

Partner Organisation	
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Profile	
Is your organisation a non-profit?	YES
Legal status	Non profit organisation

Background and Experience

Future for Religious Heritage (FRH) is an independent, non-faith, non-profit European network founded in 2011 and based in Brussels to promote, encourage and support the safeguard, maintenance, conservation, restoration, accessibility and embellishment of historic places of worship. The network currently represents more than 77 organisations and 200 individuals working to protect and promote religious heritage across Europe. Members include NGOs, governmental organisations, religious bodies, university departments, researchers, museums, academics and civil society organisations.

The FRH office is based in Brussels at the heart of the European Union. FRH has several committees and working groups composed of FRH members and volunteers that support the network with their expertise, including among others a Scientific Advisory Committee, composed of high-level academics from various educational institutions and professional fields, and a communications Committee, which brings together experts in communications, awareness-raising campaigns and delivering high-level communication strategies and materials.

The work of FRH includes:

- Networking and knowledge-sharing activities, such as our FRH Talks, masterclasses, face-to-face meetings and our Biennial Conference, which brings together a high-profile audience of experts, practitioners and academia in the field of religious heritage.
- Awareness-raising activities, such as the Religious Heritage Innovator of the Year Award, the FRH Photo Competition, and the Run for Heritage campaign.
- Advocacy activities at the EU level via its membership of the EU Commission Expert Group on Cultural Heritage, the European Heritage Alliance, the Climate Heritage Network, and other high-level European and international forums focusing on cultural heritage.
- FRH has a demonstrated track record in EU-funded projects in various roles, including project lead, project partner and associate partner. The organisation has more than 12 years of experience conducting EU-wide communication and dissemination roles for EU-funded projects.

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Past projects include:

- SKIVRE (2018-2021). The European project SKIVRE (Skills Development for the Valorisation of European Religious Heritage) was launched in 2018 to provide capacity-building to European monasteries and monastery shops to support the manufacturing, marketing and sales of high-quality monastic products, which are a source of income to preserve religious heritage. Tourism industry and economic development.
- Europetour (2015-2018). The European project Europetour brought together and connected a diverse range of rural areas in Europe to enhance local cultural tourism. View all our activities or look at the developed training modules on the topic at hand.
- ALTERheritage (2013-2015). ALTERheritage aims to make existing materials for vocational learning about religious heritage conservation and management available more widely. The project, led by FRH with five of its members as active partners, consisted of a series of seminars, hosted by each partner in turn.
- FRH CONNECT and FRH UNITE (2014-2024) Two Creative Europe network support projects, which allowed the development of a consolidated European network in the field of religious heritage, bringing together multidisciplinary experts and organisations working with cultural heritage across Europe and beyond.
- Participation and support to various projects as an associate partner.

FRH is currently involved in two EU-funded projects:

- Polyverse (2024-2026). Promoting multicultural dialogue and religious heritage by creating a European Interreligious Choir is an EU-funded project that harnesses the unifying potential of culture and art, particularly music, to promote interreligious and intercultural dialogue. The project has the ambitious task of creating the very first European Interreligious Choir that will collaboratively create an original musical composition.
- Miretage (2023-2026). European Pathways to Minority Religious Heritage (MIRETAGE) is an EU-funded project to foster inclusive education and inclusive heritage. To do this, the project will develop innovative methods of adult education through discussions in “heritage laboratories” which will serve as a forum for ideas and exchange between the different actors involved in cultural heritage and education, and the creation of minority religious heritage trails

What we offer as a partner

- Access to a Europe-wide network of professionals in several fields. FRH has 77 member organisations in more than 35 countries and hundreds of individual professional members across Europe and beyond. This guarantees access to expertise in a variety of topics related to cultural heritage management, protection and promotion, as well as great potential for exchanging ideas, networking and organising events.
- Advocacy at the EU level in key international forums and platforms such as the European Commission Expert Group on Cultural Heritage, the European Heritage Alliance 3.3 or the European Pact for Skills. We regularly participate in high-level meetings in the Brussels EU environment and can offer a connection to policymakers, decision-makers and other relevant stakeholders.
- Experience in high-quality management and delivery of EU project deliverables and outputs
- Experience in drafting high quality applications
- Passionate team dedicated to advancing EU projects in the field of cultural heritage

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