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Organization of World Heritage Cities - OWHC:

This international non-governmental organization was founded on 8 September 1993 in Fes (Morocco). At present it comprises 242 cities inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. The headquarters of the Management Board of the Organization of World Heritage Cities is located in Quebec (Canada), whereas its administration is overseen by seven secretariats (assigned to particular geographic regions). The principle objective of OWHC is to facilitate the exchange of experiences among the member cities in the domain of revitalization of historical cities and popularization of new solutions that allow complete heritage protection. Celebrated annually by member cities, World Heritage Cities Solidarity Day is devoted to the presentation of achievements in renovation and popularization of monument protection ideas. Celebrations of Solidarity Day were initiated in Krakow in 2000.

Krakow has been a member of OWHC since 1995, pursuant to the Resolution of the Krakow City Council no. XXXIV/322/95 of 22 November 1995.

Coordination of cooperation:
The Culture and National Heritage Department is the coordinator of Krakow's participation in the organization's activities.

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