



**Young
Climate Action
for World
Heritage**

An Educational Project for Young People about World Heritage, Climate Change and Sustainable Action by the Institute Heritage Studies and the German Commission for UNESCO.

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Protecting World Heritage Sites from climate change while at the same time harnessing their potential for sustainable development is therefore a key task for current and future generations. The project positions World Heritage Sites as learning places within the Agenda 2030 and Education for Sustainable Development.



For one school year, students work at and with 6 World Heritage Sites:

Wadden Sea

Archaeological Border Complex Hedeby and Danevirke

Mines of Rammelsberg, Historic Town of Goslar and Upper Harz Water Management System

Palaces and Parks of Potsdam and Berlin

Erzgebirge/Krušnohoří Mining Region

Moravian Church Settlements, component part Herrnhut (World Heritage Candidate)

Think global, act local

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Young voices

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Find out more about the project on our website: www.heritagestudies.eu/youngclimateaction



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Photo top left: Palaces and Parks of Potsdam and Berlin in times of climate change, Photo: SPSG/Romberg

Photo bottom right: Experiencing history, landscape, nature and traditions in Herrnhut, Photo: Evangelische Zinzendorfsschulen Herrnhut

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Photo top left: Discovering Erzgebirge/Krušnohoří Mining Region below ground, Photo: Gymnasium Marienberg

Photo bottom left: Hands-on: Sustainable building in Herrnhut, Photo: Evangelisch Zinzendorfschulen Herrnhut

Photo top right: Tackling climate change locally at the Palaces and Parks of Potsdam and Berlin, Photo: SPSG/Romberg

Photo bottom right: Exploring Haithabu and Danevirke climate-friendly by bike, Photo: Friederike Malisch-Johnigk