and understanding of the importance of the following:

- the implementation of the World Heritage Convention,
- the working methods of the World Heritage Committee,
- the challenges and opportunities of the protection, conservation and restoration of selected World Heritage sites carrying associative values.

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## PROGRAMME DETAILS

- visits to selected World Heritage Sites,
- meetings with international heritage experts,
- workshops and discussions on different aspects of the World Heritage sites,
- participants' presentations,
- practicing the Youth Model simulation of the World Heritage Committee,
- drawing up the Declaration of the Forum for presentation during the Opening Ceremony of the 41st session of the World Heritage Committee,
- attending the first session of the 41st session of the World Heritage Committee,
- hands-on experience.

To learn more about the programme please kindly visit the website at [www.mck.krakow.pl](http://www.mck.krakow.pl)

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## FOR WHOM?

The Polish National Commission for UNESCO and the International Cultural Centre in Krakow are pleased to invite young people interested in issues related to World Heritage who are:

- not younger than 22 and not older than 32 years of age,
- fluent in English (please note that no interpretation will be provided; English will be the only language used throughout the Forum),
- citizens of one of the 21 Member States of the current World Heritage Committee (Angola, Azerbaijan, Burkina Faso, Croatia, Cuba, Finland, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Republic of Tanzania, Vietnam, Zimbabwe), as well as of Belarus, the Czech Republic, Egypt, Germany, Hungary, India, Iran, Iraq, Lithuania, Mali, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Syria, and Ukraine,
- graduates from / involved in heritage-related fields such as: architecture, urban planning, constructional engineering, archaeology, sociology, cultural heritage, anthropology, ethnology, ethnography, economy, history, art history, communication, law, tourism, natural and cultural heritage, geography, international relations; researchers, activists, young professionals in NGOs, associations, cultural and natural heritage organisations, museums, heritage sites,
- experience in the field of heritage, in particular in the area of heritage conservation and restoration, would be an asset,
- motivated, committed to bring in their own expertise, active individuals interested in implementing the outcomes of the Forum in their respective countries.

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## APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Young participants who fit the above profile and who are motivated to actively participate in the World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2017 are invited to fill in the application form in English.

The application package consists of:

- an application form (attached),
- a short biographical note including a photo (CV).

**The deadline for submitting application is April 3, 2017.**

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## SELECTION CRITERIA

Only up to one candidate from each of the aforementioned countries can be accepted. The candidates are expected to be familiar with the concept of World Heritage. The selection will be based on the applicants' compliance with the required profile and will take into consideration such criteria as diversity and mutual complementarity of experiences, gender balance, as well as certified English language proficiency.

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## CONDITIONS

The attendance and active participation for the full duration of the event (arrival on 25 June, departure on 4 July 2017) is mandatory. Participants should be committed to invest their time to prepare and offer a follow up activity to the Forum. Each participant is required to make a 10-minute-long presentation of a case of tangible heritage reconstruction or rehabilitation in their respective country (in line with the theme of the Forum).

The organisers will be responsible for flight arrangements and will cover the participants' transportation (economy class) as well as accommodation\* costs (non-smoking rooms) during their stay in Poland (including visa fees, where applicable).

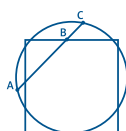
In case the participants should like to extend their stay in Poland and attend the World Heritage Committee Session beyond 4 July 2017, all the related costs should be covered by the concerned member states. In order to make all of the necessary preparations, participants are kindly requested to inform the organisers of their plans in advance.

Successful applicants will have been informed by 25 April 2017, at the latest.

\*Including meals

The organisers guarantee full board meal plan (three European-cuisine meals per day) at the respective hotels, restaurants or sites, as specified in the programme. Special dietary requests will be taken into account. Please, kindly inform the organising team of the Young Professionals Forum if you have any dietary restrictions, allergies or special considerations before your arrival.

### ORGANISERS:



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**DRAFT PROGRAMME**



### **SUNDAY, 25 JUNE**

Arrival of the participants in Warsaw

Transfer to the hotel and check-in

Opening ceremony

Introductory speech(es)

Presentation of the World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2017 objectives

Welcome dinner



### **MONDAY, 26 JUNE**

**General theme: A case study of the Historic Centre of Warsaw (a WH site) – a comprehensive reconstruction of the totally destroyed city**

Breakfast in the hotel

Introductory Lecture *Poland and its heritage*

Visit to the Warsaw Rising Museum (**theme: war conflict, destruction, reconstruction**)

Lunch

Workshop at the Warsaw Rising Museum

Return to the hotel

Workshop: the objectives of the Declaration of the WH Young Professionals Forum 2017

Participants' Presentations I

**(theme: case of reconstruction of heritage in the participants' countries; each presentation should not exceed 10 minutes)**

Dinner

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## TUESDAY, 27 JUNE

**General theme: A case study of the Historic Centre of Warsaw (a WH site) – a comprehensive reconstruction of the totally destroyed city**

Breakfast in the hotel

Visit to the Royal Route, Old Town, New Town, i.e. reconstructed parts of the city of Warsaw

Visit to the Museum of Warsaw (**theme: memory of the war conflicts, social dimension of reconstruction, documentary heritage, creating the city narrative, buffer zone**)

Lunch

Visit to and workshop at the Monuments Interpretation Centre, Museum of Warsaw (**themes: limits of reconstruction, city palimpsests and contemporary development**)

Participants' Presentations II

Dinner

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## WEDNESDAY, 28 JUNE

**General theme: A case study of the Historic Centre of Warsaw (a WH site)**

Breakfast in the hotel

Visit to the Royal Łazienki Museum

Visit to the Polish National Commission for UNESCO headquarters in the Palace of Culture and Science

Lunch

Transfer to the Warsaw Central Railway Station and departure to Krakow

Arrival in Krakow and hotel check-in

Visit to the Historic Centre of Krakow (a WH site)

Visit to the International Cultural Centre

Dinner

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## THURSDAY, 29 JUNE

**General theme: A case study of the Historic Centre of Krakow (a WH site) – the outstanding universal value of this urban architectural complex, management challenges, multicultural heritage**

Breakfast in the hotel

Visit to the Wawel Royal Castle

Workshop at the Restoration Workshops of the Wawel Royal Castle (hands-on experience)

Lunch

Krakow study tour, including the Vistula river embankments and Kazimierz district, as well as workshops at selected sites

Dinner

Return to the hotel

Participants' Presentations III

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## FRIDAY, 30 JUNE

**General theme: Reconstruction of long-gone heritage. Challenges and threats, mass tourism in WH sites**

Breakfast in the hotel

Visit to the Tyniec Benedictine Abbey and workshop  
(**theme: reconstruction of long-gone heritage**)

Lunch

Bus transfer to the Wieliczka Salt Mine – part of the WH site, together with Bochnia; a historic monument which showcases stages of the development of mining techniques in Europe (the site is 135 meters below the ground, temperature ranges from 14° to 16° C)

Underground workshop (**theme: threats and challenges, mass tourism in WH sites**)

Dinner

Return to Krakow

Participants' Presentations IV (if needed)

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## SATURDAY, 1 JULY

Breakfast in the hotel

Venue: International Cultural Centre

Presentation of the Declaration – input working groups

Lunch

Presentation and discussion of the outcomes of working groups

Practicing the Youth Model World Heritage Committee simulation

Dinner

Return to the hotel

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## SUNDAY, 2 JULY

Breakfast in the hotel

Venue: International Cultural Centre

Adoption of the Declaration

Evaluation and follow-up of the World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2017

Lunch

Free time

Departure for the official opening ceremony of the 41st Session of the World Heritage Committee

Dinner

Return to the hotel



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## MONDAY, 3 JULY

Breakfast in the hotel

Departure for the ICE Krakow Congress Centre

Presentation of the Declaration, video documentation

Official participation of the Young Representatives in the 41st Session of the World Heritage Committee

Visit to the Ojców National Park (**theme: natural heritage, reconstruction of tangible heritage**)

Closing dinner party

Return to the hotel

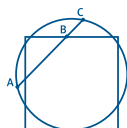
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## TUESDAY, 4 JULY

Breakfast in the hotel

Departures (from John Paul II International Airport Krakow-Balice)

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## APPLICATION FORM

### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

#### PERSONAL DETAILS

Last Name:

First Name:

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

Gender:                                      Male                                      Female                                      N/A

#### PASSPORT

Passport/ID number:

Issue date:

Expiration date:

Place of issue:

Issuing authority:

#### CONTACT DETAILS

e-mail:

Address:

City:

ZIP Code:

Country:

Telephone (including a country code):

Citizenship:

## INFORMATION ABOUT EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Degree:

Field(s) of study:

Name of the higher education institution:

Years of study (start and end date):

## INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CURRENT OCCUPATION (only if you are a graduate)

Job description/position:

Name of your current employer:

Period of employment (start and end date):

How would you rate your command of the English language?\*

Fair

Good

Excellent

Native-like proficiency

Speaking

Comprehension

Writing

\*How have you acquired your English language skills? In which contexts do you use English?  
(if you have any certificate please attach it) (max. 250 characters)

## **2. EXPERIENCE**

Previous experience with the UNESCO activities: (max. 250 characters)

## **3. MOTIVATION**

Please, kindly explain why you would like to be part of the World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2017 and how you could contribute to the Forum: (max. 1000 characters)

#### 4. PROJECT

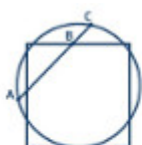
Are you currently involved in any (World) Heritage project? If so, please kindly describe the project and explain how the experience gained during the World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2017 in Poland might be useful for further implementation of your project: (max. 1000 characters)

Please, kindly attach a short biographical note (CV), including a photo.

Please, kindly note that the application form must be sent to your country's National Commission for UNESCO

**The deadline for submitting application is 3 April 2017.**

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