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UNESCO Ramallah Office Organized a workshop on the management of cultural heritage sites in Palestine

Amman, Jordan (21 -23 March 2017).

In the framework of the project *Local development through the rehabilitation and revitalization of the historic environment in Palestine*, funded by the Government of Sweden, UNESCO Ramallah Office organized in Amman, Jordan, a two-day capacity-development workshop on management of Palestinian cultural heritage sites. The activity, conducted by two international experts on cultural heritage management and conservation, gathered some 27 Palestinian professionals from Palestinian Ministries, Municipalities, universities and cultural heritage organizations.

The interactive workshop focused on challenges to conservation and management of cultural heritage in the Palestinian context, as well as on internationally recognized principles and practices for effective cultural heritage management and conservation. The discussion among key specialists in the field of cultural heritage will also benefit, as a further outcome of this capacity-development activity and in compliance with the relevant decisions of the World Heritage Committee, the ongoing preparation of the management plans for the sites of the *Birthplace of Jesus: Church of the Nativity and the Pilgrimage Route, Bethlehem* and of *Palestine: Land of Olives and Vines – Cultural Landscape of Southern Jerusalem, Battir*, inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

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