

# **Enjoying Czech Heritage**

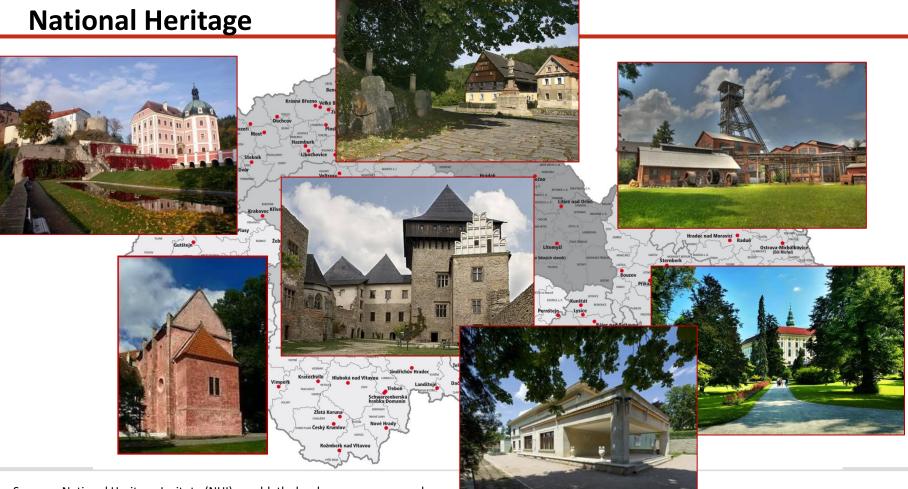
Improving Resilience of Heritage by Education and Learning

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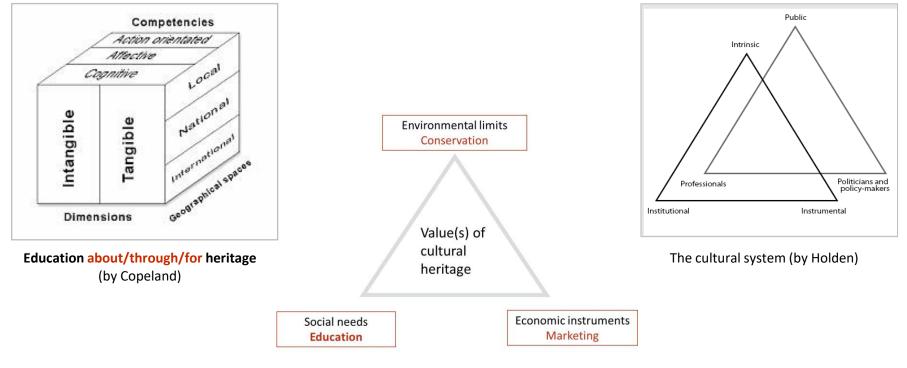
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# **Accessibility: Potential for Development**



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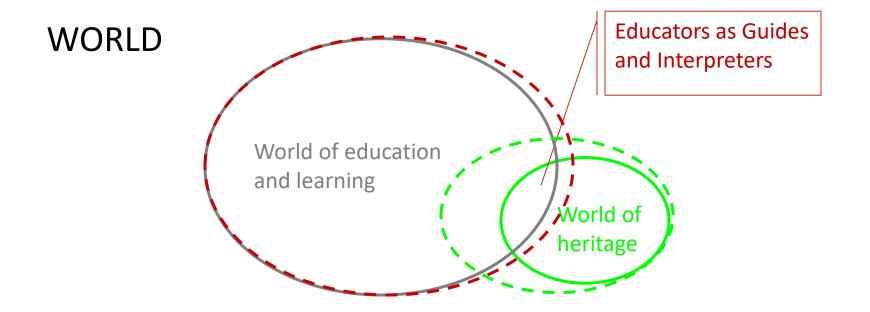
# **Theoretical Backgrounds**



Sustainability of cultural heritage value(s)

Souces: Copeland (2006, 17); Havlůjová, Sládková (2011, 16); Holden (2006, 31)

# How to unlock educational potential of cultural heritage?



Source: Stone (2008)

#### Nine Principles of Heritage Education and Learning

- 1. Enjoyment is the key.
- 2. People never forget things that they have touched.
- 3. What is good for children is also good for adults. (This rule seldom applies in reverse).
- 4. People protect things they have a relationship with.
- 5. Heritage sites are places where we can discover our own stories.
- 6. Castles and Chateaux are not the only historic environments.
- 7. Heritage sites provide an opportunity for all generations to meet, learn, create and have fun.
- 8. The process is just as important as the result.
- 9. Help me to comprehend things by myself.









# **Research Strategy & Facts & Figures**

#### 7 regional educational centres

#### 31 000 participants



1000 educational programmes 30 heritage sites 4 years



# (In)visible Changes of Quality Interpretation



When I was a child I touched a fish in the Podzámecká Garden. I had got a rebuke for that. Even my parents did not stick up for me. Today I have been allowed to touch everything and I like it very much.

(Feedback of a blind participant in the programme *Rotating in Rotunda*, Flower Garden of Kroměříž, 2014).



#### Heritage Education for Kindergartens and Primary Schools





# Heritage Education for Secondary Schools





# Heritage Learning Programmes for Teachers





# Non-formal and Informal Learning in the Historic Environment





#### **Inclusive Education and Learning in the Historic Environment**



# **Follow-up Activities: Summer School of Heritage Education**



Kuks 2016



Kroměříž 2017

Photos: Hudec

# Follow-up Activities: European Heritage Days (2017)



Baroque monuments in the town of České Budějovice (Discovery visit)

How was the medieval castle keep of Rožmberk castle built? (Hands-on programme)

Photos: Sajtlová

# Resilience and Change (2016 – 2018 and beyond)

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