

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 103-18      **Date:** 2018-07-15 / 2018-07-29      **Total places:** 2      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** FRIENDLY HOSPITALITY HOUSE

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Environmental (ENVI)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** SKALKKA U DOKS

**Address:** SKALKKA U DOKS

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp is held for 3rd time in a little village of Skalka u Doks in Northern Bohemia in cooperation with the local NGO The Friendly Hospitality House . Its name refers to the ancient tradition of mutual help of pilgrims. They focus on revival of natural, cultural and spiritual heritage and on personal and community development. They own and renovate a traditional rural house which will one day become a facility for pilgrims, neighbours and volunteers. One part of the house has already been renovated using techniques of natural architecture. The intention is to create a welcoming cultural and crafts centre. This workcamp aims to restore relations between the place and its inhabitants, both of today and the past, mutual understanding and respect.

### Work:

The work will be manual and sometimes demanding, it will take place at several locations. In Skalka u Doks the tasks can include: renovation and cleaning of the house, working in a permacultural garden, transporting wood from the forest for winter, maintaining public areas according to the needs of the municipality. In the nearby village of Borejov you will clean the church and prepare it for a special St. Jacob s pilgrim mass, clean the cemetery surrounding the church (especially the abandoned graves of the ancestors of the inhabitants displaced after WWII) and renovate a wall. Finally, you will work in protected meadows where you will rake grass to protect biodiversity in the area. Bring solid work shoes, clothes that can get dirty and a raincoat. All the tasks will depend on the current needs and weather.

### Accommodation and food:

In the main building of the traditional house that is under reconstruction, so the conditions are basic. You will sleep on mattresses, but you need to bring your own sleeping bag. There are 2 showers, a washbasin, toilets and an equipped kitchen. You will prepare your own meals as a group; you are invited to prepare a traditional dish from your country when it s your turn in kitchen. Bring simple recipes from home. It s also possible to use the outdoor fireplace.

### Location and leisure:

A small village of Skalka u Doks (170 inhabitants) and its neighbourhood. The village is located in a Protected Landscape Area near the Macha Lake which is a popular tourist attraction. If we work at more distant places, transport by car will be arranged. Leisure time: Visiting beaches of the Macha Lake, evening activities on the beaches and in the town of Doksy, visiting castle of Houska and Bezdez, hiking in the countryside, mushroom and blueberry picking, a barbecue, a party at a fisherman s cottage on the banks of the Macha Lake with a steamboat cruise at sunset. There will be 2 free Saturdays available for a one-day trip.

### Requirements:

This workcamp is perfect for curious, open-minded and hard-working people or those who are motivated to be. Please get ready to share your experience and opinions. Allergies notice: there are 2 big dogs living in the house (it is strictly forbidden to feed them).

**Additional information**

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**Location:**

SKALKA U DOKS

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG

**Bus/train station:** Duba

## Project details

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**Code:** SDA 104-18      **Date:** 2018-07-21 / 2018-08-04      **Total places:** 2      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** GET INVOLVED IN ODOLENA VODA

**Type of work:** Environmental (ENVI) - Construction (CONS)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** ODOLENA VODA

**Address:** ODOLENA VODA

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

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### Partner:

The workcamp takes place in a small town of Odolena Voda in cooperation with the local municipality. The town hall aims at creating good conditions for living, working, spending free time and enjoying the environment for its inhabitants. The main focus is on landscape regeneration and leisure time activities, such as social and cultural events or sports facilities. The aim of the workcamp is to help with the renovation of the public space in the town, to create new play structures for children and maintain the local nature reserve. This year, the workcamp will be organized for the 4th time.

### Work:

The work will be manual and can be physically demanding. The tasks can include creating simple play structures for children from natural materials and maintenance of public areas (painting of fences, repairing benches, etc.). You will also work in the local nature reserve (former pastures) which needs to be maintained in order to protect rare species of plants and make the place attractive for locals. You will remove invasive bushes, prune and process branches, collect garbage and build simple play structures and benches. A lot of work will be done outside, please bring solid shoes.

### Accommodation and food:

In the local primary school. A kitchen, a bathroom and the gym will be available. You will sleep on mattresses in classrooms or the gym. Please, bring your own sleeping bag and a light mat. You will cook your own meals as a group.

### Location and leisure:

A small town of Odolena Voda (population of 6000 inhabitants), at approximately half an hour from the outskirts of Prague by bus. Leisure time: You can visit the local church, fortress and museum; go on a hiking trip to close-by volcanoes, a trip to Prague, to the Veltrusy castle or a cycling trip to the town of Melnik. There is a possibility to use the community sports facilities for playing basketball, volleyball and beach volleyball and tennis. There is also a natural swimming pool.

### Requirements:

The workcamp is suitable for volunteers who like working manually outdoor. Some work tasks will involve minor construction so you can use your skills or learn new ones. Moreover, if you like literature (prose or poetry reading), it is a perfect choice for you.

## Additional information

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### Location:

ODOLENA VODA

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Odolena Voda

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 105-18      **Date:** 2018-07-22 / 2018-08-05      **Total places:** 1      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** VOLUNTEERS IN HARRACHOV

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Festival (FEST)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** HARRACHOV

**Address:** HARRACHOV

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp is held in the town of Harrachov in collaboration with the local town hall. Harrachov, located in Giant Mountains, is a renowned centre of tourism and mainly winter sports. The town is known for organizing ski jump competitions, there are several ski jump ramps in the area. Lately, active local citizens have been trying to boost the community life in Harrachov, which is why they decided to invite foreign volunteers to the town for the third time. This year, the aim of the workcamp is to help with organizing a traditional Woodcarving festival in the local park. You will also work in other public areas according to the current needs.

### Work:

A traditional cultural event called Woodcarving will take place again in Harrachov. On Different artists will meet and create wooden sculptures. You will be engaged in organizing this event, construction of the stage and stands, moving the sculptures etc. Please be prepared that most of the work will be done in any kinds of weather so it is recommended to bring waterproof clothes and solid shoes, preferably also raincoats. For the rest of the workcamp, you will work in different public areas. The work will be manual and will not be very physically demanding. The tasks can include: cleaning and removing material, painting, gardening, transporting soil, maintaining sports grounds, working in the forest. Study part: You will have a chance to get involved in local events, visit local craftsmen, meet local sportsmen and organize an international evening.

### Accommodation and food:

On the first floor of a family guesthouse (three rooms, common room, kitchen, two bathrooms, outdoor fireplace). Bring your own sleeping bag. Attention, the family of the owner lives on the ground floor Volunteers will prepare their own meals as a group.

### Location and leisure:

Harrachov town (about 1,600 citizens) in the north-east of the Czech Republic. The town is a border crossing to Poland. It is located in a beautiful mountain scenery of Giant Mountains. Leisure time: Hiking in the Giant Mountains, a trip by a cogwheel train on Czech-Polish border, chair lift ride to the Devil s Mountain, doing sports, visiting a music festival, excursions to the glass factory or a brewery, doing barbecue etc.

### Requirements:

This workcamp is perfect for nature-lovers and everyone interested in hiking and sports. Due to living in a house with a host family you will have a unique opportunity to experience local culture and customs, at the same time we ask you for respectful behaviour. Smoking is strictly prohibited in the whole house.

## Additional information

### Location:

HARRACHOV

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Harrachov

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 106-18      **Date:** 2018-07-30 / 2018-08-11      **Total places:** 1      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** RENOVATE ART CENTRE IN PRAGUE AND BEYOND

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Art type (ART)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** BUDCICE

**Address:** BUDCICE

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

Studio ALTA is a multicultural space and a creative hub focused on contemporary dance. Located in four industrial halls with a total area of 1800 square meters, you will find a theatre, two rehearsal rooms for artistic research and creative workshops, ateliers, and shared offices. The artistic program of Studio ALTA emphasizes courageous and innovative pieces that encourage engagement, creativity, sharing, and an open minded and constructive dialogue. The theatre is closed during summer and needs to be prepared for the next season. Studio ALTA also renovates an old campsite in the countryside which will serve as a residency for artists in the future. The aim of the workcamp is to help to renovate both places and connect volunteers with the team of Studio ALTA.

### Work:

The work will be manual and it will take place both indoors and outdoors. During the 1st week you will work in an old campsite by the Sazava River which will serve as a residency for artists in the future. The tasks will include: repairing tile path, cleaning, repairing and painting gutters, scratching and repairing paint on cottages (walls and roofs), repairing wooden parts of windows, renovating the drive way and rivers banks, creating the river pier, mowing and raking grass etc. Then you will move to Prague to work in an art centre Studio ALTA. The tasks can include: painting walls in the theatre, cleaning, installing lights, planting bushes, flowers and herbs in the courtyard, repairing furniture, repainting the outside navigation signs etc. Bring some comfortable working clothes which can get dirty. Any DIY skills are welcome. Study part: Look behind the scenes and learn what is necessary to run a theatre, studios and the entire community center. Every morning, we offer regular warm-up exercises with a professional lecturer (physical activities strengthening your body and mind). If you are interested, you can take classes of Afro dance, ballet or improvisation. A tour in Prague guided by the locals can be arranged as well.

### Accommodation and food:

In Prague, accommodation will be arranged in one of the halls of Studio ALTA (100m2) i please, bring your own mat, a sleeping bag and a pillow. 1-2 showers and 4 toilets are available. In the cafe, there will be an improvised kitchen where you can cook. In the campsite, volunteers will sleep in wooden cottages; there are 2 showers and dry toilets. You will prepare meals together as a group. Once a week there will be a common meal prepared by the local partner.

### Location and leisure:

Location: The village of Budcice and Prague - Holesovice. The village of Budcice is a small village (41 inhabitants) by the Sazava River, surrounded by beautiful countryside. Prague - Holesovice is an attractive part of Prague with active alternative cultural scene. It is a place where young creative people such as artists, designers or cafe owners are currently based. Studio ALTA is located in a large industrial complex bordering both active urban zone and the biggest park in Prague. Leisure time: A ping-pong table is available in Studio ALTA; in Stromovka Park close to the center you can walk on a slackline, do different sports, go jogging, take a sunbath or play board games. You can also go to a theatre, cinema or visit a concert. It is also possible to go for a trip outside Prague (have a barbecue or bath in a lake). Right next to ALTA, there are two climbing walls (rope and boulder), a swimming pool etc. While at the campsite, you can go hiking, visit nearby castles, pick berries and mushrooms in the forest, go canoeing, play football or volleyball. In the evening, you can sing by a bonfire (music instruments are welcome).

**Requirements:**

This workcamp is mainly for people who are interested in culture and arts. We welcome responsible, skillful and independent people, who can sensitively combine work and fun. We prefer communicative and courageous people who can easily fit into new environments and collectives. People only interested in visiting Prague are advised to choose another type of program. Please send a short motivation letter with your application with your motivation for joining the project and work with us in Studio ALTA. Thank you  
Note: There is a cat called Cica living in the Studio ALTA (in case you are allergic).

**Additional information**

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**Location:**

BUDCICE

**Remarks**

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Motivation Letter needed

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Budcice



## Project details

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**Code:** SDA 204-18

**Date:** 2018-07-17 / 2018-07-29

**Total places:** 2

**Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** JEWISH HOLESOV

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Cultural (CULT)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** HOLEOV

**Address:** HOLEOV

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

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### Partner:

The workcamp takes place in Holesov, a small Moravian town, known for its large pre war Jewish community. The community was wiped-out during World War II and has only very few members today. There is an important synagogue and also a grave of one of the biggest Jewish scholars i rabbi Sach. The workcamp supports the work of the Cultural Centre of Holesov which maintains the local Jewish cemetery and other Jewish monuments in the town and organizes the festival of Jewish culture called Jewish Culture Festival which will take place during the workcamp. The aim of the workcamp is to maintain the Jewish cemetery, to help organize the festival and to get to know the local culture.

### Work:

You will work at the local Jewish cemetery and in the Sach synagogue (about 90 of working time) where you will help to maintain outdoor areas. The work can include cleaning of pavements, weeding, working with brush cutter, cutting and raking grass, maintaining graveyards, etc. Furthermore, you will prepare the Jewish Culture Festival which takes place in Holesov during the workcamp (10 of working time). Bring suitable working clothes with you. The work might be physically demanding, weekends are usually working days (because of the festival) but you will get days off during the week. Study part: You can learn more about Jewish culture, visit local monuments and see concerts, performances and films during the festival. You will have a chance to meet local community during a barbecue in the garden of a local castle or at a traditional lunch with the representatives of the town. It is also possible to prepare some activities with and for the local community (such as visiting a summer camp for children or a community centre for seniors).

### Accomodation and food:

In a hostel in the centre of Holesov. There are beds but you have to bring your own sleeping bags. You will prepare your own meals as a group.

### Location and leisure:

Holesov, a middle-sized town with around 12.000 people in the south-east of the Czech Republic Leisure time: Trips to sights of interest in the region (e.g. UNESCO site of Kromeriz, pilgrimage hill of Hostyn, open-air museum etc.), free entrance to cultural activities organized by the local cultural centre, free access to the local swimming pool.

### Requirements:

Volunteers interested in the Jewish culture are especially welcome

## Additional information

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### Location:

HOLEOV

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Holesov

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 205-18      **Date:** 2018-08-05 / 2018-08-18      **Total places:** 2      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** VESELI CASTLE

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Environmental (ENVI)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** POCINOVICE

**Address:** POCINOVICE

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp takes place in the village of Veseli nad Uhlavou in Western Bohemia in cooperation with the local association Tvrz Veseli. This association was founded with the aim to restore the ruin of a castle in Veseli nad Uhlavou, to make it open for the public and for cultural and educational purposes. Its activities involve maintenance and fundraising to renovate the castle. The castle has a disturbed past and is now in a very bad state. Past two workcamps helped to clean an overgrown castle park and discovered an old hidden staircase. This year's workcamp will focus on removing rubble from the part of the castle which is being renovated and on maintenance of the park.

### Work:

Work will be manual and will be done at the castle and in the castle park. The tasks will include: separating construction material from the ruins (tiles, beams, boards etc.) which can be reused, removing rubble, raking and collecting grass, removing invasive plants and bushes. Bring working clothes which can get dirty, solid shoes and waterproof jacket or raincoat (in case of bad weather). Be prepared for all kinds of weather. Study part: Presentation of the castle and its troubled history, excursion to Klatovy underground, getting to know history of the region, meeting locals during a music evening at the castle etc.

### Accommodation and food:

Hosted in the house of the local association's member in the village of Pocinovice (about 6 km from the workplace). Sleeping on mattresses in your own sleeping bags. There are two big rooms, WC, a bathroom and a kitchenette. Lunch will be provided at the workplace every day. You will prepare other meals on your own as a group. A washing machine is available.

### Location and leisure:

Veseli nad Uhlavou - a small village (about 58 inhabitants), a part of the Janovice nad Uhlavou municipality. The village of Pocinovice (around 548 inhabitants). Both are located at the foothills of Sumava National Park, close to Klatovy. From the place of accommodation (Pocinovice) to the workplace (Veseli) you will go every morning by train (20 min). The train station is near the castle. In Pocinovice there is a bakery, pub, library, some small shops and sports grounds. Leisure time: Trip to Chodsko region and participation in the local festival in Domazlice. Volleyball tournament with local players, trip to pilgrimage place of Dobra Voda (5km by forest road), trip to Klenova Castle and Kanice, swimming, campfire with locals, excursion to the local brewery etc.

### Requirements:

Workcamp is suitable for history lovers and people interested in living in the countryside. Due to living in a house with a host you will have a unique opportunity to experience local culture and customs, at the same time we ask you for respectful behavior and 61514;

## Additional information

**Location:**

POCINOVICE

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Pocinovice

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 206-18**Date:** 2018-08-06 / 2018-08-19**Total places:** 2**Age:** 18 - 30**Name:** GRABSTEJN CASTLE II**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Environmental (ENVI)**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA**Location:** CHOTYN**Address:** CHOTYN**Email:****Phone Number:****Web:****Fee:** 0.0 EUR**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

Grabstejn is a former medieval castle which was later rebuilt as a renaissance chateau. It was severely damaged under the communist regime but has gone through reconstruction since. Now it is an example of care for historical heritage presenting the life of high society through centuries to the wide public. The castle visitors are offered classical guided tours but also different cultural and educational activities. The castle is state-owned and is run by National Heritage Institute under the Ministry of Culture. The aim of the workcamp is to help local staff to maintain the castle park and its surroundings.

### Work:

Volunteers will work mainly in the castle park: maintaining paths and roads, removing invasive plants (e.g. nettles), cutting grass and branches, collecting garbage and gardening. The work is manual, physically demanding and sometimes you will need to work in a steep slope. You will also help in the castle area (basic renovation and maintenance tasks i cleaning, painting). Bring working clothes that can get dirty or damaged and good solid shoes. It is also good to have long pants to protect you from nettles. Study part: Learning more about the castle and its park (guided tour around the castle). There will be an opportunity to organize a community dinner with local guides. Please bring recipes for your favourite meals and some pictures or music from your country/region of origin.

### Accommodation and food:

You will sleep directly in the castle in one big room with bunk beds. You need to bring your own sleeping bag. There is a toilet and a shower with hot water. Next to the bedroom there is a small kitchen where you will prepare your meals as a group. A common room is also available. There is a fireplace outside in the backyard of the castle where you can have barbecue.

### Location and leisure:

Castle Grabstejn is located in the village of Chotyne (860 inhabitants) in Northern Bohemia. The nearest town is Hradek nad Nisou (about 7500 inhabitants) which is connected with Chotyne by public transport. The area is has a beautiful mountainous countryside which is perfect for hiking. Leisure time: You can go hiking in the beautiful hilly countryside surrounding the castle and climb the famous mountain Jested (1012 m) with a unique mountain hotel on the top. The nearest city is Liberec (ZOO, botanical garden and much more). It is possible to visit a regional brewery and many other interesting sights, go swimming or boating, and/or visit a neighbouring dog-training army unit. Please bring some games and musical instruments.

### Requirements:

This camp is especially suitable for volunteers who like gardening and want to explore the history of the castle. Please note that work will be physically demanding. Smoking is limited to designated areas. Allergies notice: pollen, bees, wasps.

## Additional information

**Location:**

CHOTYN

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Chotyn

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 301-18

**Date:** 2018-07-08 / 2018-07-21

**Total places:** 2

**Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** ORGANIC FARMING AT CAMPHILL COMMUNITY I

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Agriculture (AGRI)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** TEREZN

**Address:** TEREZN

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp takes place in the village of Ceske Kopisty in cooperation with the local Free Farm which is part of the Camphill Community. This family-like community provides space both for people with special needs and for those without disability to work and live together. The inhabitants can develop their skills in agriculture, textile and beewax candle making. The farm grows mainly organic vegetables and herbs. It promotes the importance of biodynamic agriculture and the role of farmers in today's world. They take care of the countryside as a whole together with the farm, it's a living organism. The farm is an NGO but through selling the products they try to develop relationships with other farmers and individual customers using the concept of community-based agriculture.

### Work:

Manual work is highly appreciated at the Free Farm. Its agricultural project couldn't be maintained without volunteers. Firstly, you will be helping on the organic farm - weeding, planting, digging up, harvesting, cleaning, storing, watering, collecting herbs, etc. The work is done outdoors and is usually physically demanding. Secondly, the house and its surroundings are still being renovated so some minor construction and renovation works can be done depending on current needs. Bring good working clothes, solid shoes, a hat and a raincoat. Study part: Lectures about the Camphill movement, Steiners anthroposophy, living in a community, biodynamic agriculture, about Czech and other cultures. It will be also possible to organize workshops on e.g. bee wax candle making, eurythmy and intuitive pedagogy. If you are interested in organizing an international evening for everyone to present their national cuisine and culture, there will be space for it. Bring your favourite recipes and some specific ingredients.

### Accommodation and food:

In 1 attic room on mattresses. Bring a sleeping bag. A common room, 2 showers with hot water and 2 toilets are available. Local partner will provide food and vegetables from the farm for cooking (vegetarian diet is possible). You will prepare breakfasts and dinners on your own as a group, lunches will be prepared by all the members of the community with help of volunteers.

### Location and leisure:

Ceske Kopisty is a small village near the historical town of Litomerice. The farm is working on 11 ha of fields; there is a garden and a yard with a couple of animals (cow, horse, hens, ducks, pigs). The area is quite vast; there are 3 houses for living, workshops and a common hall. There are 6 adults, 4 children and 8 people with special needs living there. You might meet around 20 other external co-workers. Leisure time: Barbecue with the members of the community, playing football and visiting the local pub, swimming in the river, visiting the nearby Terezin Memorial at the location of the former concentration camp for Jews in the Terezin Ghetto, going for trips to the nature protected area of Ceske Stredohori (cities of Litomerice, Usti nad Labem, castles, nature).

**Requirements:**

The workcamp is suitable for people who are interested in farming and learning about the community. As you will stay in the place for people with mental disabilities, there are certain rules: smoking and consumption of alcohol within the community area are restricted and it is necessary to respect the privacy and night rest of the inhabitants. Be aware that some inhabitants don't speak English.

**Additional information**

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**Location:**

TEREZN

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Terezin u Pamatniku



## Project details

**Code:** SDA 302-18      **Date:** 2018-07-13 / 2018-07-27      **Total places:** 2      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** ORGANIC FARMING IN THE CENTRE TABOR

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Agriculture (AGRI)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** NOVA VES NAD POPELKOU

**Address:** NOVA VES NAD POPELKOU

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp is held in the little village of Nova Ves nad Popelkou in Eastern Bohemia in collaboration with the Social Therapeutic Centre Tabor. The mission of the centre is to integrate people with various disabilities into the society, by means of living in a community and working in biodynamic agriculture and craft workshops. They are inspired by Camphill communities. Besides, the centre supports a community life in the village by maintaining folk traditions and customs. The centre is also a training space for educational programs focused on Waldorf pedagogy; various educational events for schools and public take place here. The aim of the workcamp is to help with different construction, renovation and agricultural tasks.

### Work:

Work: The work in agriculture is done outdoors and is physically demanding for beginners but is beautiful, makes you stronger and healthier. Some jobs will be also less demanding. The tasks will include: cleaning the organic potato field (weeding, removing potato beetles); cutting wood in the forest, collecting herbs in meadows and haymaking; painting and building fences in the garden, removing muck from stables; repairing fences and shelters for animals. It is necessary to bring sun protection (light clothing, a hat) as well as waterproof, fully enclosed shoes and a raincoat. Study part: Workshops on biodynamic agriculture and crafts (working with wool and wood, baking bread and traditional Czech cakes, production of homemade jams); excursion at the local geologist's workshop on processing of gems. It will be also possible to organize an international afternoon for local children and an evening with Czech folk music and dancing together with the neighbours. If you play any instrument, feel free to bring it.

### Accommodation and food:

In a historical wooden cottage, in several rooms with beds (bed linen provided). There are 3 bathrooms, a washing machine, a kitchen with an oven, a common room, and an outdoor fireplace. Three people live in the house on permanent basis. Meals (mainly vegetarian) will be prepared for everyone in the house by a local cook and you can help in the kitchen. You will also have an opportunity to cook for yourselves as a group. Food comes from the local farm and its organic.

### Location and leisure:

Nova Ves nad Popelkou (650 inhabitants) is Social Therapeutic Centre Tabor. It is located on the edge of Nature Protected Area of Bohemian Paradise. A nearby town of Lomnice nad Popelkou is about 4km far away. The historical town of Jicin is 20km away. Leisure time: It will be up to you if there are many options: e.g. trips both on foot and by train (Tabor observation tower, ruins of Kumburk and Bradlec castles, Bohemian Paradise rock town - all-day trip), swimming, playing games, having a campfire, visiting local beekeeper and other craftsmen (wooden toys and musical instruments, home-made cosmetics), visiting museums in nearby towns etc.

### Requirements:

In the premises of the Centre Tabor (both house and garden) it is not allowed to smoke or drink alcohol. Allergies notice: cats, pollen, hay. Note: This workcamp is perfect for everyone who wants to enjoy peaceful but meaningful experience in the countryside, discover local history and traditions, and learn more about organic farming.

**Additional information**

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**Location:**

NOVA VES NAD POPELKOU

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Nova Ves nad Popelkou

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 303-18      **Date:** 2018-07-16 / 2018-07-29      **Total places:** 1      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** FIGHT SOCIAL EXCLUSION

**Type of work:** Social project (SOCl) - Work with kids (KIDS)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** UST NAD LABEM

**Address:** UST NAD LABEM

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp is organized in co-operation with a local branch of People in Need (PiN), a Czech non-governmental, non-profit organization founded on the ideals of humanism, freedom, equality and solidarity. It is one of the biggest NGOs in Central Europe engaged in humanitarian aid and development projects. In Czech Republic, PiN targets education and helps people living in social exclusion. Its Social Integration Programmes promotes social improvement for the poor or vulnerable families through counselling and educational services. Workcamps in Usti nad Labem have a very long tradition. This year, the goal is firstly to prepare meaningful free-time activities for children and youth living in the socially excluded area of the town, present different cultures to them and give them a chance to get new experience. Second goal is to help with renovation in the PiN house and its surroundings.

### Work:

You will work in a several socially excluded neighbourhoods of Usti nad Labem. Local children have very limited opportunities during summer holidays. You will prepare and organize free-time activities for children and teenagers from the area coming to the afternoon club. The program for children will include trips and outdoor games and sports. Bring some ideas or equipment for games and activities with you. You will also organize two fun days with games for children and help out during a small dance and music festival in the neighbourhood. Presentations about your countries are welcome. Please note that most of the children speak only Czech so be ready for the language barrier and think of other means of communication. Apart from the activities mentioned, you will do some maintenance works in and around the premises of the PiN or in public space. Your own ideas how to beautify the area are welcome. Please bring also some working clothes and shoes that can get dirty. Study part: There will be a guided tour around different workplaces of PiN in Usti nad Labem organized for you at the beginning of the workcamp. You can also learn about the Roma culture, social exclusion in the Czech Republic, welfare system and the activities of the hosting NGO PiN.

### Accommodation and food:

In the premises of PiN. You will share one room in the attic. Please bring a sleeping bag and a mat. For participants with children, a separate room can be arranged. There is a bathroom (1 shower, 4 toilets) and a kitchen. Please note that you will share the premises with the employees of PiN and clients. Local partner will provide a budget to buy food and cook meals on your own as a group.

### Location and leisure:

Usti nad Labem (city of 100 000 people), Northern Bohemia i in particular three locations of Predlice, Krasne Brezno and Mojzir (areas of the city that have a high percentage of socially disadvantaged people) Leisure time: Trips to the surrounding countryside (nature parks, castles, farms, close-by mountains and historical cities i e.g. Prague). It will be possible to go swimming or enjoy other activities, such as bowling, rafting or hiking. Bring good boots for hiking.

**Requirements:**

Please send a short motivation letter sent with the application form. Describe your experience with or interest in working with children. Give us one example of an activity you can organize for children or teenagers. The workcamp is suitable for volunteers who are interested in the topic of social exclusion and are happy to spend time with children and teenagers. Creativity, organizational skills and team spirit are needed. Note: The workcamp is also open to participants with children (5 i 12 yo).

**Additional information**

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**Location:**

UST NAD LABEM

**Remarks**

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ML, Child-friendly camp

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG

**Bus/train station:** Usti nad Labem

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 304-18      **Date:** 2018-08-05 / 2018-08-18      **Total places:** 2      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** ORGANIC FARMING AT CAMPHILL COMMUNITY II

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Agriculture (AGRI)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** 268;ESK. . KOPISTY

**Address:** 268;ESK. . KOPISTY

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp takes place in the village of Ceske Kopisty in cooperation with the local Free Farm which is part of the Camphill Community. This family-like community provides space both for people with special needs and for those without disability to work and live together. The inhabitants can develop their skills in agriculture, textile and beewax candle making. The farm grows mainly organic vegetables and herbs. It promotes the importance of biodynamic agriculture and the role of farmers in today's world. They take care of the countryside as a whole together with the farm, it's a living organism. The farm is an NGO but through selling the products they try to develop relationships with other farmers and individual customers using the concept of community-based agriculture.

### Work:

Manual work is highly appreciated at the Free Farm. Its agricultural project couldn't be maintained without volunteers. Firstly, you will be helping on the organic farm - weeding, planting, digging up, harvesting, cleaning, storing, watering, collecting herbs, etc. The work is done outdoors and is usually physically demanding. Secondly, the house and its surroundings are still being renovated so some minor construction and renovation works can be done depending on current needs. Bring good working clothes, solid shoes, a hat and a raincoat. Study part: Lectures about the Camphill movement, Steiners anthroposophy, living in a community, biodynamic agriculture, about Czech and other cultures. It will be also possible to organize workshops on e.g. bee wax candle making, eurythmy and intuitive pedagogy. If you are interested in organizing an international evening for everyone to present their national cuisine and culture, there will be space for it. Bring your favourite recipes and some specific ingredients.

### Accommodation and food:

In 1 attic room on mattresses. Bring a sleeping bag. A common room, 2 showers with hot water and 2 toilets are available. Local partner will provide food and vegetables from the farm for cooking (vegetarian diet is possible). You will prepare breakfasts and dinners on your own as a group, lunches will be prepared by all the members of the community with help of volunteers.

### Location and leisure:

Ceske Kopisty is a small village near the historical town of Litomerice. The farm is working on 11 ha of fields; there is a garden and a yard with a couple of animals (cow, horse, hens, ducks, pigs). The area is quite vast; there are 3 houses for living, workshops and a common hall. There are 6 adults, 4 children and 8 people with special needs living there. You might meet around 20 other external co-workers. Leisure time: Barbecue with the members of the community, playing football and visiting the local pub, swimming in the river, visiting the nearby Terezin Memorial at the location of the former concentration camp for Jews in the Terezin Ghetto, going for trips to the nature protected area of Ceske Stredohori (cities of Litomerice, Usti nad Labem, castles, nature).

**Requirements:**

The workcamp is suitable for people who are interested in farming and learning about the community. As you will stay in the place for people with mental disabilities, there are certain rules: smoking and consumption of alcohol within the community area are restricted and it is necessary to respect the privacy and night rest of the inhabitants. Be aware that some inhabitants don't speak English.

**Additional information**

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**Location:**

268;ESK. . KOPISTY

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG

**Bus/train station:** Terezin u Pamatniku

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 305-18      **Date:** 2018-08-05 / 2018-08-12      **Total places:** 1      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** HELP THE ELDERLY IN PRAGUE 15

**Type of work:** Social project (SOC1)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** PRAHA

**Address:** PRAHA

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

This workcamp takes place in Prague 15 (at the outskirts of the city) in cooperation with the Centre for Social Care and Nursing which offers social services to the people who need care and help of the others due to their age or illness. The aim of this workcamp is to support intercultural and intergenerational exchange of experience, to get to know each other, discover something new and foster mutual understanding and respect. This year the workcamp will be organized for the 9th time.

### Work:

You will work with the elderly and get a fixed part in their daily program. You will organize art workshops, leisure time activities (board games) and a garden party for them and assist with occupational therapy and outdoor-activities (going for walks, etc.). You will also assist the nurses in taking care for the clients and potentially do some manual work (e.g. gardening, cleaning, helping in the kitchen etc.). It is very much welcome if you come with your own ideas and initiative on what can be done. Please bring your favourite music, pictures or simple games with you to share with the elderly. Study part: Learn more about social care in the Czech Republic and meet with seniors. You can practise Czech if you speak some. There will be workshops on ethical approach to social services and on communication in the environment with language barriers.

### Accommodation and food:

In a nearby hostel, in rooms with beds and linen. Each room also has its own bathroom. Lunches will be provided at the canteen of the social centre and will not be always suitable for vegetarians. Breakfast will be provided at the accommodation; dinners will be given to you in a package by the social centre and will be usually cold.

### Location and leisure:

Prague 15, a quarter at the outskirts of Prague. Leisure time: Prague 15 has a lot of green areas and good facilities for sport. There is a swimming pool in the neighbourhood. Besides you can visit Prague city centre, see exhibitions, visit nearby castles or go hiking in the countryside.

### Requirements:

We prefer highly motivated, outgoing and creative volunteers. A relevant motivation letter needs to be handed in with the application form. Before arriving at the project, you will be required to submit a Certificate of Good Conduct and a medical note stating you have no infectious diseases. If you speak some Czech, it will be very helpful in communication with the elderly. Note: Please bring something traditional from your country which you can share with the clients. Volunteers can get a certificate confirming your voluntary service in the Centre for Social Care and Nursing.

## Additional information

### Location:

PRAHA

**Remarks**

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Motivation letter, certificate of good conduct and medical form needed

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG

**Bus/train station:** Prague



## Project details

**Code:** SDA 306-18      **Date:** 2018-08-09 / 2018-08-21      **Total places:** 1      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** CENTRE FOR ALL

**Type of work:** Work with kids (KIDS) - Work with people with disabilities (DISA)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** NYMBURK

**Address:** NYMBURK

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

This workcamp takes place in the town of Nymburk and in a small village of Jizbice (Central Bohemia region) in cooperation with the local NGO Centre for All. Centre for All organizes free time activities and summer camps for children and youth with and without disabilities. The activities take place in a reconstructed barn with a pretty garden in Jizbice and in the centre of the organization in Nymburk. The aim of the workcamp is to help Centre for All to prepare and run a children summer camp for teenage children with or without disability.

### Work:

You will do both manual tasks and work with children. 1st week: getting the campsite and the barn ready for the arrival of the children (moving furniture, cleaning, decorating and preparing material, games and activities). 2nd week: you will work with children with or without mental and/or physical disabilities who spend their vacation at the camp in Jizbice (personal assistance to children, organization of activities, going on walks, helping in the kitchen, washing dishes cleaning etc.). During the children camp, you will work longer hours but you can enjoy more free time before or after the camp. Throughout the workcamp, you will cooperate with Czech assistants i every child will be taken care of by 1 Czech and 1 international volunteer. Bring games and ideas for activities. Study part: During the first week, you will get a lecture on autism and a workshop on methods how to work with disabled children and youth. Some materials will be already provided to all participants before the workcamp. Please be ready to read them in advance There will be some teambuilding activities together with the Czech assistants. You will have the chance to learn some basic Czech phrases i it will be helpful during the children s camp. You will also learn about the famous Czech author Bohumil Hrabal who was born in Nymburk i you can visit his birth house or see films based on his novels.

### Accommodation and food:

In Jizbice: in big tents in the garden. Please bring a sleeping bag and a torch. There is a bathroom with toilets and showers at the campsite. You will have meals together with the children and organizers. In Nymburk: in an international scouts centre i in rooms on mattresses in own sleeping bags. There are 2 bathrooms, a kitchen, a dining room and a big garden. You will prepare your own meals as a group.

### Location and leisure:

Nymburk and the village of Jizbice (8 kilometres from the town of Nymburk). The campsite in Jizbice is located in a garden with a big barn. There is a playground, forests and an outdoor swimming pool. Leisure time: Tour around the spa town of Podebrady, trip to Prague, excursion to a local brewery and to the surrounding countryside can be planned. We will also organize an intercultural day/evening in Nymburk together with Czech volunteers.

### Requirements:

A short motivation letter sent with the application form is strictly required. We are especially looking for outgoing and creative volunteers with good communication skills who enjoy working with children. We will also ask you to cooperate before the workcamp and read the materials that will be sent to you. Smoking and drinking alcohol is forbidden while working with children. Bring working clothes with you that can get dirty You will need clothes for all kind of weather (swimsuit, warm clothes, raingear and waterproof working shoes).

**Additional information**

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**Location:**

NYMBURK

**Remarks**

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Motivation Letter needed

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Nymburk

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 307-18      **Date:** 2018-08-12 / 2018-08-26      **Total places:** 1      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** ENGLISH SUMMER CAMPS FOR KIDS

**Type of work:** Work with kids (KIDS)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** KADAO

**Address:** KADAO

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp is organized by the NGO Parents and Children of Kadan (RADKA) which provides a variety of services for families with children (maternal, swimming, volunteer, social and educational centres, more on: [www.radka.kadan.cz](http://www.radka.kadan.cz)). During summer holidays RADKA organizes suburban and outdoor camps for children of different ages. There will be 2 such camps during the workcamp i the urban one in the 1st week in Kadan and the outdoor one in the 2nd week near a small village of Kotvina. RADKA wants to bring international dimension to the camps and enable children to practise English. That s why international volunteers are invited for 5th time. The aim of the workcamp is to help with the preparation and running of an interesting intercultural program in both camps.

### Work:

During 1st week, you will work at the suburban camp in the premises of RADKA. Children stay at the camp from 8am to 4pm but they sleep at home. You will mainly work with children (preparing games, arts, dancing activities and interactive English lessons). During the outdoor camp (2nd week) you will help with the all-day program managed by RADKA s organizers. The program will include trips, swimming, sports competitions, campfire, night games, etc. You will get involved in the sports games and other activities (including daily routine tasks such as cleaning, etc.). In both camps you will be asked to present your countries and to prepare playful English lessons for kids. Please bring your favourite games, music and other ideas and most of all - lots of energy. Study part: You will learn to prepare a program for children and see an example of how children camps are organized in the Czech Republic. You will meet the local community from Kadan, especially during the final international party for children and their parents. You will have an opportunity to present your home towns/countries in an interactive way. You will meet volunteers of European Voluntary Service hosted by RADKA on regular basis.

### Accomodation and food:

1st week: local youth club i 2 rooms with sleeper sofas, a kitchen and a bathroom. There is also wi-fi internet. You will prepare your own breakfasts and dinners as a group; lunches will be provided in a restaurant. 2nd week: campsite with tents, no electricity, no internet, limited access to hot water, dry toilets. Bring sleeping bag, a mat and some warm clothes You will be provided full board by the camp cooks (vegetarian meals are not always possible).

### Location and leisure:

First, the historical town of Kadan (20,000 inhabitants), in West Bohemia, not far from the Ore Mountains and then the campsite near the village of Kotvina (about 15 km from Kadan). There is a beautiful countryside around Kadan. Leisure time: During your stay in Kadan, you will have many possibilities to spend your free time i visiting the town of Kadan and its monuments, visiting cultural events, trips to the countryside, swimming, doing sports. During the outdoor camp, you will have 1 day off when you can organize an excursion to Karlovy Vary or Loket Castle. Apart from that you will be able to spend your free time at the campsite and in the surrounding (relaxing, swimming, walks, visit of nearby sights-).

**Requirements:**

During the workcamp, you will spend a lot of time with children aged 9-14. This is why we require a short motivation letter, a certificate of good conduct and a medical form. We look for communicative and creative volunteers. Please note that children have different levels of English, so you will have to use non-verbal communication too. The workcamp is suitable for non-smokers. Smoking is not allowed on the premises. No alcohol allowed near children. Please note you will also work at the weekends but you will get some days off during the week instead.

**Additional information**

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**Location:**

KADAO

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Kadan

## Project details

**Code:** SDA 404-18      **Date:** 2018-08-12 / 2018-08-22      **Total places:** 2      **Age:** 18 - 30

**Name:** ECO CENTRE HORNI MARSOV

**Type of work:** Renovation (RENO) - Environmental (ENVI)

**Country:** REPÚBLICA CHECA

**Location:** HORNI MARSOV

**Address:** HORNI MARSOV

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Web:**

**Fee:** 0.0 EUR

**Languages:** English, English

## Description

### Partner:

The workcamp takes place in a small town of Horni Marsov situated in the Krkonose (Giant) Mountains in cooperation with the local NGO Centre for environmental education and ethics i SEVER . SEVER is focused on environmental education and the promotion of responsible behavior towards nature and among people themselves. They cooperate with schools and organize programs for students and teachers. They organize educational and cultural events for the public. The aim of the workcamp is to renovate facilities of the TOUCH eco-centre run by SEVER and to get to know sustainable way of living.

### Work:

Volunteers will mainly help with the renovation and maintenance of the facilities in the eco-centre. Tasks will involve setting up new simple wooden structures such as a hay-shed or fences for animals; renovation of facilities (e.g. brushing and painting) and other activities related to everyday life in the eco-centre. Some tasks can be physically demanding, such as working with wood (cutting and storing). Other tasks will be less demanding, such as working in the natural garden (weeding, mulching, and maintenance of walking paths). Study part: Presentation of the organization SEVER (what they do to be sustainable), possibility to try environmental education programs for students and tourists, cooking evenings (local and international meals), excursion to the Krkonose National Park etc.

### Accommodation and food:

in the residential centre at the school. There will be 2 rooms with beds available, WC, bathroom, common room and a small kitchen. Please bring your own sleeping bags You will prepare your own meals as a group in the kitchen of the residential centre. Some lunches will be provided in the canteen of the TOUCH eco-centre. The canteen operates for all the staff of the eco-centre. Please bring your own national recipes to share with others.

### Location and leisure:

North-eastern part of Bohemia, near the border on Poland. The town of Horni Marsov has around 1000 inhabitants and is located near the Krkonose National Park. Krkonose are the highest mountains in the Czech Republic and very attractive for hiking. Volunteers will work in two places i the eco-centre TOUCH (seat of the organization) and the residential centre (in the local school). Both places are within 5 minutes of walk. The area has a bit colder climate even in summer and a beautiful nature. Leisure time: Hiking in the beautiful Krkonose National Park, visiting other interesting sights (Trutnov, Arspach-Teplice rocks, etc.), using outdoor fireplace, borrowing materials for creative workshops, organizing film screenings etc.

### Requirements:

We are looking for volunteers who like nature and are eager to learn how to be more sustainable. The local partner would like to show volunteers how to be more sustainable in everyday life (sorting out waste, cooking with local and organic products i no palm oil or fried food).

## Additional information

**Location:**

HORNI MARSOV

**How to get**

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**Airport:** PRG**Bus/train station:** Horni Marsov