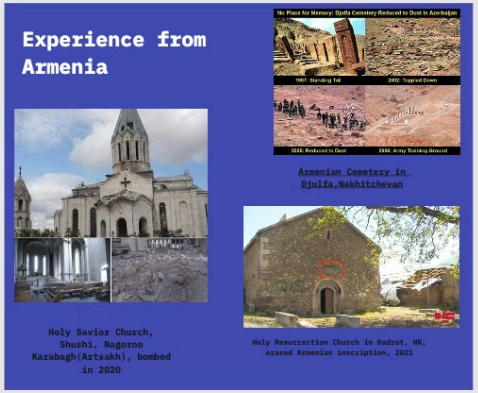
Cultural Heritage in the Shadow of Conflicts

*"**You can never restore a destroyed site to its former glory.** It will always bear the scars of war, of horror and of hate – living reminders of a painful past." (Lebanon)*

Regulatory Framework / References

Experience from Armenia



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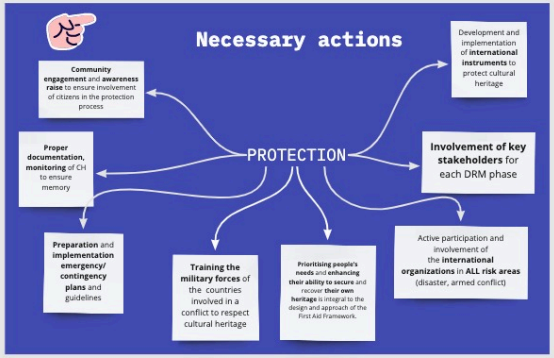
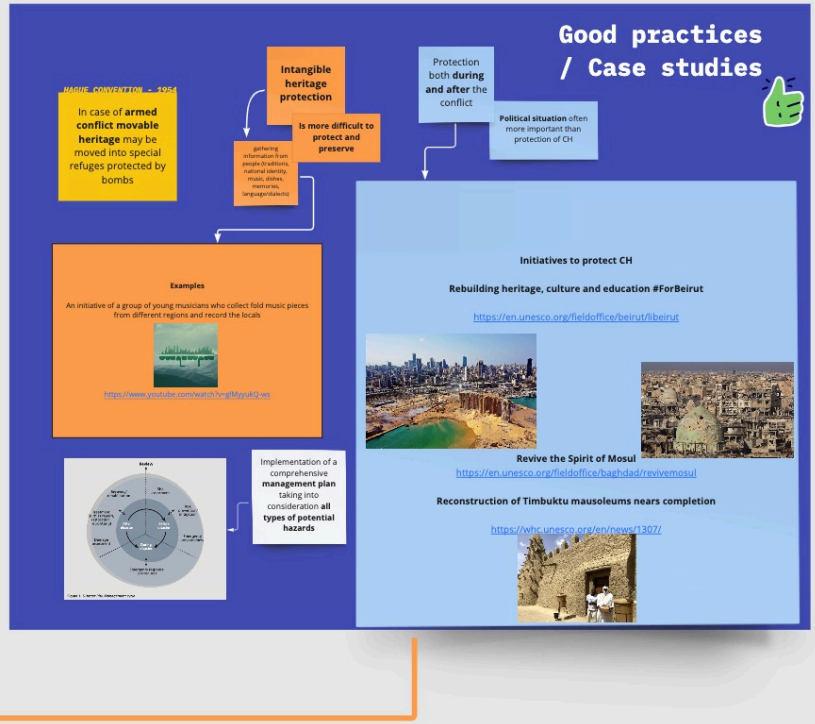
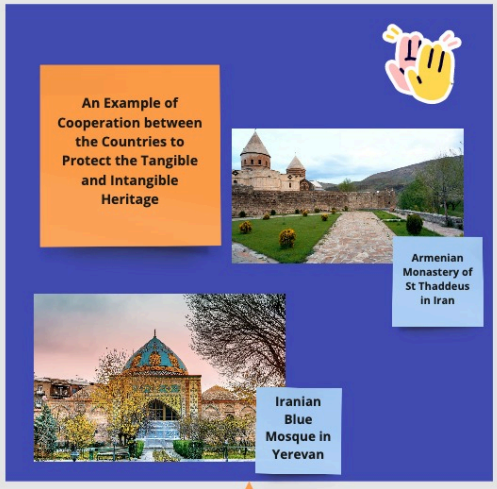


*"**Each rock tells a story... a story of the dignity of people** who lived their lives in this land of civilization." (Syria)*

*"**When you kill a people's culture, you kill their customs and their education.** You delay the building of their future. When you destroy a people's cultural memory, you erase the stories of heroism and bravery upon which they've built their identity over the course of centuries. You completely undermine their resilience to conflict." (Lebanon)*

Good practices / Case studies





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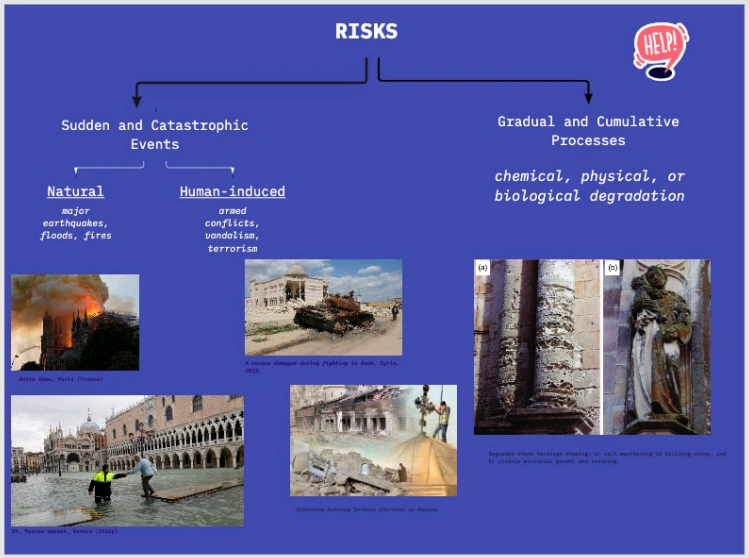

*"Historic monuments, works of art and archaeological sites – known as cultural property – are protected by the rules of war. **Attacks against them** are so much more than the destruction of bricks, wood or mortar. Attacks against them **are in essence attacks on our history, our dignity and our humanity.**"(Syria)*

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