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# World Heritage UK

## May 2022 newsletter



### **"Liverpool - After World Heritage" webinar Thursday 23 June 2022**

#### **Vital lessons for the future from Liverpool's loss of World Heritage Site status**

In 2021 UNESCO's World Heritage Committee, acting on a report from its World Heritage Centre in Paris, decided to remove Liverpool from its list of World Heritage Sites. This was only the third time in history that a Site had been removed from the list. It is an incredibly sad loss, not just for Liverpool, but for the UK as whole as part of our national heritage, and was the subject of much immediate national and international press attention.

This online conference will be of immense value to cities and places around the world, whether they already have a World Heritage Site or are considering an

inscription; and the importance of effective communication between UNESCO, municipalities, state parties and other bodies.

The programme can be seen [here](#).

To book your ticket, please click [here](#).

*Image Christopher Heaney*



## **Call for Applications: 2nd Regional Course on Interpretive Planning at World Heritage Properties in Europe**

### **Be quick - deadline this Wed 18 May 2022**

The call for applications to participate in the second regional course on interpretive planning at World Heritage properties (WH-Interp) is now open. You have until 18 May 2022, 12 pm CET to apply!

The course organised by UNESCO in cooperation with Interpret Europe is mostly aimed at practitioners with a professional role in the management of World Heritage properties in Europe, especially with relation to heritage presentation and interpretation.

The WH-Interp course explores how World Heritage status ties in with UNESCO's mission to promote peace, dialogue and sustainability, with a view at developing related skills and competences of World Heritage site management. The course assumes that heritage interpretation, as a structured approach to non-formal learning that promotes exchange about significant

with sustainable development goals and introducing participatory approaches.

Two sessions of the introductory webinar are scheduled on **7 & 8 June 2022**, from 10-12 am CET.


The face-to-face workshop (phase 2) of the pilot course is scheduled for **19-23 September 2022, in Ljubljana, Slovenia**.

Selected applicants will receive accommodation (board and lodging) for the duration of the on-site workshop.

Applicants may request support for their travel costs, which will be provided in the form of pre-paid tickets, contingent upon the availability of funds. Applicants interested in receiving the travel support will have to indicate the request in the application form.

If you're interested, click [here](#) to apply.

Full details are [here](#). Good luck!


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## Explore all Cultural Routes by theme

In 2021, we count 45 Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe, with very different themes that illustrate European memory, history and heritage and contribute to an interpretation of the diversity of present-day Europe.


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of the Council of Europe  
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Pyrenees

2003



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2004

## Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe in the United Kingdom Opportunities and Challenges Workshop

This event is organised by the Council of Europe's **European Institute for Cultural Routes** in association with Nottingham Trent University (NTU) and with support from the UK National Commission for UNESCO.

This workshop has been designed to be the first major meeting of the members of the 16 Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe active in the UK with over 70 member organisations and sites. It is designed to raise the profile of the Routes within UK civil society and amongst relevant national cultural, heritage and tourism organisations and provide a timely, post-pandemic forum for exploring opportunities for further route development and UK partner engagement. Full details of the Council of Europe's Cultural Routes Programme can be found here [www.coe.int/en/web/cultural-routes/by-theme](http://www.coe.int/en/web/cultural-routes/by-theme).

The **Cultural Routes Programme** in the UK already benefits the development of cultural tourism, heritage sites and local economies across 16 routes. At present there are some seven UK World Heritage Sites engaged in the **Cultural Routes Programme** but there is further potential for synergies with the routes already operating in the UK, with the other routes across the majority of the Council of Europe's 46 member states and for developing new routes in the UK's interests. NTU hope that you will be able to recognise cultural routes that would be of interest to your Site or organisation or perhaps you have ideas for cultural route development that you may wish to explore. A report of workshop outcomes will be produced and widely circulated and your input would be welcome.

Participation in **the workshop is free** (lunches and refreshments are provided) but places are limited, and registration is essential. Registration with further information regarding the programme can be found by clicking [here](#).

More details can be found [here](#).

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## Save the date - WHUK Annual Conference

World Heritage UK's 2022 annual conference will be on **Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th October**, at Jodrell Bank WHS.

The programme is being developed over the coming weeks but confirmed already is Dr. Mechtild Rössler, until recently the Director of the UNESCO World Heritage Centre and the Heritage Division.

The WHUK annual conference will be an **in-person event only**. So please hold the dates in your diary, and save some budget for tickets, travel and accommodation!

More details coming soon.

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## **50 Years of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention in Europe - Achievements and Challenges**

**Kraków, Poland Wed 8 – Fri 10 June 2022**

The Kraków International Cultural Centre, ICOMOS Poland and City of Kraków have organised an international conference to celebrate 50 years of the WH Convention.

The conference theme – Achievements and Challenges in Europe – aims to help give an account of the successes, assess the current state of heritage protection, reflect on forecasts and tasks for the future.

The discussion will be divided into six thematic sessions to address the following issues:

1. The achievements and experiences of the World Heritage Convention in Europe
2. The experiences and issues/challenges of European cities and villages inscribed on the World Heritage List
3. The WH List – trends and obstacles. Changes in the implementation of the Convention
4. The potential to apply the experiences gleaned from the WH List system in national heritage protection systems
5. The need for modifications to the WH system arising out of European experiences
6. Cooperation within the Visegrad Group as an example of regional concern for WH List sites

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The conference is both in-person and online, and will be held in English.  
The event is free and you can register [here](#).

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## Please support the work of World Heritage UK

WHUK is a small but unique charity. We're always looking for new members or donations.

If you aren't a member, or know someone who would like to be a member, please go to our [Membership page](#) to join.

If you or a friend or colleague would like to make a donation to WHUK, please go to our [Donation page](#), to help us support the UK's WH community.

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