



# WORLD WIDE VILLAGE 2016

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2016 CYPRUS



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## WHO WE ARE & PROJECT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Our NGO, Politistiko Ergastiri Agion Omoloyiton, with experience in youth work since 199 within our local neighbourhood and 9 years of European projects since 2007 (Youth in Action, Life Long Learning, Erasmus +), promotes **Short EVS projects** with the implementation of the **World Wide Village Project** since 2014.

## WHAT

World Wide Village (WWV) is a short term EVS project developed by Politistiko Ergastiri in 2014 for the first time. Since then, there is development and continuation of the project which consists of different activities throughout the year with a number of partner organizations involved. You will have the opportunity to experience the way of living in Cypriot villages by supporting, working and cooperating with the local community, by sharing your skills and knowledge. (FOLLOW THE LINKS BELOW)

[WATCH : World Wide Village 2014](#)

[WATCH : World Wide Village 2015](#)

The short EVS project for August – September 2016 project will host 18 volunteers from 6 different countries within the village of Lysos



<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Lysos,+Cyprus/@34.9962105,32.5083115,16z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m2!3m1!1s0x14e7725c350f1949:0x534546ad8aec73ea> but also in the surrounding villages (Steni and Peristerona villages). The project is about promoting environmental issues, intercultural exchange and active participation in areas where it is needed. Implicating volunteers from countries other than Cyprus will enhance our goals of tolerance, acceptance and awareness of cultural diversity leading to integration and intercultural experiences.

- 2 coordinators from Politistiko Ergastiri will be with the volunteers throughout the duration of the project.
- Volunteers will work in the fields collecting crop (carobs and almonds) but also supporting villagers in work that is needed to be supported with (cleaning, building, watering, taking care of animals)
- Volunteers may suggest implementing cultural activities, such as music events, cinema evenings, dance, EVS promotion events etc, which are especially appreciated and encouraged if they involve the local community and local young people

## WORK CAMP TASKS / WORKING HOURS / FREE TIME

This project will be separated in 4 phases:

- Phase A – On arrival training
- Phase B – Working in the fields/community/nature (beach-forest)
- Phase C – Promoting the local community – going deeper into the culture.
- Phase D – Departure training

You will work for 5 days, and up to 30-35 hours per week. (Some says may be more hours of work some may be less).

You have 2 free days per week, which will vary depending on each week.



## OBJECTIVES AND PRIORITIES

- To empower and train EVS Volunteers and Local youth workers in dealing with cultural diversity, awareness of social issues and promoting employment ideas.
- To encourage EVS Volunteers and Local youth workers to work with concrete aspects of cultural awareness.
- To enhance key competences of the EVS Volunteers and Local youth workers for future international projects.
- The project aims to offer an opportunity to EVS volunteers to visit, work, and participate in events of the local community.
- The project is organized by the volunteers, for the community. The planning of the activities itself has a voluntary character.
- To support the local community with their needs, especially locals who need help in collecting their products.
- To support the local community in promoting their local culture and their environment, and to create visibility in order to attract visitors.
- To encourage the use of creativity as a tool for supporting the local community.

- You will exchange best practices among the youth workers working within a multicultural environment.
- You will have the chance to work with youth, practicing and developing tools and methods

***Be prepared to:***

- Work in the fields from early morning hours for about 20 days of the whole experience.
- Be ready to have hands on experiences with farmers and hard working people.
- work with villagers and learn from them
- produce local products out of fruit
- support villagers in various work occasions
- enjoy nature and the local environment (sea, forest)
- have a group spirit and tolerance, contribute to group activities, living and sharing together for a month
- be committed to the tasks and the program
- respect the village and villagers (respecting the silence and the culture of the village)



## ACCOMMODATION

The main location we will use is in village of Lysos (North west tip of the island, not far from the sea and the forest). Accommodation is provided within the village the project is applied. You may need to share rooms with 4-6 persons. Be prepared to be accommodated in tents when activities require so (beach/ forest activities). The group of 18 persons will not be accommodated all together because of the large number and the restricted accommodation facilities in the village. Details about accommodation will follow but more info shall be given in future information shared.



At the village of Lysos you will be staying in a nice complex of rooms (pictured) with a kitchen that includes all necessary facilities and also a laundry machine. It includes 2 showers and toilets. The premises does not have internet access. There is a coffee shop in the village for your basic needs – but don't expect something fancy! Cypriot hospitality will make up for it though. The locals are very excited



for this project and are waiting to meet you! You will be sharing rooms with up to 4-6 persons. The house is an old agrotouristic renovated building, therefore it is set this in such a way that you will need to share double beds. Part of the group will be accommodated in another location in the village of Lysos or the nearby villages.

## ARRIVAL DETAILS

- ✓ **Arrival date 19th August – Departure date 24<sup>th</sup> September 2016**
- ✓ In order to ensure your smooth transition from the airport to the village it is important to inform us of your final travel details, especially if there are any changes.
- ✓ Details of arriving to the village will be given to you once you book your flights and inform us.
- ✓ You will have to buy your own tickets beforehand. You will be reimbursed after the completion of the EVS project and after we receive all travel documents and receipts. **(Keep with you all the original boarding passes, train and bus tickets etc.s).** Reimbursement will be given up until the costs of travel receipts and not based on the full amount set by Erasmus+ distance calculator.

Weather - check it out e.g. on <http://weather.com/>

August and September are considered to be the hottest months, with mild and humid weather, and an average temperature of 30-35°C. Recommended clothes are light-weight apparel and hats. Make sure to bring along your **sunscreen**, and drink plenty of water! Make sure to bring comfortable clothes and walking shoes with you. For all information on Cyprus, weather etc please visit the official site at <http://www.visitcyprus.org.cy/>

Internet: In the villages we will be working at, there will be very limited access to the internet, **but will be provided at the local coffee shop.**

Electricity: Cyprus has the 240 Volt/ 50 Hz 3 pin electricity plus – so you will definitely need adaptors make sure you bring at least one with you (and your chargers for mobile phones, cameras etc ;-)

[http://www.110220volts.com/Merchant2/kit\\_img/Plug\\_adapter\\_kit517.jpg](http://www.110220volts.com/Merchant2/kit_img/Plug_adapter_kit517.jpg)

Cyprus Time Zone: UTC (or GMT) +2

Cyprus International Dialing Code: +357

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

### MEALS

We will try and accommodate the requirements you mention in your application forms to your organisations. If you require any special meals (vegan, vegetarian, lactose intolerant, other food allergies or special diet due to metabolic or religious reasons) **please let us know** if you have not already. We are planning the meals in advance and it will not be possible to switch to a different menu. Lunch will mostly be provided but breakfast (ingredients will be provided) and dinner will be arranged by you as a group or individuals. You will receive an allowance for this. All meals are to be arranged by the group (self managed) during free days.

You will also have the chance to prepare your own meals at your accommodation places. So prepare to cook!!!!

### PERSONAL INSURANCE

Each volunteer is covered by **cigna insurance** . ***It is the responsibility of your sending organisation to issue the insurance. Please bring your insurance codes and number with you!***

Insurance cover for personal effects is the responsibility of the individual participant. You are strongly recommended to insure your personal effects for the whole period of your absence from home. Neither Politistiko Ergastiri nor any venue used during the event can entertain claims against loss of, or damage to personal property. You are recommended to ensure that you have adequate medical insurance to cover the period of your stay in Cyprus. We recommend arranging EU health insurance card and taking it with you. Nevertheless is best that you contact your health insurance or travel agency for more details, as we assume no liability that EU health insurance card is enough. **Insurance is your responsibility.**

## CURRENCY & PERSONAL SPENDING MONEY

Cyprus is part of the **euro zone**. You will need to bring sufficient pocket money for personal expenses and drinks in the evenings since according to the programme it might be difficult to arrange visits to banks during their opening hours. You can use your credit card (visa, MasterCard etc.) almost everywhere, please note that there could be limitations when using ATM machines.

## TRAVEL & OTHER COSTS

You will have to buy your tickets beforehand. You will be reimbursed after the completion of the EVS project and after we receive all travel documents. You will receive an allowance of 132 Euros.

You will also receive an extra amount **100 Euros** for food costs (as a group you will prepare your own meals). During **working days** you will be offered **lunch**, prepared from the villagers.

### Limit of Travel Costs (from your home and back to it) per volunteer

Slovenia – max 275 Euros

Spain – max 530 Euros

Italy – max 275 Euros

Portugal – max 530 Euros

France – max 360 Euros

Greece – max 275 Euros

(have in mind that for your travel you may need about 20 euros for traveling from airport to the village and back, so deduct it from the limit)

## To-bring list

- Towels & Toiletries (also any medication you may need)
- Shoes & Long trousers for working in the fields
- Hat for the sun & Sunscreen (high protection)
- Mosquito repellent & cream for mosquito bites
- Camera & Laptop + video editing software (if you have) and the chargers!!
- Driving Licence & Student ID (if you have one)
- Some music, a movie or an object with a special meaning to you
- Water flask (to keep yourselves hydrated!) & Torch & swim suit!!! <- VIP :)
- Warm jacket/coat (it can get chilly at night)
- Musical Instruments (e.g. Guitar) or some nice games we can play!
- Your good attitude and special energy ☺

## CYPRUS TRANSPORT:

You have the choice of 4-wheel drive, or 4-leg "drive" !!



## CONTACT INFORMATION

### EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS WHILE IN CYPRUS:

Pan-European emergency number: **112**

Police Department: (+357) 22 802020

Police – Citizens line: 1460

Lefkosia Hospitals: (+357) 22 603000, (+357) 22 405000

Fire Department: (+357) 22 802150

We are looking forward to meeting you and to work with you.

The organisers of World Wide Village look forward to welcome you in Cyprus!

Have a safe trip and see you soon 😊

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*Facebook Group*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1149745711713459/>



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\*Preliminary schedule follows.



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## August 2016

### Draft program of days

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
August - September						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Arrival	Adjusting	On arrival Training	Free day	Working day	Working day	Working day
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
Working day	Working day	Free day	Free day	Working day	Working day	Working day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Working day	Working day	Working day	Free day	Free day	Working day	Working day
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Working day	Working day	Free day	Free day	Working day	Working day	Working day
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Working day	Free day	Free day	Free day	Free day	Working day	Working day
23	24					
Closing Training	Departure					