

Project details

Code: SIW-1801-18**Date:** 2018-08-12 / 2018-08-26**Total places:** 1**Age:** 18 - 30**Name:** Fairtransport 'Den Helder'**Type of work:** Manual work (MANU) - Environmental (ENVI)**Country:** PAISES BAJOS**Location:** DEN HELDER, NOORD-HOLLAND**Address:** Den Helder, Noord-Holland**Email:****Phone Number:****Web:****Fee:** 25.0 EUR**Languages:** English

Description

Partner:

Our partner, Fairtransport Shipping and Trading, is situated in Den Helder at the most northern point of the province of Noord-Holland, which is surrounded by water on the north and west side. In 2007, three friends began a shipping company here. They wanted to create the world's first modern emission free shipping company, based in the Netherlands. The prime goal of Fairtransport is to sail cargo in an emission-free way. They try to focus on special products, such as olive oil, wine and rum, which are produced or crafted in a traditional manner. By setting up this company they wanted to raise awareness about the huge amounts of pollution that is created by the modern shipping industry and to impact the way in which goods are transported around the world in a positive way.

Work:

This project is specially put together for the rough and the tough. In cooperation with the Dutch crew of Fairtransport, the volunteers will work on the maintenance of the 32-meter schooner Tres Hombres. This type of ship was first used in the early 20th century. During the maintenance, we use tar which gives a persistent smell that the volunteers will carry with them. The work for this project will be hard and the volunteers should expect long working days. However, in the end it will all be worth it because the volunteers are given the opportunity to work on a secular ship and imagine themselves to be part of the Dutch Golden Age.

Accommodation and food:

Volunteers will stay in basic accommodation near the Fairtransport grounds or on the ship itself. Participants need to bring their own sleeping bags.

Location and leisure:

Together with the camp leaders the volunteers will discuss the recreational program. Den Helder historically is home to the country's main naval base and, additionally, it has a beautiful dune landscape with low dune tops, a dune lake, dune valleys and forests, which form an ideal environment for special plants and birds.

Requirements:

The work can be physically demanding.

Additional information

Location:

Den Helder, Noord-Holland

Remarks

Requirements

Due to the nature of the work a motivation letter is required

Safety boots (Obligatory! Every person working on the ship is required to wear them, therefore you will NOT be allowed to work on the ship when you fail to take them with you

Old/working clothes

Sleeping bag

Towel, bathing/suit

Rubber boots

High top sneakers

Rain is spread out over the year, so bring warm clothes

How to get

Airport: AMS

Bus/train station: Den Helder

Project details

Code: SIW-1802-18 **Date:** 2018-07-21 / 2018-08-04 **Total places:** 1 **Age:** 18 - 30

Name: Refugee center 'Emmen'

Type of work: Social project (SOCI) - Cultural (CULT) - Work with kids (KIDS)

Country: PAISES BAJOS

Location: EMMEN

Address: Emmen

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 25.0 EUR

Languages: English, French

Description

Partner:

The location of the project is the Refugee Center Emmen. Emmen is a city of about 60.000 inhabitants in the province of Drenthe in the northern part of the Netherlands. This refugee center (in Dutch: ?AZC Emmen?) has a capacity for about 400 refugees. This particular place is a location for families with under age children whose application for asylum has been denied by the Dutch government. These families will in time return to their homeland.

Our partner is the Central Agency for the Reception of Asylum Seekers (in Dutch: COA). The COA provides accommodation during the asylum procedure and prepares asylum seekers for staying in the Netherlands, returning to their country of origin or transmigration. At the moment COA manages about 100 centers in the Netherlands. COA is an independent administrative body funded by the Dutch Ministry of Justice.

Work:

The project takes place in the refugee center in Emmen which is a location for families with children. The children you will be working with are between 4 and 12 years of age. These children participate in a school program, but during the months of July and August, there is the summer holiday break. The volunteers will then organise activities for and with the children. This type of work calls for creative people who can make up all sorts of games from scratch to play with the children: music, sports, arts, language sessions, creativity, etc. Therefore the content of this project is up to you and the other participants. The games are scheduled throughout the week.

Accommodation and food:

Volunteers will stay at a campsite. You will need to bring your own tent, sleeping bag and mattress. There are cooking facilities in a cooking tent and the group will cook for themselves. The center will provide bikes for every volunteer to ride between the campsite and the Refugee Center (including bikeride lessons). Volunteers will bring a packed lunch to the worksite.

Location and leisure:

Of course there will be sufficient free time. Together with your camp leaders you will discuss the recreational program. Emmen is an attractive city with lots of activities in the summertime. You can visit places nearby and explore the surroundings.

The area is declared a UNESCO-Geopark by the United Nations. Emmen is very well accessible by train and bus. Biggest attraction is the new theme park Wildlands Adventure Zoo (opened in 2016).

Requirements:

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Additional information

Location:

Emmen

Remarks

Requirements

In order to participate in this project the volunteers have to sign the code of conduct stating that they will respect the refugees

Due to the nature of the work a motivation letter is required

At least an intermediate level in English. Understanding of any other language (e.g. French or Arabic) is greatly appreciated.

Sleeping bag, tent and sleeping mat.

Old working clothes and shoes

Rain is spread out over the year, so bring warm clothes, a raincoat and a swimming suit!

How to get

Airport: SPL

Bus/train station: Emmen railway station

Project details

Code: SIW-1803-18

Date: 2018-08-18 / 2018-09-01

Total places: 2

Age: 18 - 30

Name: State Forestry – 'Oudemolen'

Type of work: Environmental (ENVI)

Country: PAISES BAJOS

Location: OUDEMOLEN

Address: Oudemolen

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 25.0 EUR

Languages: English

Description

Partner:

The Drentsche Aa? area is a varied old cultural landscape, shaped by age old interplay of agriculture and nature. The Drentsche Aa? is also the name of the stream that meanders through this area and creates a typical landscape that is declared National Park. It includes 16 authentic villages. The partner in this project is the Dutch State Forestry, commissioned by the Dutch government to manage a large part of the nature reserves in the Netherlands. In 2018 it will be the 11th anniversary of this project in Oudemolen, so project Oudemolen is almost part of the region?s collective memory. This certainly counts for the locals residents who have shown a lot of interest in the volunteers and, in some or onother way, will always be involved in the project. Volunteers can count on a warm welcome.

Work:

The participants will do different activities of nature protection like cutting, dredging, pilling up the paths, haymaking and light construction work. You will also work together with other local people who do voluntary nature work. The local rangers are very supportive and looking forward to host you in their beautiful area. ?The Drentsche Aa? has been nominated most beautiful landscape of the Netherlands.

Accommodation and food:

Volunteers are expected to bring their own tent, airbed or matress and sleeping bag. You will stay at the beautiful situated private campsite of the State Forestry location Oudemolen. The group will cook for themselves in a barn that is equipped with all cooking facilities. There is one shower and one toilet. Bicycles will we provided, this will be your transportation to the various worksites.

Location and leisure:

Of course, the camp leaders and partner organisation will encourage the volunteers to put forward their own ideas for a recreational program, but in this project it is also a tradtion that activities are being suggested and/or organised by State Forestry, e.g. a 'mudwalking' tour on the ?bottom? of the Wadden area; a Unesco World Heritage Site because of the worlds largest area of intertidel sand and mudflats. A unique experience! Other activities during the week can be swimming, bicyling, visiting the flourishing city of Groningen or the Westerbork transit camp (where Anne Frank was prisoned). Leisure time will also be spent on the theme: "Sustainability: Create before it's too late!". Besides, volunteers are being encouraged to lay contact with the local community.

Requirements:

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Additional information

Location:

Oudemolen

Remarks

Requirements

Tent, an airbed/mat and sleeping bag

Old/working clothes

High top sneakers (needed for mud walking)

Rubber boots (working fields can be very muddy!)

Rain is spread out over the year, so bring warm clothes, a raincoat and a swimming suit!

How to get

Airport: SPL

Bus/train station: Groningen railway station

Project details

Code: SIW-1804-18

Date: 2018-08-12 / 2018-08-26

Total places: 1

Age: 18 - 30

Name: Emmaus 'Haarzuilens'

Type of work: Social project (SOC) - Festival (FEST)

Country: PAISES BAJOS

Location: HAARZUILENS

Address: Haarzuilens

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 25.0 EUR

Languages: English

Description

Partner:

Our partner, Emmaus Haarzuilens, is situated in the small, beautiful neighbourhood of Haarzuilens. It is very close to Utrecht and to the Castle of Haarzuilens. Emmaus Haarzuilens is a living - work community for former homeless people and others who strongly feel related to Emmaus ideology, which is about bringing back value to second hand objects and self-esteem to people that have faced difficulties. All the people who live at Emmaus work at the second hand store that also includes recycling. The money earned by doing this work is used to finance the community and also for supporting international social projects.

Volunteers will not only work, but also live together with the inhabitants of Emmaus Haarzuilens. We thereby want to emphasize that living together also means preparing and eating the meals together and do some cleaning and light house work. It also means that volunteers are expected to live by the rules of Emmaus; following the Emmaus philosophy and considering the background of some of the Emmaus residents, use of drugs and alcohol is prohibited during all projects. Alcohol drinks could be allowed during the evening and weekends, but only when discussed with the staff.

Work:

This project will take place in cooperation with Emmaus Haarzuilens where the volunteers will live and work together with the residents of Emmaus. The volunteers will help out at the second hand store, which includes picking up second hand goods and placing them in the shop. Together with the residents, the volunteers will organize a summer market at the end of August. Volunteers will help with the set-up and break-down of the festival and the organization of a fashion show to present the second hand clothes that are for sale. The income from this sale is fully used to support a chosen special project. Besides this work, volunteers will also help with maintenance work on the grounds of the community (washing dishes and helping out with the cooking).

Accommodation and food:

Volunteers will stay in comfortable accommodation at the Emmaus grounds. Beds are provided, but participants need to bring their own sleeping bags. They will cook and eat together with the residents of Emmaus.

Location and leisure:

Together with the camp leaders the volunteers will discuss the recreational program. For example, they can explore the beautiful historical city center of Utrecht by bike. But also, to climb the Dom Tower, go canoeing on the canals or visit other places in The Netherlands.

The camp leaders will have some ideas, but of course it is possible for the volunteers to put forward their own ideas for this program! Leisure time will also be spent on the theme: "Connect with the local community!". During this activity, the participants will interact with the local communities, learn more about the SDG's on sustainability, share their cultures and views on the environment with each other and have fun!

Requirements:

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Additional information

Location:

Haarzuilens

Remarks

Requirements

Motivation letter required, due to the specific rules and motivation of the residents

At least an intermediate level in English

Sleeping bag

Rain is spread throughout the year, so bring warm clothes, a raincoat and a swimming suit!

Mosquito repellent, as the location is situated next to the water there are a lot of mosquitoes.

How to get

Airport: SPL

Bus/train station: Utrecht railway station

Project details

Code: SIW-1806-18 **Date:** 2018-08-20 / 2018-09-02 **Total places:** 1 **Age:** 18 - 30

Name: The Dutch Championship Horse Riding

Type of work: Manual work (MANU)

Country: PAISES BAJOS

Location: ERMELO

Address: Ermelo

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 25.0 EUR

Languages: English

Description

Partner:

The royal Dutch Hippique Sport Federation (in Dutch: KNHS), situated in Ermelo, is with over 180.000 members on of the largest sports federations of the Netherlands. Eight disciplines of the horse riding sport are combined; dressage, jumping, eventing, endurance, carriage driving, voltige and reining. The KNHS looks after the interests of everyone who is active in the equestrian sport from recreational to the international level.

Work:

The project will take place during the Equestrian Championship ?Hippiade? 2018 that is organised at the beginning of September. The volunteers will help out with the construction of the different competition courses and fields. They will assist by logistic and organisational activities during the event. At the project location, especially during this Championships, there will be a lot of beautiful horses present. However, the work does not include working directly with the animals. They are taken care of by their owners and grooms.

Accommodation and food:

Volunteers stay at the KNHS centre in a dormitory with beds. There are no sheets so volunteers should bring their own sleeping bag. There?s a small apartment on the grounds of KNHS that serves as the communal space for the group volunteers. There?s also a kitchen inside of this apartment for the volunteers. They will prepare their own meals and eat together.

Location and leisure:

Together with the camp leaders the volunteers will discuss the recreational program. For example they can explore the city of Ermelo by bike, visit a museum or other places in the Netherlands. The camp leaders will have some ideas, but of course it is possible for the volunteers to put forward their own ideas for this program! Leisure time will also be spent on the theme: "Sustainability: Create before it's too late!".

Requirements:

Requirements

Sleeping bag

High top sneakers

Rain is spread throughout the year, so bring warm clothes, a raincoat and a swimming suits

The work can be physically demanding.

Additional information

Location:

Ermelo

Remarks

Requirements

Sleeping bag

High top sneakers

Rain is spread throughout the year, so bring warm clothes, a raincoat and a swimming suits

How to get

Airport: AMS

Bus/train station: Ermelo railway station