



LITHUANIA

Candidate to the World Heritage Committee
2027–2031

PROTECT ♦ CONNECT ♦ SUSTAIN



Lithuania is an active member of the World Heritage community, dedicated to enhancing the resilience of World Heritage sites in the face of climate change, human-caused threats, and other crises. We support credible and well-balanced representation on the World Heritage List, encourage innovation and digital tools in heritage management, and place strong emphasis on community and youth engagement. Guided by transparency, professionalism, and respect for cultural diversity, our vision is to foster a more sustainable, forward-looking, and inclusive World Heritage community. As a candidate for the 2027–2031 term, Lithuania seeks to PROTECT, CONNECT and SUSTAIN our shared heritage and its future. We are therefore extending an invitation for us all to be RESILIENT TOGETHER.





PROTECT





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Safeguarding
Outstanding
Universal
Value

Dedicated to the mission of the World Heritage Convention, Lithuania advances effective protection through a solid legal framework, robust Management Plans, strengthened emergency preparedness, improved inter-institutional cooperation, and digital documentation initiatives such as eCulture (eKultūra). Lithuania also contributes to UNESCO's Heritage Emergency Fund and international restoration efforts, including projects in Mosul and several Ukrainian cities

Lithuania is committed to reinforcing World Heritage protection and improving emergency response, with particular attention to properties on the List of World Heritage in Danger. We are ready to share our experience in strengthening regulatory, management, and risk preparedness systems worldwide, and supporting timely international cooperation and assistance.



CONNECT





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Linking
Communities
and
Heritage

Recognising that Heritage embodies identity, memory, and knowledge, Lithuania promotes contemporary approach to World Heritage management. We foster intergenerational dialogue and engage young people through initiatives such as the Culture Passport (Kultūros pasas), the Culture Unlocked (Kultūra atrakina) project, and digital tools like eCulture (eKultūra).

Lithuania further strengthens the connection between people, their heritage and the natural environment by supporting the sustainable development of communities living in and around World Heritage sites. We are well-positioned to share community-centred governance models, youth-focused engagement practices, digital innovation, as well as contribute expertise to balanced List advocacy and a stronger global World Heritage community.





SUSTAIN





SUSTAIN

Ensuring
Long-Term
Viability
and Climate
Resilience

To improve climate resilience, Lithuania promotes capacity-building through international training, responds proactively by adopting National Climate Change Adaptation Plan, and supports assessment tools such as the Climate Vulnerability Index. Practical measures — including the Fixus Mobilis programme and the integration of heritage, climate strategies, and traditional knowledge — further advance sustainable, community-based solutions.

Lithuania promotes the long-term sustainability of World Heritage by developing heritage-based, community-centred, and traditional-knowledge-driven approaches. We stand ready to enhance the implementation of global climate adaptation policies, including climate action toolkit, while strengthening collective efforts to safeguard World Heritage in a changing climate.



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