

PROJECTS (EXAMPLES)

Italics .. project for the World Heritage region management of Wachau

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World Heritage

- 2020 Global comparative analysis on the significance of the Großglockner High Alpine Road as a potential World Heritage site
(Austrian Ministry for Arts, Culture, Public Service, and Sports; together with Solimar International, Washington D.C., Prof. Kurt Luger, University of Salzburg, Dr. Kristina Skåden, Oslo, and DI Thomas Mitterecker, Berndorf)
- 2020 Article on the similarities of the World Heritage sites Upper Middle Rhine Valley and Wachau for a special booklet celebrating 20 years of World Heritage in the Wachau
(Lower Austrian State Government)
- 2019/20 Creating a World Heritage management plan for the WH cultural landscape “Hallstatt-Dachstein/Salzkammergut”
(Upper Austrian State Government)
- 2019 Case study paper on the effects of the flood protection provisions in the WH cultural landscape Wachau following the flood of 2002
(ICCROM-ICOMOS Joint Working Group)
- 2018 Licensing an offer for nature protection grants in Wachau World Heritage
(Association World Heritage Municipalities Wachau)
- 2018 *Establishing the project platform „World Heritage Volunteers“ in order to organize volunteer camps for the maintenance of the World Heritage in the two World Heritage cultural landscapes Wachau and Upper Middle Rhine Valley*
- 2016-18 *Preparation of the joining of the Wachau and representation of the region in DANUBEPARKS, the network of large nature protection areas along the Danube river, participation in the joint Interreg project DANUBEparksCONNECTED*
- 2015-18 *Restructuring the region Wachau in order to achieve a stable and sustainable management for the tasks connected with the World Heritage status, drafting and building up the monitoring*

- system for the surveillance of the development of the World Heritage, drafting, building up and servicing the World Heritage Advisory Board of the World Heritage region Wachau*
- 2015-17 *Lead editor for the World Heritage Management Plan for the World Heritage site Wachau*
- 2015-18 *Establishing and leading the nature protection cooperation “Wachau-Thayatal-Donauauen” and “Big Five Volunteer” for the joint planning and organizing of volunteer camps for nature protection, at the same time establishing a platform for the exchange between five of the largest nature protection institutions in Lower Austria (Donau-Auen National Park, Thayatal National Park, Wienerwald Biosphere Reserve, Wilderness Area and World Natural Heritage Dürrenstein, World Heritage Wachau)*
- 2011/12 *Joint grant proposal for partners from Austria, Germany, and Hungary for a project aiming at creating awareness for the importance of nature protection in the framework of the EU Danube Territorial Programme, EU for Citizens programme (Austrian Environmental Umbrella Organization)*
- 2011 *Grant proposal for the technology and arts project “Slow Light”, Austrian impulse LEAD programme (Siegrun Appelt, artist)*
- 2010 *Lecturing of the final report on a new tourism info system in the Wachau (con.os tourismus.consulting)*
- 2010/11 *Operational management of the participation of the Wachau region in the Interreg IVc project “ViTour Landscape” with partners from other World Heritage winegrowing cultural landscapes in DE, AT, HU, IT, PT, FR (exchanging best practice projects dealing with a number of different aspects of cultural landscape management, organizing workshops, financial management) (Wachau Dunkelsteinerwald Regional Development)*
- 2010-18 *Managing a regional working group for setting up and creating development plans aiming at tailor-made conservation plans for the built environment in the historic villages in the Wachau*
- 2009-16 *Operational management of the cultural and touristic federal state grant programme “Wachau 2010 plus” (more than 100 projects in the fields of arts and culture, tourism, and energy in the World Heritage Wachau)*
- 2007 *Drafting the proposal of the Wachau for the State Exhibition 2007 as a basis for the strategic programme “Wachau 2010 plus”*

2003-11 *Feasibility studies, concepts, participating in the architects competition and surveying the building of the World Heritage Center Wachau at the pier in Krems-Stein*

2002-09 *Drafting and surveying the preparation work for the World Heritage Trail Wachau, starting the cooperation with the Upper Middle Rhine Valley for creating the hiking projects in the Wachau*

Regional development

2019 *Setting up the regional partner network ahead of the Lower Austrian State Exhibition 2022 (Weinviertel Tourism)*

2018/19 *Creating a series of different final reports for the Interreg project "CESBA (Common European Sustainable Built Environment Assessment) Alpine Space – Sustainable Territories" (CESBA Association)*

2014-15 *Writing the current Local Development Strategy for the Leader region Wachau-Dunkelsteinerwald based on a huge stakeholder involvement process in the region*

2014 *Stakeholder involvement for the preparation of the Wagram region for the new Leader term (Wagram region intended to run for Leader region with Wachau-Dunkelsteinerwald but in the end did so with Donau Niederösterreich-Mitte)*

2011 *Planning and organizing a showcase event for emphasizing the importance of Leader regions for the rural development in Lower Austria (Lower Austrian State Government)*

2007 *Writing the current Local Development Strategy for the Leader region Wachau-Dunkelsteinerwald for the term 2007-14 based on a huge stakeholder involvement process in the region*

2005-15 *Deputy speaker of the Lower Austrian Leader regions, representing them at the officers-in-charge of Lower Austria, Austria, and the EU*

2002-08 *Re-starting the work of Jauerling-Wachau Nature Park starting from bankruptcy, creating an active modern nature park, coordination of the nature park strategy 2006*

In general

- since 2018 Private consultant in the field of cultural and World Heritage management
- 2017-18 *Officially appointed site manager of the World Heritage Wachau*
- 2011-18 *Shareholder representative in the general assembly of Wachau Kultur Melk GmbH*
- 2002-18 *Director of the regional cooperation platform “Arbeitskreis Wachau”, director and in charge of the further development of the regional institutions for taking care of the tasks connected to the management of the World Heritage listing and the general development of the Wachau region, building up and leading the regional office of Wachau region in Spitz Castle, acquiring, financing, settling and partly putting into action of almost 600 projects with regional relevance (by the region itself or by third parties)*
- 2002-15 *Manager of the Leader regions World Heritage Wachau (2002-07) and Wachau-Dunkelsteinerwald (2008-15), twice successfully re-running for recognition as Leader region*
- since 2016 Peer reviewer for the “Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development”

