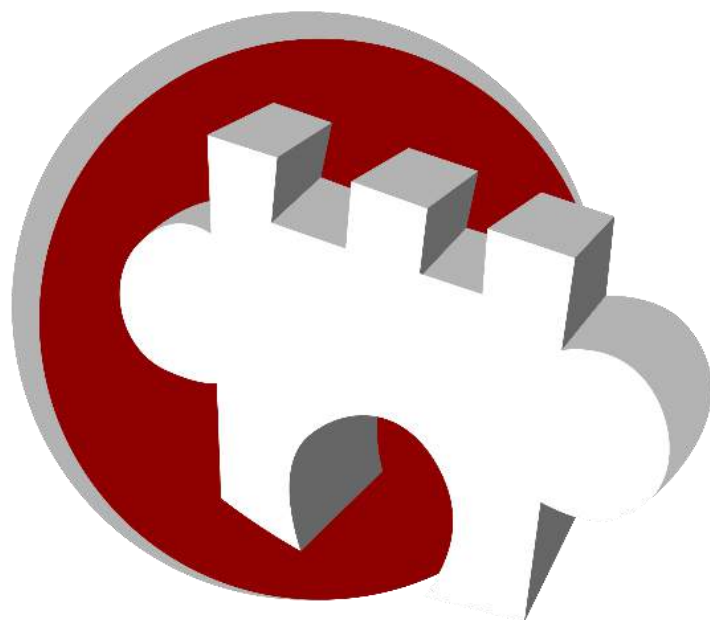


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WIKI **loves**
monuments

The Wikipedia photo contest around cultural heritage

What is Wiki Loves Monuments?



- First edition in 2010
- Held annually in September
- Organised by Wikipedia Community Members & local Wikimedia affiliates/user groups
- www.wikilovesmonuments.org

Who can participate in WLM?



- Anybody!
- “The world’s largest photo contest” (The Guinness Book of Records, 2011)
- 2014 – 308,000 photos submitted by 8,750 participants in 41 countries across the world

Participant countries



Some examples...



- WLM Ireland - www.wikilovesmonuments.ie
- WLM Tunisia - www.wikilovesmonuments.tn
- WLM Algeria - www.wlm.wikimedia-dz.org
- WLM Mexico - www.wlm2015.wordpress.com
- WLM Pakistan - [www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Wiki Loves Monuments Pakistan](http://www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Wiki_Loves_Monuments_Pakistan)
- WLM Italy - www.wikilovesmonuments.wikimedia.it

What does WLM photograph?



- Monuments & statues
- Church-related/religious monuments (e.g. effigies, temples)
- Cenotaphs & memorials
- Fountains
- Graves, tombstones & mausoleums
- Historical landmarks
- Buildings, palaces, bastions, castles etc.
- Images uploaded to Wikimedia Commons - <https://commons.wikimedia.org>



Marco Leiter - Westerheversand Lighthouse
2015 winner



Konstantin Brizhnichenko – Holy Mountains Monastery
2014 winner



David Gubler– A RhB Ge 4/4 II with a push-pull train
crosses the Wiesen Viaduct between Wiesen and Filisur,
Switzerland
2014 winner

How does it work?



- Before the competition starts → participant countries submit a list of monuments listed with the local government/local cultural authorities to the competition's international database using Wikidata
- Each monument is given a unique identification number
- Participants submit photos of the monuments using each monument's unique identification to Wikimedia Commons number **during the month of September**. Photos must be licensed by a CC-by-SA licence (Creative Commons/Share Alike) or equivalent licence.
- National juries in each participant country nominates up to 10 photos for the international award

What is the goal of WLM?



- To highlight relevant heritage sites within a locality/community
- To create a repository of high-quality images of these sites
- To share these images through a free licence, allowing them to be used freely by everybody
- To share knowledge about cultural heritage

But that's not all ... we can build a lot of fancy tools!

Search Monuments

Format:

Start:

Name:

Use filters or search for fuzzy search

Rekening:

Anschrift:

Gemeinde:

Search monuments by country, keyword, municipality and more

Statistics

Start:

Items:

Show helpful statistics for the photo contest



Show monuments on a map



... or walk outside and find monuments with your smartphone

Finally ...



... we are able to deliver the updated and illustrated monuments lists back to our heritage institution partners, free to use.
Let the **free knowledge** flow!



Wiki Loves Monuments Malta



- To be held in Malta for the first time in September 2016
- 1. Collate list of suitable monuments/sites
- 2. Ensure that these sites are present on Wikipedia/Wikipediya
- 3. Improve the quality of the articles for as many sites as possible