

# FINAL REPORT

Project supported by the Organization of World Heritage Cities  
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Name of the project:	<b>International school project World heritage and its people</b>
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This project follows the result and experiences of the Banska Stiavnica-Budapest 2 years school program (2012/2013) and project "Let's get to know world heritage" implemented in Kutna Hora in May 2015.

### **SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT**

In accordance with the goals of UNESCO Young People's World Heritage Education Program and OWHC Youth School Programs there were main objectives of our project:

- To encourage young people to become involved in heritage conservation on the local and global level
- To promote awareness among young people of the importance of preservation of the architectural heritage by means of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention and the Organization of World Heritage Cities
- To develop new and effective educational approaches, methods and materials
- To help to establish a network for future cooperation on the regional and international level
- to try to show a new way of cooperation to other cities to be able to follow this example

The project was based on the cooperation of four schools from four countries:

Kamenna stezka school, Kutna Hora, Czech Republic  
Jozef Horaka school, Banska Stiavnica, Slovak Republic  
Obuda Harrer Pal school, Budapest, Hungary  
Św. Wojciech Primary school no 2, Krakow, Poland

The main goal was to prepare the international educational seminar in Krakow for 4 days for 26 people in May 2016 for children of primary schools in Banska Stiavnica, Budapest, Krakow and Kutna Hora. 4 pupils and 1 teacher from each school was invited as well 1 coordinator from each town, 2 experts and Regional Coordinator of the CEER OWHC to participate in the project.

### **PROJECT SCHEDULE**

#### **February 2016** – first meeting in Krakow

Representatives of 4 cities (experts, coordinators and teachers) met in Krakow (11 - 13.02.2016) to discuss detailed program of the seminar and forthcoming activities as well to take strategic decisions on the project.

#### **February to April 2016** – preparation

Teachers with children of four schools, coordinators and experts have been implementing conclusions of February working meeting to prepare for realization of the project in May.

#### **May 2016** – Project realization

Four children per city with teacher and coordinator visited Krakow between 21 and 25 May 2016. The program has been implemented thanks involvement of two experts for culture heritage who were responsible for scientific content of the project. They were supported by

guides and local teachers who together with Krakow children presented historical monuments, technical heritage and national customs.

**Participants:**

12 children (2 girls and 2 boys per city) – 13-15 years

name and surname	City
Laurencia Bačíková	Banska Stiavnica
Veronika Tekulová	Banska Stiavnica
Samuel Mihalčík	Banska Stiavnica
Šimon Kulišek	Banska Stiavnica
Borbála Sárai	Budapest
Vanda Pyfny	Budapest
Kristóf Kéri	Budapest
Zsigmond Tímár	Budapest
Emilia Walczak	Krakow
Weronika Skorupa	Krakow
Jan Mardyla	Krakow
Kajetan Sobol	Krakow
Petra Vančurová	Kutna Hora
Eliška Machalická	Kutna Hora
Antonín Schovanec	Kutna Hora
Pavel Bartoš	Kutna Hora

Teachers and organizers

name and surname	City/function
Eva Hnatkova	Kutna Hora/coordinator
Martina Chlupackova	Kutna Hora/teacher
Henrieta Godova	Banska Stiavnica/coordinator
Mirka Breznoscakova	Banska Stiavnica/teacher
Miron Breznoscak	Banska Stiavnica/expert
Katalin Kiss	Budapest/expert
Erika Krupincza	Budapest/teacher
Akos Capdebo	Budapest/Regional Coordinator
Agata Mierzynska	Krakow/coordinator
Ewelina Kusiak	Krakow/teacher

## DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

### Program of the visit to Krakow

#### Saturday, May 21, 2016

Cracow - arrival and accommodation of the participants (Hostel of Culture Railway Association)

18:30 Dinner at the hostel

Discussion the program of the visit; Integration games

#### Sunday, May 22, 2016

9:30 Leaving the hostel

10:00 Cracow Old Town sightseeing (Wawel Hill – cathedral, castle, Royal Route, Main Market Square – St. Mary Basilique, Collegium Maius)

11:30 Visit to the *Rynek Underground* exhibition

12:30 Lunch in the Wesele – traditional Polish restaurant (<http://weselerestauracja.pl/en/>)

14:00 Free time

16:40 Departure for Wieliczka (from the car park at the Town Hall)

17:20 Visit to the Salt Mine

19:45 Dinner in the Smakołyki restaurant /[www.smakolyki.eu/](http://www.smakolyki.eu/)

21:00 Return to the hostel

#### Monday, May 23, 2016

8:30 Departure from the hostel

9:00 Visit to the Municipality of Krakow –

Wielopolski Palace – Chamber of Krakow City Council

- Welcome by Dariusz Domajewski, head of Education Department of the City of Krakow

- Presentation “World heritage and its people” – Katalin Kiss

11:30 Visit to the Primary School No 4 (ul. Smoleńsk 5-7)

– presentation on the Małopolska region, exchange of postcards

12:30 Lunch at the boat Aquarius

14:30 Free time

16:20 Departure for the Garden of Experiences (from the car park at the Town Hall)

16:50 Visit to the “Garden of Experiences” – educational outdoor park – workshop  
<http://www.ogroddoswiadczen.pl/en>

18:50 Departure – short sightseeing in Nowa Huta district (by bus)

19:15 Dinner in the Inn under the Black Horse

21:00 Return to the hostel

#### Tuesday, May 24, 2016

8:45 departure of the buses from the Town Hall with Agata Mierzyńska

9:00 Departure from the hostel (by bus)

- 9:30 Visit to the Św. Wojciech Primary School No 2
- 9:30 Welcome
- 9:45 Presentation and exchange of post-cards produced by children from 4 cities
- 10:30 Play with us the game from Krakow
- 11:15 Play with us the game from Kutna Hora
- 12:00 Lunch at the school
- 13:00 Departure from the school to the Kazimierz district (get off at the pl. Wolnica Square)
- 13:45 Free time
- 15:30 Transfer (or walk) to Salwator
- 16:00 Walk to the Kościuszko Mound, Las Wolski to the U Ziyada Restaurant  
(4 km – sport shoes recommended :)
- 18:00 Dinner in Przegorzały – “U Ziyada”
- 20:00 Return to the hostel

### Wednesday, May 25, 2016

- 10:15 Departure from the hostel
- 10:30 Meeting in the Old Town Cultural Centre (ul. Mikołajska 2)
  - Play with us the game from Banska Stiavnica
  - Play with us the game from Budapest
- 12:30 Lunch in the Invito Pizzeria
- Leaving Krakow

### **DESCRIPTION OF ACHIEVED GOALS**

On the bases of our application submitted to the OWHC we can summarize achieved aims of the project. All participants were happy with the results of our project and believed that the project may be continued. The detailed idea (participants, formula, co-financing etc.) should be discussed by the member cities of Central and Eastern Europe Region of the OWHC – possible during the next regional conference. But it is obvious for everybody that this way of cooperation in the framework of CEER OWHC is highly appreciated.

Outcomes of the project:

- testing and development of new methods and approaches establishing in 2012/2013 Banska Stiavnica - Budapest school project (LRP program)
- fruitful discussion about methods of future cooperation between schools in the frame of the Organization of World Heritage Cities projects and aims
- visit to the Krakow historical centre and Wieliczka Salt Mine – sites of the World Heritage List
- visit to Kazimierz and Nowa Huta districts; Kościuszko Mound – exceptional sites on the map of Krakow
- visits to primary schools no 2 and 4 in Krakow (presentation of the project, world heritage and OWHC to many Krakow pupils and teachers)
- participation in educational program (educational games promoting Budapest, Krakow, Banska Stiavnica and Kutna Hora; storytelling; practicing English skills; practicing ppt presentations and exploration of the web;
- popularization of educational tools for CEER schools via project homepage and

participants

- encouragement teachers and students for the discussion on international cooperation between schools, their wishes and expectations – in the field of world heritage and its protection
- four cities/ four countries have been introduced one another
- real involvement/emotions between children as well as improvement of their knowledge during competing in the international groups when playing the games.
- games and physical experiences in the Garden of Experiences have been considered as unique an exceptional.

The project gave an excellent opportunity to exchange experiences and ideas how to support/protect our architectural and technical heritage not only by the professionals but also by ordinary people, students and pupils. It is also very important that pupils discuss their participation and project topics with their schoolmates, parents as well as friends. Project resulted also with “production” real subject /promotional materials like games and postcards which were produced by pupils with teachers and may be used not only during the project but also after its completion.

The cooperation between four cities/towns was fruitful and successful. We constructed good network for future cooperation on the international level in the frame of our Central and Eastern European Region of the OWHC. Fortunately, the OWHC has supported the youth programs for many years. It raises hopes of bright prospects to the future. The children participating in our project learned not only the respect of world heritage and its protection but also respect of each other’s culture heritage and customs including the respect of children and people from different countries.

## FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

C O S T S    I N   P L N				
Total costs of the project according to the budget	Contracted (OWHC support)	Krakow “in kind” Costs	Amount NOT covered by OWHC	OWHC share on the total costs of the project in %
25 190 PLN 9160 CAD	19 248 PLN 7000 CAD	5942 PLN 2160 CAD	5942 PLN 2160 CAD	<b>76,42</b>

### Expected contribution of the project

The goal of the project has been achieved. Children with teachers have spent five days in Krakow playing, learning, exchanging their knowledge and skills and, first of all, exploring

one of world heritage cities. Krakow Old Town together with Wieliczka Salt Mine was inscribed as one of first entries to the World Heritage List in 1978.

The result of this experience is to be discovered and used during their lives. They will always be aware how many treasures are collected all over the world and about responsibility of future generations for maintaining and restoring it. Children were informed that nobody would do it for them. They will play in future different roles and take different positions: as teachers, politicians, experts, professors, members of non-governmental organizations or architects. And always will deal with historical treasures of their city, country or world heritage.

Responsibility of teachers is also very heavy: they are to teach not only about history and its monuments but also about modern world and its dangers towards world heritage. Whatever we do it matters.

Our project is presented on the website:

[http://www.krakow.pl/otwarty\\_na\\_swiat/organizacje\\_miedzynarodowe/201006,artykul,miedzynarodowy\\_projekt\\_educacyjny\\_owhc\\_krakow\\_2016\\_swiatowe\\_dziedzictwo\\_i\\_jego\\_ludzie\\_.html](http://www.krakow.pl/otwarty_na_swiat/organizacje_miedzynarodowe/201006,artykul,miedzynarodowy_projekt_educacyjny_owhc_krakow_2016_swiatowe_dziedzictwo_i_jego_ludzie_.html)

so everyone can become acquainted with the program and the idea. There one can learn how to engage young people's attention to the world heritage through games, contest's questionnaires, songs, workshops, sightseeing, drawings or meetings with international colleagues.

The children participating in the project should be ambassadors of world heritage – not only their local heritage but also world treasures which make it so exciting, diverse and beautiful. Support of the OWHC provides possibilities to invite youngsters to the real politics and prepare them to play an active role in future: take responsibility.

Teaching children about our history and its monuments, engaging young generation in fascinating area of world heritage and presentation of modern tools to protect world heritage is one of the main tasks of experts, scientists and politicians. This is why any effort put on these kind of educational projects is worthy to undertake.

In conclusion – of all participants - it is necessary to mention our suggestion and will to continue this project also in the school year 2016/2017 and coming years. The project should include more cities and towns or sites from Central and Eastern European Region of the OWHC who are willing to participate. If we can get the support from our OWHC we'll be able to realize the project which motivates everybody to recognize and understand the importance of the World Heritage movement and the important role of the international organizations like UNESCO or OWHC. Participation of more cities would result with the necessity for higher financial involvement of participating cities or smaller number of children.

Final statement:

All participants of the project are grateful to the Organization of the World heritage Cities and the City of Krakow to make possible implementation of this interesting project: meeting in Krakow.