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## **Krakow has been honoured twice by the OWHC**

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**Krakow became a member of the OWHC (Organization of World Heritage Cities) Board of Directors, gaining the trust of nearly 100 cities of the world.**

The Mayor of Krakow, Jacek Majchrowski, was elected President of the OWHC. Thank you for trusting us in Korea, choosing us as the host of the 15th OWHC Congress and trusting us again, not only giving us the honourable position on the Board of Directors, but also by electing the Mayor of Krakow to become the president of the OWHC. We accept this double distinction with great joy and pride - emphasised the Mayor, Jacek Majchrowski.

On Tuesday, the candidacy of Krakow was presented by Jerzy Muzyk, Deputy Mayor of the City of Kraków for Sustainable Development, , and the plenipotentiary of the President of Krakow for Culture, Robert Piaskowski.

This is a confirmation of Krakow's achievements by the international community of heritage cities. The joint success of many cultural groups, entrepreneurs, conservation environments, institutions and non-governmental organisations. Guests from all over the world were convinced not only by the hospitality and beauty of the city, but also by a bold vision not only for Krakow, but also for the OWHC.

Krakow is the only city in Central and Eastern Europe to gain this privilege. This is a huge responsibility and a great honour. The Board of Directors includes mayors of the following cities: Bruges (Belgium), Cusco (Peru), Gyeongju (South Korea), Krakow (Poland), Philadelphia (USA), San Miguel de Allende (Mexico), Suzhou (China) and Luxembourg (Luxembourg).

- I promise that, as until now, we will discover and bring the potential of cultural heritage closer to the inhabitants with a sense of dignity and responsibility, but also with positive energy and due diligence. We will do it together with you, remembering that heritage is our common cause, that we are allies for good and for bad in the honourable, though extremely difficult task of saving and developing historical cities. It is an honour for me to do it for my city and its inhabitants. It is a pleasure for me to work among such friends! - emphasised Mayor Jacek Majchrowski. Let us remind you that the 15th OWHC Congress took place in Krakow from 2 to 5 June. More than 400 delegates from five continents participated. The next OWHC meeting will be held in Quebec.