

HOSTING PROJECTS
Within the EVS Network „Diversity in Europe – EVS in Network“

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2004-BG-21 "The non-formal education - way of learning"

The foundation was created with the aim of having a tool to better access the needs of young people and to give a concrete contribution to satisfy their requests in terms of participation, active citizenship, feeling of belonging to a common Europe, tolerance and antiracism. The main goal of our EVS project is to spread information about mobility European programmes and to sensibly young people to intercultural learning.

We can define two different profiles of volunteer work:

- information and work with young people
- projects about intercultural education

Profile A includes:

1. Interactive meeting in schools, associations, groups to promote Youth Programme and European awareness (preparing the meetings and the information materials, providing information about EU and the Programmes of the European Commission in the field of education, preparing support material like photos, videos, role games and evaluation tools)
2. Organization of activities for young people (organizing cine forum: choosing the topic and the movies, production of posters to inform the audience and a technical sheet about the movie; intercultural events: food, music, dances; workshops: theatre, photography, reading...)
3. Service with the EVS association at the info point giving info on the EU opportunities for youth
4. To establish new partnership with national and international organizations to promote new projects
5. Office work and work on personal project (international contacts, web page management)
6. Linguistic and cultural training

Profile B includes:

1. Projects of intercultural animation in primary schools (activities focussed on the knowledge of the local culture: guided visits, workshops about the learning of topics like history, foreign languages using games and interactive dynamics, workshops on human rights. The volunteers will be guided by a supporting pedagogical team from the hosting organization and will cooperate producing the educational materials and managing the projects)
2. Projects of non-formal education for children in town (summer camps, workshop with disadvantaged children and minorities)
3. Office work and work on personal project (international contacts, web page management)
4. Linguistic and cultural training

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2006-FR-54 "Europe in my region - Networking for diversity, human rights and participation"

The FRMJC is responsible for a network of 30 non-profit organisations dedicated to socio-cultural work and more particularly to youth work. It leads an inter-organisation network to provide educational, legal and financial help to affiliated organisations.

Our motivation to host young volunteers is to carry on our activity leading to open the minds of the young people of the region to the European dimension and to develop a network with various educational actors in the field of youth. The volunteer will often be confronted with youngsters that are not culturally aware, that have low competences in foreign languages and that can have xenophobic attitudes.

The different tasks offered to the volunteers (preferably 2 volunteers) will be as follows (but will be determined in agreement with the interests and capacities of the volunteer):

- Human rights education and European awareness workshops in youth and cultural centres, schools and university (this new perspective will be developed with the volunteer): preparing the workshops, planning and organising, communicating with partners and leading the workshops. (8 hours/week)
- Support and follow up of the regional platform: developing the database of partners, looking for new partners, meeting the various actors of the platform, participating in meetings and events organised in common. (6 hours/week)
- Development of communication tools targeted at young people or partner organisations and concerning our action in favour of diversity, human rights and participation (website, CD-Rom, brochures...).
 - English conversation workshops for youth workers: preparation and leading workshops (4 hours/week)
 - French classes: 2 hours / week
 - Personal project: 4 hours / week
 - Meeting with the responsible of the project: 1 hour / week
 - Meeting with the mentor: 1 hour / week

Other activities:

European seminars for young people in the framework of a joint EVS project within our European network, speaking about his/her EVS experience to various partners, organise and lead training sessions, specific events: day against discriminations, Europe day etc.

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2006-DE-60 Exploring cultural diversity in Saxony-Anhalt

With our participation in the EVS we would like to enable young persons to explore the cultural diversity of Saxony-Anhalt and to take part in it. The volunteers have the opportunity to get to know the possibilities and methods of cultural and international youth work with which comprehension and tolerance between different cultures are strengthened. The concrete tasks of the volunteer within the above mentioned fields of work can be:

1. Implementation of the issues of the European youth campaign for diversity, human rights and participation:

- Research on current information and methods about the European implementation of the campaign
- Prepare small exhibition on this topic to present in the schools or during various events
- Prepare audio-visual presentation or information for our web-page
- Prepare and implement workshops on the campaign

Assisting on various projects of intercultural learning and international youth work: workshops for pupils and young people, bilateral and multilateral youth exchanges, study visits, seminars and training courses:

- Keep contact with partners
- Prepare information for the activity
- To be a part of the organisational team and participate in the activity from the beginning till the end
- To take responsibilities for separate parts of the activity (organising and implementing of cultural events, workshops etc.)
- Work on the documentation (text, photo, video) of the activity

Cooperation by organising local youth events and activities on European issues: the European Day, informative events, project days in school with the subject "Saxony-Anhalt in Europe":

- Prepare information and presentation about the EVS project
- To present EVS project
- To take part in workshops
- In all activities the volunteer needs to have the ability to work individually, but with professional support and guidance. We offer the possibility to learn through own experience and through accompanying / assistance of the professional and try to have a good balance of these both learning aspects.

Our organisation intends to host at least two volunteers at the same time, so they can work on one common project together, sharing ideas and responsibilities.

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3005-DE-10 „LIFE and WORK in the one-world-house“

The main contexts in which the volunteer will be involved during his voluntary year are international youth work and actions and programmes belonging to the Youth Campaign "All different, all equal". The campaign is the main theme of "Eurocamp 2007"- our exchange and training youth program for youngsters coming from all over Europe. At the beginning the volunteer will cooperate with other volunteers in the project.

Further tasks of the youth campaign are:

- Research of aims, content of actions in particular the experiences of our members, partners and local organisations in Saxony-Anhalt
- Develop special ideas and practical works
- Develop basis, information and background materials
- Practice test about "project days with school"- activities developed in a short time in the schools- as well as several actions with our touring exhibition "Adventure Life"

Our interactive touring exhibition "Adventure Life" focuses on the history and the recent migration movement in Europe. Here, youngsters express their opinions about the issue, individual ideas and the present and future backgrounds that migration in Europe and the EU- Enlargement have produced and the chances coming from these processes.

The volunteer gets the possibility to bring in his organisational ideas not only during the project "project-days with schools" taking place in the *einwelt haus* (one world house) but also in other contexts.

If desired, the volunteer can also realize international projects including the preparation, the realization and the wrap-up in order to experience independently many practical working spectrums. It is also possible to participate as a project assistant in our trainings "international youth work" and "project management in international youth work". These include:

- Giving support to the advertising documentation setting and to the application procedures
- Project assistance in the training seminars with other three experienced trainers
- Development of a small work like a workshop or an intercultural study visit working together with a trainer
- Wrap-up and formulation of a printed document together with a trainer

Afterwards and after a proper introduction and preparation the volunteer will take part in our international youth exchange "Eurocamp 2007" supporting us with preparation and motivation of the participants coming from more than 30 countries. For this purpose the volunteer will actually be apart of our international team. Some of the volunteer's tasks are the following:

- Giving support to the advertising documentation
- Editing the information about new projects by E-mail, newsletter and website
- Contact service and active participation in our internet forum, updated chats as well as special offers in our website
- Contribute to program realisation, especially through an offer in the field of theatre, music or internet.
- Contribute by the realization of documentation through photo, video or Internet.

All the important points will correspond to the interests and abilities of the volunteer and will be discussed during the continuous evaluations. So, flexible shifts will be realized also in respect of the activities of the other volunteers.

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2003-GR-13 – „Mediart“

Main activities of PRAXIS are: organise, support cultural activities, run a radio station "Rodon FM", Youth Information Centre in Serres, computer laboratory and do international youth work in the field of culture and media:

1. Electronic Campaigns via computer/internet on sensitive social issues, like: Olympic trace, against social exclusion, protect the environment etc.
 2. Radio Campaigns: via radio spots on air with social messages and Young people express their ideas, music via radio show/broadcast and via blogger.
 3. Computer Lab: (for children/young adults with special needs, playing games, learn basic computer use).
 4. Youth Information Centre
 5. "Praxis" work for International Unesco days: cooperating with all the schools from Serres area.
 6. "Praxis" publishes, created by the volunteers e-magazine, which contains articles, comments and opinions, not only about the main work fields of PRAXIS: culture, media and environment. The volunteer has the chance to write about personal issues. Next to the articles the layout is also designed by the creativity of the volunteer.
- Furthermore we want to give young people the chance to spend their time with creating new things and getting in touch with other young people in order to develop themselves using the new electronic technology.

Two EVS volunteers will work in PRAXIS at the same time. The volunteers will have, next to the supporting of PRAXIS activities, their own task where he/she will develop him/herself through learning new things and where he/she will create the work in their responsibility field.

1st volunteer tasks:

During the first three weeks, the volunteer will get informed of the program and the informative broadcasts for the youth through the "RODON FM" radio station. Our Volunteer will be trained how to handle the control room of the station and the rest of the techno-electronic equipment by a professional radio technician. He/She also familiarizes himself/herself with quality Greek music and/with its different kinds and history during a program broadcasting live every day in the morning. He/she spends one hour every day on practical training concerning the needs of radio broadcasts such as: live recording, telephone interviews etc. After his/her training, he/she will have the responsibility for having his/her own music show promoting the main ideas of the campaign "All different - all equal". Since he/she is now able to operate the control room, he/she is involved in producing and broadcasting social messages, which are written by the whole of the EVS team based on current social issues aiming at raising social awareness.

2nd volunteer tasks:

During the first three weeks the volunteer will get special training in the Laboratory of Informatics and Multimedia in the Computer Laboratory of the Youth information Centre of Serres. He/she will learn how to make a web site and how to update it. Also, they learn how to produce a CD-ROM. They continue to get this special training all the way through their stay in the program considering that they may lack specific knowledge that is required for a task to be realized. After his/her training, they undertake assignments concerning the creation, execution and evaluation of the gathered material, so that it can be processed and produce the final result which is then sent to Municipalities, Prefectures, Communities, Universities and Schools. Specifically, they have the technical and artistic supervision.

Every Monday and Wednesday the volunteers will have 2 hours Greek lessons in a local evening school.

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2006-HU-36 „Diversity in Europe – EVS in Network“

The members of our organization are volunteers, involved in activities like: community development, international youth work, mobile youth information service INF@rmánság, implementation of workshops for youth on project development, youth work, programme organization. In our hosting project the main task of the European volunteer is to make the offer of the mobile youth service more colorful with his own project. He/she will work in a multicultural area where Hungarian, Gypsy and Croatian people live together in small villages.

There two main working areas. Long term project “Mobil akármicsoda”, which aims to establish an active network in Europe on the field of mobile youth work. Volunteers tasks, related to this project can be:
Volunteer will help to find international partners
Keep contacts with them
Prepare short written or visual presentation of the project idea (brochure or small video)

Another project is to join our Info-Service. Together with our volunteers team, the EVS volunteer needs to go in the villages three times a week with the mobile youth service to present opportunities of EVS for young people, to bring the contents of the European Youth Campaign “all different – all equal” closer to young people through visual presentations and workshops on intercultural learning, human rights and participation. He/she will parallel work in our office or/and in other projects (community development training, youth exchange, local action). Together with experienced our members, EVS volunteer can contribute to the development and implementation of social animation workshops for young people.

The mobile informational service has many activities. The volunteer gets the opportunity to try himself in different cases, and projects. The volunteer can join the work of the youth service, which are mobile informational service, social animation, project coordination and management, administration, application writing and community development trainings. Volunteer can also take part in the international and local projects and other initiatives with our partner organisations.

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2005-IT-127 "Cultural promotion in the province of Chieti"

The ARCI Territorial Club of Chieti wants to represent an opportunity of cohesion and free expression for those who are interested in promotion of the social, cultural and civil growth of their territory. For this reason, the club is working on projects concerning art and culture, social inclusion and citizen's rights.

The volunteers will work mostly in the framework of the co-operation with the Cultural Department of the Administration of the Province of Chieti and, in particular, with the Modern Art Museum "Barbella" in Chieti. The role of the volunteers will be concentrated to give an European and intercultural dimension to the activities that ARCI Chieti and the Museum "Barbella" organise in territory and in particular:

- Organisation of didactic workshops with visit modality alternative to the traditional ones, that favour the approach to the museum, to single works or groups of them, through the game, specific process of deepening and manual activities;
- Thematic paths that privilege one particular artistic reading of the collections;
- Guided visit for those teachers who want to know deepen the collections before the visit of the own classes.
- Promotion and collaboration in the preparations of the temporary exhibition that will be realised in the museum

In those activities, the volunteers will be part of a team composed by the responsible of the Museum Barbella, two reference persons of ARCI and the volunteers themselves. In this way the volunteers will be protagonists in all the phases of each single activity: from the idea to the preparation, from the promotion to the practical realisation. Furthermore, the volunteers will work in the cultural promotional activities that ARCI Chieti realises in its territory like, for instance, the Festival "Contaminazioni" on the meeting of the "other" cultures through the organisation in several urban and rural areas of the Province of artistic events (music, multimedia, young artist's exhibition), thematic workshops, seminars.

To satisfy our objectives, we will guarantee to the volunteers:

- a course of Italian culture and language
- A detailed presentation of Arci and its activities (visits to local clubs and to the national head office in Rome will be organized) and with a 20-hour course on ""Youth" Programme" given by the Responsible of International activities in Arci;
- a training on the Italian Museum System and, in particular, on the local framework where there are some innovative experiences in terms of management and involvement of the territory like the Archaeological Park of "Civitella" and the Modern Art Museum "Barbella".
- A mentor, in the person of the Responsible of the International Activities who will support and the volunteers in the carrying out of the activities during the whole service.
- In their free time, they will be given opportunities to integrate into the local community, to meet other young people and to know the territory.
- Weekly evaluation with the volunteers will be organized in order to discuss possible problems both at working and personal level. Coming from their experiences and ideas.

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2006-LT-5 – “all different – all equal in Kursenai”

Most of the projects of the CfCA are targeted to young people (mainly school age) who come from Šiauliai region and specifically Kuršėnai. The presence of and input from foreign volunteers will inspire local youth to be more active in their community. There are two possible tasks for the young volunteers in this organisation.

1st volunteers tasks:

- Coordination and development of work of the local community website (communication and consultation with journalists, support for the technicians of the website, search for new members of the website team, organising the training, creating new ideas for the development of the website and its educational use, organise exhibitions)
- Assistance in organising civic discussions for the local community of Kuršėnai (finding new and important (international) themes, for local community - young people and adults.)
- Meetings with Šiauliai district organisations, interviews about promotion of EU youth campaign „ALL DIFFERENT ALL EQUAL- FOR DIVERSITY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND PARTICIPATION“. Initiation of seminars according the campaign. Trying to support local and regional youth organisations with new methods to promote their activities.
- Looking for new ideas for future projects.

2ndvolunteers tasks:

- Co-work in training of young people who want to be more active and gain leadership skills (project management, non-formal education, implementing small youth initiatives organise different activities, excursions, events, exhibitions, festivals, games, etc).
- A very important fact is also that we are cooperating with a school of disable youth. Here will be a great possibility to help and work with a people who need assistance every day.
- To organise leisure time activities together with other volunteers of CfCA with a focus on tolerance for young people „at risk“.
- Assistance in organising youth exchange projects (support for application process, contacting with partners, organisational details, assistance in implementing the projects).
- Support of youth initiatives, give and gain cultural backgrounds (help in application process, organisational details, implementation and evaluation, cooperation with other youth organisations).

According to their needs, wants and capabilities, the volunteers could create such activities within the organisation:

1. Organise their own youth exchanges
2. Implement a youth initiative or a similar project
3. Organise intercultural learning events for students and local community of Kuršėnai
4. Organise a training for young people or local community of Kuršėnai or Šiauliai Region
5. Other possible activities initiated by volunteers.

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2006 – PL – 70 “All together for equality”

Hosting organisation Gniazdo Association for Helping Children is located in Warsaw, the capital of Poland. The association operates in different districts of the capital and works with children and young people from families in danger of social exclusion because of unemployment, alcoholism and other addictions, low level of education and poverty. “Gniazdo” is a place where a child is given daily support. It is a common room where a unique educational prophylactic and therapeutic program is implemented.

The volunteer will help children and young people to discover and develop their skills, learn from each other how to respect the others and the environment in which they live in and how to cooperate within all different participants of classes.

The volunteer will take part in following activities run by association:

1. Computer classes - two modern and fully equipped computer workshops were established two years ago. Equal opportunities are given: the children are better motivated and able of choosing schools and jobs in the future.
2. Outdoor activities - summer and winter camps, excursions, walking and coach tours
3. Dance/music classes - audiovisual presentations are made: children can learn about different types of dance and music or simply learn how to dance some modern dances.
4. Art/photo classes - each child can experiment new painting techniques (painting on glass, collage etc.) and then present the achievements to broader audience
5. Drama classes - children stage plays, prepare the set and the costumes. Some ideas on general knowledge are presented: children learn about basic concepts of art and drama and Polish culture.
6. Green classes - Our educational programmes focus especially on environmental protection, children learn and become ecologically sensitive. Children can go hiking, visit parks, zoological garden and forests, observe and study the region. They also visit Ethnographic and Archaeological museums. They take care of city green areas, they keep them tidy and clean, they feed the birds and stray animals.

2006 – PL – 69 “Let’s play Europe”

Hosting organisation: Association for Families

The target group of association is children and youth, in danger of social exclusion because of unemployment, alcoholism and other addictions, low level of education and poverty. Association works mainly with children and youth between 3 and 21 years old and their families.

Volunteer will work in Warsaw in daily room, which belongs to association in coordination with the employees from association. Support and help for the volunteer will be available all the time. The staffs have to offer experience in working in youth and knowledge of psychology and pedagogy.

Volunteer will take part in outdoor activities, sport classes, games, Competitions, tourist trips as well as in indoor activities such as artistic and technical workshops. Volunteer will participate in trips and camps organised by association (3 days – 12 days).

Association is open for new ideas in youth work. The volunteer will have all the possibilities for his /her own project to be carried out with support of association (language workshops, movie club etc. depending on personal interest of volunteer). Volunteer with initiative are very welcome.

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2004-RO-27 "Youth Programme in the Youth Hands"

This project will last 9 months, according to work structure of the network. The objectives of the project are:

1. Promoting Youth Programme:

- Searching suitable volunteers for sending
- Searching for and participating to multicultural youth exchanges
- Sharing acquired experience from participation to multicultural youth exchanges
- Initiating partnerships

2. To sustain at local level the European campaign "All different- all equal":

- To provide for a special section for the European campaign on the online publication En-joy www.en-joy.ro
- Editing articles related to the deployment of the campaign "all different, all equal" in Europe, offering information related to the activities and the events organized by the partners and other European Volunteers, attaching photos taken during the campaign and enriching the photo gallery
- Achieving projects / local initiatives based on the three dimensions of the campaign: Youth promoting Dialogue, Youth promoting Participatory Democracy and Youth celebrating Diversity.
- Participating with ideas in the process of creating promotional materials for the deployment of the campaign at local level (posters, flyers, prospectus, inscriptional t-shirts)

3. Learning about journalism in the frame of mass media from a theoretical and practical perspective (being involved in daily activities of a newspaper, radio and TV channel at local level):

- Being involved in summer camps, conferences, seminars about journalism at local / national / European level
- Searching international collaborators for online publication En-joy www.en-joy.ro
- Helping to up-date FJT web page www.fjt.ro
- Helping provide for "Europa" section in the frame of online publication En-joy www.en-joy.ro

The volunteer will work in a team of youth workers but also with young volunteers. One of his tasks will be individual and team learning. He will display his daily activities in an office but also in open air. He will work alongside volunteers and professionals from mass-media field of activity. He will be involved in different types of activities: from establishing contacts with foreign partners to organising and promoting events.

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2006-TR-17 "Younger Minds-Brighter Futures"

The volunteer will work in a combination of three different environments. These environments consist of: a) kindergartens for pre-school children, b) the university and c) our organisation

The tasks of the volunteer will be as the following:

- 1) Educational, cultural, artistic, and sportive activities for kindergarten children, who are the main target group of this project
- 2) Interacting with parents of kindergarten children
- 3) Participating to the meetings and activities of GESOGED
- 4) Working for and interacting with disadvantaged university students
- 5) Working with the project coordinator
- 6) Learning Turkish language and culture
- 7) Training on youth work and education of pre-school children in Turkey and all other necessary activities

The biggest part of the volunteer's time will be used in a kindergarten. The volunteers of the proposed project will be working in four kindergartens. There are two regular kindergartens and two mobile kindergartens (in a big bus). The mobile type is for the children of poor families. The volunteer will work in both types in different days. These kindergartens are named as: 1) Zübeydehanım Anaokulu (see the web site www.zubeydehanimao.com) 2) Kiz Meslek Lisesi Uygulama Sinifi (www.kizmeslek.8k.com), 3) Mithatpasa Anaokulu, and 4) Sabiha Gökçen Anaokulu. There are about 50-150 children in each kindergarten aged 4-6 years old. By helping the teachers of those kindergartens and by organizing their own small projects, the volunteers can make a difference in the lives of the children at hand.

While working in a kindergarten, the tasks of the volunteer will depend on his/her interests and abilities. The possibilities might be the followings: playing games or doing sports with the kids, organising sport competitions, take part in the music activities, read books, help on certain days to maintain the meals, animate and support the kids during the art and craft activities, accompany a member of staff or a volunteer (usually a parent) during trips (e.g. to the zoo, local library), join the groups in gardening activities or help decorating the rooms of the kindergarten. Here s/he can also work out his/her own ideas.

S/he will be also asked to spend some portion of his/her time with members of our organisation and with socially and economically disadvantaged students of higher education as well. The goal in spending time with the latter is to inform university students about Youth program so that they could widely benefit from that program.

We will have two kinds of training program for the volunteers: First, we will provide Turkish lessons taught by an experienced private teacher. And second, we will provide training on education of pre-school children, which will include weekly field trips to other kindergartens and to the institutions where the needy -including children under protection - live in. Throughout this training and their service, the volunteers will gain direct knowledge and experience about the Turkish system of pre-school children's education. The volunteer will have chances to attend several courses on traditional Turkish arts such as Turkish folk dances, Turkish Country music, Turkish handcrafts, Ottoman recipes, Anatolian wearing styles, etc. Furthermore, throughout his/her interactions with university students the volunteer will have many other possibilities of cultural learning. We will create suitable conditions for the volunteer to participate to cultural activities that student groups at the University organize.