Mission Statement

Heritage for Peace is a non-profit organization whose mission is to support all Syrians in their efforts to protect and safeguard Syria’s cultural heritage during the armed conflict.

- Work during the conflict
- For all Syrians
- To protect all cultural heritage
- Use cultural heritage
  - as a common ground for dialogue
  - thus a start for peacebuilding

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Background

• Pre-Conflict, Peri-Conflict and Post-Conflict
• Clear choice: Peri-Conflict
• Traumatic experience
• Different heritage sector
• Support
  – Aimed at stabilisation or Consolidation
  – Risk management perspective
  – No high-tech
  – Practical
Some Goals

• To recognize that all forms of cultural heritage in Syria are valued as equal in importance
• To promote understanding across diverse communities of the communal value of heritage
• To provide instructive material to develop basic skills in computer use, management, bookkeeping and English
• To liaise between heritage workers operating during a violent conflict and the international heritage community
Basic Data

• Registered NGO in Girona, Spain
  – Since 1 March 2013
• Staff 20 from 9 countries
• 5 Working groups
• Work with
  – Official Syrian national heritage institution
  – Several opposition groups
  – Local NGOs and individuals
• Website www.herritageforpeace.org
Some Finished Projects I

- Electronic platform *Resources* on website
- Workshop for DGAM *Basic Tools to Protect Cultural Heritage in Syria Now’ Beirut*
- Support Crisis Team formation DGAM
- Resolution SNC for the Geneva Peace Talks
Some Finished Projects II

- No-strike list for Aleppo
- No-strike list for Syria (participation)
- Mailing List *Damage to Syria’s Heritage*
- Facilitation DGAM participation Arab Museum conference
- Needs Assessment DGAM
Short –term Projects

• Workshop *Handling, Packaging and Storing in Evacuation of Heritage collections* (staff Damascus and Aleppo)

• Training *International Heritage Law* (Free Syrian Army)

• Seminar *Learning from previous experiences to safeguard cultural heritage during the Syrian crisis*
Medium-term Projects

• Meeting *Foreign Missions in Syria*
• First Aid to built heritage during crisis
• Damage Assessment
• Reduce Illicit trade and illegal excavation on the Turkish-Syrian border
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