



European Route of  
Historic Gardens  
Itinerario Europeo dei Giardini Storici  
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## GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT TO JOIN THE EUROPEAN ROUTE OF HISTORIC GARDENS (ERHG), CULTURAL ROUTE THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

Mr/Mrs (name of the person), representing the institution (name of the institution), of (address and postal code), whose identification number is (ID number)

### CERTIFIES:

that (name of institution), in its meeting held on (date), reached the following:

AGREEMENT TO AUTHORISE THE PARTICIPATION OF (NAME OF INSTITUTION) IN THE ASSOCIATION "EUROPEAN ROUTE OF HISTORIC GARDENS" (ERHG), CULTURAL ROUTE OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

### Considering that:

1. The Historic Gardens occupy a pre-eminent place within European Cultural Heritage, of outstanding natural, cultural, artistic, and scientific value. Therefore, Historic Gardens are protected under legal heritage brands such as Properties of Cultural Interest and UNESCO World Heritage
2. Equally, the administrations with responsibilities in European municipalities, regions and countries have granted the maximum protection to the Historic Gardens, in their awareness of its importance
3. To combine efforts and to benefit from synergies in the consolidation of a model of conservation and dissemination of the Historical Gardens Heritage in the geographical areas involved, whilst at the same time promoting these places as high-quality cultural tourism destinations, the ERHG was established as an association in 2017
4. Subsequently, the institutions forming the ERHG network initiated the certification procedure to obtain the Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe mention, under the ensemble of Historic Gardens, which was obtained in October 2020
5. A Cultural Route of the Council of Europe is an itinerary that encompasses one or several countries or regions and that is based on a topic whose historical, artistic, and cultural interest is clearly European, either because of its geographic location or because its contents and meaning
6. The European Route of Historic Gardens aims to conserve, improve the knowledge, disseminate, and promote the European Historic Gardens as well as to attract the interest of visitors and tourists
7. The route is formed by European gardens (natural, botanic...) that are known because of their natural, historical, scientific, artistic, and cultural interest, as well as museums or similar centres oriented to promote or support these gardens. These have all been listed as Properties of Cultural Interest and some of them are even recognised as World Heritage by UNESCO.
8. The mention "Cultural Route of the Council of Europe" is the ideal opportunity to disseminate and promote the Historic Gardens belonging to the Association, as this platform grants them visibility at a European and worldwide level.



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9. In accordance with the aims of (name of institution), the above considerations fully match its objectives, interests and activities, and therefore, in the exercise of the responsibilities of (name of institution) and after analysing the above, particularly the general interest of conserving, disseminating and attracting visitors to Historic Gardens' Cultural Heritage, it is deemed advantageous for (name of institution) to take an active part in the ERHG Association and that (names of gardens) should be included within the "European Route of Historic Gardens", Cultural Route of the Council of Europe
10. To take part in this project, (name of institution) believes it should become a member of the Association 'European Route of Historic Gardens', the organisation in charge of the management, coordination and implementation of the activities of the Cultural Route of the Council of Europe

Therefore, the Governing Body of (name of institution), on the proposal of (the corresponding person) and after due deliberation, has reached the following

#### **AGREEMENT:**

First: To express its approval so that (name of Historic Garden) in the (country, region, district, or place) managed by (name of institution) should be included in the "European Route of Historic Gardens, Cultural Route of the Council of Europe"

Second: To authorise the participation of (name of institution) as a full member of the Association 'European Route of Historic Gardens (ERHG)'

Third: To designate (name of person) as the representative to act in the name of (name of institution) in the Association "ERHG" and to carry out all the actions and procedures necessary to make effective the participation of (name of institution) in this Association.

In witness thereof, I hereby issue this certificate in (place) on (date)

Signed by (signature and official stamp):