

# FROM HERITAGE TO WORLD HERITAGE



- 1** A country signs the **UNESCO World Heritage Convention**. This country can then nominate a heritage site (building or area) for World Heritage.



- 2** Before starting a nomination, the new member first examines **which heritage site** may be eligible for the title of World Heritage Site.



- 3** The country prepares a list of potential World Heritage Sites, which is also called **the tentative list**.



- 4** Then, the new member starts to draw up a **nomination dossier**, explaining what makes this heritage site so unique in the world.



- 5** When the dossier is complete, the Minister takes it to **UNESCO headquarters** in Paris.



- 6** Special experts appointed by UNESCO will **evaluate the dossier**.



- 7** These experts **visit the heritage site** to check whether it meets the requirements.



- 8** The UNESCO World Heritage Committee discusses the nomination of the heritage site and the results of the evaluation at its **annual meeting**.



- 9** The outcome may be: **inscribed** on the World Heritage List, **deferred** (the dossier is not thorough enough and must be modified) or **rejected**.