



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

CULTURE GOES EUROPE (CGE)
Soziokulturelle Initiative Erfurt e.V.

from 01/06/2016



CULTURE GOES EUROPE (CGE) - Soziokulturelle Initiative Erfurt e.V. is looking for EVS (European Voluntary Service) volunteers between 18 and 30 years old, who can stay from 01.06.2016 up to 12 months in Erfurt (Thuringia, Germany) The application deadline is open until May 01, 2016.

What awaits you in CGE?

We offer the following opportunities:

Expertise in Youth Mobility

- To promote Youth Mobility through EVS and Erasmus+ programs to the young people in Erfurt and Thuringia, including conduction activities in different organizations for raising awareness of volunteerism, its values and benefits (presentations for young people, creating video, brochures, flyers, social media, newsletter) ~60% of the time;
- To get acquainted with the procedures, application, implementation and reporting processes for international activities, exp. Erasmus+ program and beyond;
- To gain experience and knowledge in the diverse areas of project and organization management;

Ongoing seminars and international events for youngsters

- Assisting in implementation of projects and seminars content wise and technically, individual guidance seminar units, depending on the knowledge and interest (establishing contacts with local partners, booking accommodation and catering, preparing training materials, contacting trainers etc.);
- Practical experiences in the group leading and supervising;

Communication / organizational work

- Exchange of information with partner organizations, participants, interested persons, funding agencies, etc. By e-mail, telephone and in direct communication
- Administrative preparation and follow work such as creating and duplication of seminar materials, filling reports etc;
- Information and public relations;

Independent study/project unit

- To initiate and develop your own project or a new initiative. Depending on your interests and previous knowledge, this might be an international youth meeting on a specific subject in which an organization from the country of origin is a partner, or an information session, one-day-project or something completely different.
- To take active part in german lessons and do self-study.

Are you the one we are looking for?

- Proven interest (by combination of school\university subjects or experiences outside, for example in international youth work) in the work and the content focus of CGE Erfurt e.V. (civic education, European politics and culture, democratic culture, human rights education, intercultural meetings, international encounters);
- Commitment and experience in international, intercultural or European policy context;
- Interest in working with new media and media (PC, video, photography, music, web etc.);
- Good computer skills (Windows, Outlook, Excel) and interest / willingness to gain additional knowledge (Internet Content Management, data management);
- Social skills in dealing with the target groups of CGE Erfurt e.V. (e.g. Empathic behavior towards participants of events, sensibility for group dynamics, etc);
- Responsibility and awareness;
- Independence;
- Flexibility and readiness in time-consuming projects (being eager to invest your energy and time);
- Intermediate knowledge of the German language and motivation to acquire the necessary working language skills in a language course.

Perks and benefits:

- Insight into all areas of work, access to wide partner network;
- Professional guiding in your activities, welcoming trainings/events and a friendly support;
- 5-6 working hours per day, usual weekend plus 2 extra days off per month (could be used in a current month or accumulated for a longer vacation/traveling around Germany etc.);
- Fantastic, creative and highly professional team with a great sense of humor and international background. Our managers come from Germany, Philippines, Macedonia, Uzbekistan;
- Cozy office in closed to the city center, with main shopping and cultural opportunities;

- Accommodation in comfortable fully equipped shared-flat (4 EVS volunteers), 10 min walking distances from the office;
- The unique location in the very heart of Germany (Thuringia) with its exiting transformation processes and fascinating touristic attractions;
- Moreover, the European Voluntary Service allows you to learn through non-formal experiences, improve existing or acquire new skills for your personal, educational or professional development!

The EVS voluntary service covers:

- Your travel expenses from where you live to Erfurt and back (return ticket);
- All fees for visa and residence permission;
- Comprehensive insurance (health, accident and liability insurance);
- Free accommodation (a room in an apartment) and food (daily breakfast, lunch and dinner or lunch money);
- Pocket money in the amount of 110 euros per month;
- Food allowance 229 euros per month;
- Participation in on-arrival and mid-term meeting.

If you are interested in being a volunteer, please apply via email by the 1st of May 2016.

Send your application to: evs@cge-erfurt.org

Please, attach your CV and answer the following questions (max. 1 page)

Subject: EVS in CGE

1. Why would you like to work with us?
2. What skills / interests / knowledge would you like to bring in here?
3. What are your strengths?
4. Do you have your own project or idea you would like to implement in our organisation?
5. When can you come and how long do you want to stay with us?
6. What do you expect from your volunteer year?

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Further details about us:

CULTURE GOES EUROPE (CGE) - Soziokulturelle Initiative Erfurt e.V. is a non-profit, non-governmental organization based in Erfurt, founded in 2005 and run by young professionals, who are designing, implementing and evaluating local and international youth projects. CGE Erfurt e.V. has more than 10 years of experience creating educational concepts that allow participants to develop a self-defined strategy of learning in the framework of non-formal education.

Our aims are:

- To develop and implement programs in non-formal education for young people and adults in Erfurt, Thuringia, Germany and Europe
- To convey values like peace, democracy, solidarity and sustainability
- To support active citizenship and the integration of all people despite their social status, origin, skin color, religion, sex etc. In society
- To create active and result-orientated activities; to address problems and challenges of the society in the fields of education, environment, politics, economy, social, law and culture
- To promote participation and entrepreneurship mindset among youngsters
- To support ICT development and integration with education
- To foster intercultural, inter-ethnic and inter-religious dialogue
- To enhance entrepreneurial and opportunity recognition skills of young entrepreneurs
- To assist regional and local authorities in implementation of regional policies on youth empowerment and entrepreneurship
- To carry out research activities on entrepreneurship promotion, sustainability and development
- To actively promote cultural diversity and to fight against racism, discrimination, group-focused enmity and nationalism.

The implementation goes through diverse learning opportunities like training courses, seminars, workshops, study visits, youth exchanges, work camps, volunteer services, symposia, conferences, forums and other formats with local, regional, national, European and other international partners on local, regional, national, European and international level through non-formal education in the fields of:

1. Civic youth and adult education
2. Environmental and outdoor youth and adult education
3. Cultural youth and adult education
4. Intercultural youth and adult education
5. Social youth and adult education
6. Health and well-being
7. Media pedagogic youth and adult education

More detailed about EVS:

All information about the European Voluntary Service can be found on the following websites:

<https://www.go4europe.de/#raus-finden>

http://europa.eu/youth/EU/voluntary-activities/european-voluntary-service_en

The website of our organization: www.cge-erfurt.org

Our accreditation (948632065)

https://europa.eu/youth/vp/organisation/948632065_de