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IBG 01 Wallerfangen (Saarland) 05.04. - 19.04.2014 RENO 12 vols

PROJECT: For the first time, a workcamp will take place in Wallerfangen, a community in the German region Saarland. The community consists of 9,200 inhabitants in total and includes Wallerfangen and 8 smaller villages in the surrounding area. The territory of Wallerfangen lies along the bank of the Saar River and offers plenty of opportunities for outdoor activities such as hiking, walking and cycling in the parks and near-by forests. The project will be to renew the playground of a kindergarten and the primary school in the village of Gisingen.

WORK: You will be setting up new playing equipment, doing some gardening work such as planting new bushes, and creatively rearranging the playground in order to provide the children with new entertainment and places for hide-and-seek games. Interaction with the children and their occasional support will allow you to get feedback and customize the playground for them. Work will be demanding in parts and volunteers with experience in manual work are especially welcome. Other tasks within the community are a possibility.

ACCOMMODATION: The group will stay in a community building; details have still to be confirmed.

LOCATION: Wallerfangen is situated in the west of Saarland directly on the border of France. You can find many interesting places in Wallerfangen including: a castle, ancient Roman sites (fountains and mining places), and many cultural and natural sights. The fortified city of Saarlouis is near-by and you will certainly be visiting it. Excursions to other interesting places, such as Saarbrücken or the World heritage Voelklingen Ironworks, are possible and depend on the interest of the international group. The local villagers are already looking forward to welcoming you to their community and getting to know you.

NEXT AIRPORTS: Saarbrücken (SCN), Luxembourg (LUX), Frankfurt-Hahn (HHN)

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Saarlouis

IBG 02 Ruhpolding (Bavaria) 10.05. - 25.05.2014 CONS 14 vols

PROJECT: The local host is the Caritas Children's Village of Irschenberg called "Kinderdorf Irschenberg." The "Kinderdorf" was founded in 1972 and is nowadays a home for more than a hundred children and youngsters where they can escape from their social distress and participate in professional assistant programs. A large hut, called "Rabenmoos Alm," belongs to the "Kinderdorf" and serves as an accommodation as well as a center for adventure-based learning about forests and the environment. It is located in the community of Ruhpolding, which is approx. 70 km away from Irschenberg, but is located at in very remote place (90min walk to the village) up the mountain at 1000m above sea level.

WORK: Your main task will be to expand the outdoor area of the "Rabenmoos Alm." Concrete tasks will be to construct and set up playground equipment, build a nature trail and to cover the campfire place. All tasks will follow the idea of forest pedagogy. You will be working closely and in cooperation with the professional forest pedagogue.

ACCOMMODATION: Participants will live directly at the project site. The accommodation will be the "Rabenmoos Alm," where you will find a well equipped kitchen, five sleeping rooms with beds, and all sanitary facilities. Please bring your own sleeping bag!

LOCATION: Ruhpolding is a small Bavarian village with around 6,500 inhabitants and is located in the Alps of southern Bavaria very close to the border to Austria. It is famous for hosting the Biathlon World Cup and the Nordic Combined World Cup and offers many summer activities, as well. It is surrounded by beautiful nature and mountains where you will easily find many mountain-biking and hiking trails. Enjoy a ride on the tram up the mountain-side and take in the 360° panoramic view from the peak. Only 20 km away from your accommodation is Chiemsee, the third-largest lake in Germany. Additionally, you can visit some near-by cities like Bavaria's capital Munich, or Salzburg in Austria.

NEXT AIRPORT: Salzburg, Munich

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Ruhpolding

IBG 03 Grimburg Castle (Rhineland-Palatinate) 20.05. - 30.05.2014 RENO/ENVI 10 vols

PROJECT: For the second year, a workcamp will take place at the castle Grimburg. Built by the Trier archbishops around 1190, the castle has been destroyed and reconstructed several times. Awakened from its centuries-long sleep in 1978, a local group of volunteers started to reconstruct the castle again, including work on the very impressive castle keep. However, most parts are still a ruin and in the past years, efforts have been made to increase the castle's accessibility and attractiveness of this unique site. Today, it has become a popular destination for hikers, as well as a site used for weddings, youth activities, historic markets and knights' festivals. There will be a small castle's festival on May 29th, where you are invited to join and support the local team.

WORK: The tasks will be to support the maintenance of the castle and do various works on the castles' ground (cut bushes and grass, protect the masonry). Concrete tasks will be defined in spring. Please be aware that the work can be challenging at times and that you will work outside even in bad weather conditions!

ACCOMMODATION: The group will stay in one of the small towers of the castle – you will feel a bit like you are living as former inhabitants of the castle did. The conditions are very basic; you will use the first floor for sleeping and the ground floor for cooking and eating. There is electricity but no heating (but a campfire right in front of the tower). Toilets and a shower are within 100m. Of course, there is also no internet available. Please bring a sleeping bag, a mat and a flashlight.

LOCATION: The castle Grimburg is overlooking the forests and valleys of the region called "Hochwald" ("high forest"). The castle is quite isolated; the next village (the name is also Grimburg) is in a 2km distance, the next shops are in Hermeskeil (10km). The castle is surrounded by nature and you will have the chance to enjoy it (just go for a walk...). Nevertheless you will also meet local people and share time with them or take an excursion to Trier, the oldest German city with 100, 000 inhabitants. Here you can find many historical sights (from the Roman period), many clubs and events (as it is a university town) and all other facilities.

Attention: This project is only for volunteers who like simple life and enjoy the nature!

NEXT AIRPORTS: Frankfurt-Hahn (HHN), Luxembourg (LUX) Frankfurt (FRA)

MEETING POINT: Hermeskeil bus stop

IBG 04 Burk (Bavaria) 20.04. - 10.05.2014 RENO/CONS/FEST 12 vols

PROJECT: Last year's camp in Burk was so successful that the community looks forward to a second year of international experience with an international workcamp! During the camp, on the 26th & 27th of April, the workcamp participants will help with the International Hiking Days taking place in Burk.

WORK: One task will be maintenance on the area in and around the local cemetery. The community has a large forest playground, which was totally renewed by last year's Workcamp. This year, you will enlarge it a bit by constructing new playground equipment. In addition, the team will help in the organisation of the International Hiking Days event, in which about 2000 hikers will participate. Other tasks around a forest house of the community may also be completed.

ACCOMMODATION: You will be staying in a building in the community where there are facilities to cook for yourself or with the rest of the team. Please bring your own sleeping bag and mat.

LOCATION: Burk is a quaint village in Bavaria with 1100 inhabitants. It is surrounded by beautiful nature with forests, hills and plenty of trails to explore. It is perfect for walks or hiking.

NEXT AIRPORT: Nuremberg, Frankfurt, Munich

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Ansbach

MEETING POINT: Train station Ansbach

IBG 05 Waldsassen (Bavaria) 01.06. - 14.06.2014 ENVI/CONS 12 vols

PROJECT: Your host is the Umweltstation ("environmental station") of Waldsassen, a town near the border of the Czech Republic. This institution aims to educate people of all ages, in a non-formal way, about environmental issues. The garden is divided into various areas to creatively teach about topics such as water, herbs, forest and nature protection. This "station" offers guided tours, seminars and workshops.

WORK: First, you will build a small straw-bale house where an exhibition about bees is going to be set up. Then, you will have the chance to help out in the garden where it is needed – doing gardening work, planting, cutting, weeding, but also doing repair or reconstruction work. There is plenty of interesting work to do!

ACCOMMODATION: Your accommodation will be the local gym (which is about 15 minutes by foot to the work-side). There are sanitary facilities and a kitchen provided.

LOCATION: Waldsassen is situated in the northeast of Bavaria; the border to the Czech Republic is close-by. About 7000 people live in this picturesque town, which is known for the beautiful old basilica and its convent. The area around Waldsassen is quite rural and offers the possibility to go hiking and enjoy the landscape. Near-by cities to visit are Nuremberg or Hof.

NEXT AIRPORTS: Nuremberg

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Wiesau

IBG 06 Kell am See (Rhineland-Palatinate) 02.06. – 16.06.2014 CONS/ENVI 12 vols

PROJECT: Kell am See is a touristic village not far from Trier, the oldest German city. The regional youth department runs an educational centre in this village, which offers different environmental educational activities for youth groups and school classes. Also school classes or youth associations can come here for several days and run own seminars or trainings. The centre was just renovated and different new outdoor and training facilities were installed.

WORK: You will finish the renovation works by improving the surrounding of the centre. Concrete tasks will be constructing and setting up new wooden benches, improving the paths, some gardening work and creating a new barbecue and campfire place. On the occasion of the finalised renovation of the centre there will be an Open Day on June 15th. You will support the preparation and you will also present your work to the public.

ACCOMMODATION: You will stay in several wooden tepees for five persons each. Mats are provided. In the centre you will have your own kitchen and living room and sanitary facilities. For the free time you will find perfect conditions: an indoor climbing wall, billiard, plenty of outdoor facilities (basketball, a rope course, football, volleyball...). The public swimming pool is just nearby.

LOCATION: Kell am See is a village 30 km from Trier in a beautiful landscape. The area is well known for cycling, walking and other ways of outdoor activities. The local holiday resort offers more than 200 holiday bungalows next to a lake (close to the educational centre). But also people from the area come here for cycling (there is a 45 km cycling path on a former railway roadbed) or to spend a nice day outside. The region also offers plenty of historic sites (castles, museums....). You will also get the opportunity to come in contact with local associations as e.g. the local voluntary fire brigade. But public transport is poor during the weekend, so the number of excursions will be limited. But for sure Trier with the famous Roman sites, with the cathedral and birth place of Karl Marx can be visited.

NEXT AIRPORTS: Hahn (HHN), Luxembourg (LUX), Frankfurt (FRA)

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Trier. Please be there before 7 p.m. on June 2nd as the last bus to Kell am See leaves then.

IBG 07 Eggenfelden (Bavaria) 14.06. - 28.06.2014 CONS/RENO 12 vols

PROJECT: For the second time, the community of Eggenfelden gladly welcomes an international workcamp. After the success of last year's camp, the locals look forward to another cooperative project with the volunteers. The team can expect a variety of mainly outdoor tasks.

WORK: One of the tasks is to implement measures for the prevention of beaver-damage to the tree-trunks. Other projects include: work on playgrounds (constructing stairs, laying soft foundation under the equipment, etc.), different painting projects, clearing of and other maintenance on hiking and Nordic Walking trails. Further task may also deal with water measurement.

ACCOMMODATION: The group will stay in a building in the city with all necessary sanitary facilities provided.

LOCATION: Eggenfelden is a town with about 13,000 inhabitants, located in "Lower Bavaria," the very southeast of Germany's federal state of Bavaria, close to the border of Germany and Austria. The landscape, part of the foothills of the Alps, is one of hills and green valleys, a perfect area for biking and hiking. Mid-sized towns in "Lower Bavaria" worth seeing are: Landshut (about 60 km from Eggenfelden); Passau (about 68 km); and Regensburg (about 110 km), one of the most ancient towns in Germany, with a picturesque old town- now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Also, the famous lake called "Chiemsee", sometimes referred to as the "Bavarian Sea", is only about 80 km away, directly located in front of the beautiful mountain scenery of the Alps. The hospitable Bavarian people are happy to be international hosts again!

NEXT AIRPORT: Munich, Salzburg (Austria)

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Eggenfelden

IBG 08 Willstaett (Baden-Wuerttemberg) 28.06. – 13.07.2014 MANU/FEST 10 vols

PROJECT: After several successful workcamps in the last years, the local host invites again an international group! They are very happy to be supported by a workcamp in their projects and looking forwards to celebrating the local school festival together with you!

WORK: First task will be to renew wooden fences around the local kindergarten and primary school. In addition to that there will be various painting jobs and preparation tasks on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the all-day school and the 20th anniversary of the primary school. On the 12th of July the celebration will take place and you are warmly welcome to enjoy this day together with kids and their families! Apart from that there will be different environmental tasks waiting for you such as cleaning and improving of the green areas around Willstaett. Volunteers will work together with workers from the local building department.

ACCOMMODATION: will be in a generous building of the fire brigade with all sanitary facilities provided. Kitchen and camp beds are in place as well.

LOCATION: The community of Willstaett contains several villages with all in all around 9000 inhabitants. It is situated in the beautiful southern part of Germany close to the border to France. It is characterised by its beautiful architectural style. There is also a lot to see and discover in the landscape close to the black forest with its spectacular sights (waterfalls, castles...). Close bigger cities like Freiburg or Strasbourg offer a wide range of cultural events.

NEXT AIRPORT: Strasbourg (France), Stuttgart, Karlsruhe Baden-Baden

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Appenweier, Kehl

IBG 09 Veringenstadt (Baden-Wuerttemberg) 29.06. - 19.07.2014 CONS/ENVI 12 vols

PROJECT: The town of Veringenstadt is eager to host 12 volunteers in an interactive and hands-on, international workcamp! The local people are very excited and looking forward to meeting the volunteers. The town is situated in the valley of Lauchert, where you will find

many small caves on the hillsides. These caves used to be visited by locals and tourists, but are currently in bad condition and need to be reconstructed.

WORK: The task will be to reconstruct the trails that lead to the “Nikolaushöhle” cave (“Cave of St Nicholas”). You will cut bushes and shrubs, level the path and lay gravel. Be prepared to work in the nature!

ACCOMMODATION: The group will stay in a community building in Veringenstadt, which is only 300m away from the work-site. There, you will find a kitchen, all sanitary facilities (2 toilets, 1 shower, 1 bath) and camp beds.

LOCATION: The historical town of Veringenstadt is located between Baden-Württemberg’s bustling state capitol of Stuttgart and the famed Lake Constance, both about two hours by train. The university-town of Tuebingen, only an hour and a half away, is also worth a visit! Nestled in the lush nature of the Swabian Alps, this region is surrounded by forests and valleys, which feature many hiking trails, large caves, and rivers for canoeing and swimming. Experience the culture of the area with a visit to one of the several interesting museums or the beautiful Sigmaringen Castle. In addition, the town hall of Veringenstadt is famous for being the oldest town hall of Hohenzollern and houses a small museum exhibiting an original witch’s dress!

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart, Memmingen

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Veringenstadt

IBG 10 Freisen (Saarland) 06.07. - 27.07.2014 CONS/RENO 12 vols

PROJECT: This workcamp will focus specifically on the creation of a new playground. The hosting community of Freisen consists of 8 different villages with 9,000 inhabitants in total. This project will take place in Oberkirchen, one of the villages. After a very successful first experience in 2013, the locals are happy to receive again the support from an international group. The area of Freisen has a rich nature with many opportunities for outdoor activities like hiking, walking and cycling.

WORK: The playground will be created in a new part of the village where young families have recently moved in. The foundation has already been laid. Your tasks will be to set up the new playing equipment, build a fence to prevent children from running into the street, construct wooden benches for the parents, and do some gardening work. In addition to these tasks, a part of the group will stay at the accommodation and renovate the building of the sport’s club and perform maintenance on the surroundings.

ACCOMMODATION: The group will stay in the sport’s club house of Schwarzerden, one of the smaller villages (500 inhabitants) within the community of Freisen. All necessary facilities are provided (camp beds, kitchen, showers, barbecue place, plenty of space outside...) but it is quite isolated and there is no public internet. The building is the biggest hall in the village so it is also used as a kind of community centre.

LOCATION: Freisen is situated in the north of Saarland in a rural area. You can find many interesting places in and near Freisen: a historical railway, cultural and natural sights, a zoo, and a spa bath. The local villagers are already looking forward to interacting and welcoming you to one of the many local village festivals.

NEXT AIRPORTS: Saarbruecken (SCN), Frankfurt-Hahn (HHN), Frankfurt (FRA)

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Neubruecke (Nahe)

IBG 11 Lauterbach (Baden-Württemberg) 05.07. - 26.07.2014 ENVI 12vols

PROJECT: This is the sixth time that the communities of Lauterbach and Schramberg invite a workcamp. Most of all, the ranger of Lauterbach is very happy to be supported by a workcamp at different environmental and construction tasks in a nature protection area!

WORK: Different tasks are waiting for you to help with: First, the international helpers will work on the maintenance of a hiking trail in the forest. Then, you will work on a hillside which needs to be secured. So-called “neophytes” (invasive non-native vegetation) need to be removed in the nature protection area. You will cut and clear those plants. Furthermore,

cleaning and clearing of vegetation needs to be done in biotopes like ponds and tarns. Probably you will also repair fences and maintain grasslands with fruit trees. Be prepared for hard physical work! Due to working in damp and steep areas (ponds), rubber boots and/or sturdy shoes are necessary for working effectively!

ACCOMMODATION: The workcamp team will stay in a community center, where you can find sanitary facilities, showers and a kitchen. Due to the position of the house in a rural area it is likely that there will not be access to internet and no coverage for mobile phones. Just be prepared to spend three wonderful, adventurous weeks away from your busy and usual everyday life!

LOCATION: Lauterbach is situated in the heart of the Black Forest nature park, close to Schramberg and the town Rottweil. There are many possibilities to hike and experience nature first hand. Just step out of the door and find yourself surrounded by beautiful nature! On weekends, you'll have the chance to visit Rottweil or university town Freiburg.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Rottweil

IBG 12 Pegnitz U&D (Bavaria) 08.07. - 15.07.2014 FEST 10 vols

PROJECT: The local association Waldstock e.V. (<http://waldstock.de/>) promotes local youth activities in the small town of Pegnitz. The members of this association are very motivated and with a lot of personal involvement they realize projects like concerts, film festivals or soccer cups. For 20 years, they have been organizing the "Waldstock" festival, a so called "umsonst und draussen" festival ("outside & free of charge), which has become an important part of the cultural life of the town. Every year, the festival attracts more and more music fans from the region. Last year it was the 20th anniversary of the festival and the first one with support from an international workcamp. Since it was such a great success, we will return to Pegnitz with a workcamp this year, too.

WORK: You will help the organisers in all phases of the festival: The main tasks will be setting up of the stage and campground on the site of the festival as well as the disassembly at the end. While the festival is running the volunteers will assist in different areas: bar, stage, organisation, catering etc. You will work closely with the people from the association! Volunteers should be flexible enough to work long and unusual hours – and enjoy music! Speaking or understanding basic German will be a plus!

ACCOMMODATION: You will probably stay in the local brewery, like last year's workcamp. It is not far from the festival area. Eventually the accommodation will change, since the local organizers are trying to find a better accommodation. Food will be served during the festival in the canteen throughout the day.

LOCATION: Pegnitz is a small town in Franconia, Bavaria, near Nuremberg. You can find medieval and historic buildings and churches in the centre of the city. The city is known for its beers: it has a long tradition in brewery and the locals are very proud of it. The Bavarian region in which Pegnitz is placed is called "Little Switzerland" – for a reason: Its beautiful surrounding invites to extended adventures and hiking trips in the region. There are all kinds of trails and possibilities to experience the unique nature.

NEXT AIRPORT: Nuremberg, Munich, Frankfurt

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Pegnitz

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: *We ask for a motivation letter to be sent with the application!*

IBG 13 Schiltach (Baden-Wuerttemberg) 12.07. – 26.07.2014 RENO/CONS 15 vols

PROJECT: This year, our long-time project partner Schiltach, gladly invites an international workcamp for another great cultural exchange. After last year's successful workcamps, the community of Schiltach and Social Community for the Elderly are very eager to get to know new international volunteers! The citizens of Schiltach are planning many activities and events, in order to maintain interaction between the group and the locals!

WORK: Your main task will be the renovation of the bird houses. This work includes the building of new nesting boxes, the painting of the premises and other such work. The international group will also be responsible for arranging the area around the bird house. It is also possible that the volunteers will have a few tasks directly in the town of Schiltach.

ACCOMMODATION: The volunteers will live in extra rooms in the elderly-home, where a kitchen and sanitary facilities are provided. Please bring your own sleeping bags and mats! Be ready and open for daily contacts and common activities with people who work or live in the centre.

LOCATION: Schiltach is a town in the district of Rottweil, in Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany. It is situated in the Eastern Black Forest, on the river Kinzig, 20 km south of Freudenstadt. Schiltach has about 4000 inhabitants and a quaint medieval inner-city, which is preserved by the city and worth seeing, especially the market place and the town hall.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart, Karlsruhe/Baden-Baden, Zurich (Switzerland)

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Freudenstadt, Offenburg, Wolfach

IBG 14 Nagold (Baden-Wurttemberg) 13.07. - 29.07.2014 MANU/ENVI 13 vols

PROJECT: The youth centre of Nagold is one of the oldest partners of IBG. For the past nineteen years, they have been organizing very successful workcamps, inviting volunteers to help them with different renovation and cleaning tasks, making a movie about workcamps and organizing a Celtic festival.

WORK: This year the youth centre in cooperation with the city offers a variety of artistic (creative) and environmental tasks. You will work together with many helpers from Nagold. One of your tasks will be setting up of the stage and the canvas for the local citizens theatre. Your own creativity is welcome! Furthermore your project will include clearing brush and overgrowth from walking paths. Work can be physical, but the volunteers will have a unique opportunity to work in the mystic nature and charm of the Black Forest.

ACCOMMODATION: The group will be staying in the youth centre with basic conditions. Two sleeping rooms with beds, big kitchen are provided. Showers are available at the swimming pool nearby.

LOCATION: Nagold is situated in the beautiful "Black Forest" and has about 22.000 inhabitants. The youth centre, located in the inner city of Nagold, is a meeting point for young people aged 14-20. Beside many other possibilities to spend time in the youth centre you will find rooms and equipment to play music, to dance and make videos and plenty of other things to spend your leisure activities. Trips to Stuttgart and Tuebingen, hiking in the Black forest, horse riding, swimming and playing beach volleyball are only some of the possible activities. All the time local youth will be around so participants can look forward to getting in touch with them!

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart (50 km)

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Nagold

IBG 15 Karlstadt U&D (Bavaria) 12.07. - 23.07.2014 FEST 15 vols

PROJECT: In the summer months, Germany is host to a variety of music festivals and events. One of those festivals – "Umsonst & Draussen" (free of charge & outdoors) – will take place outside the town of Karlstadt and run for three days, from the 18th-20th of July (<http://www.umsonstunddraussen.de/hauptseite.html>). The town's young people have been organising festivals for a long time now, this year will be the sixth time to invite a workcamp to help with the exciting, but also demanding, tasks of setting up the festival in July. Around 35 bands are invited; 12,000-15,000 visitors are expected.

WORK: The international group will work together with many other volunteers from Karlstadt. The main tasks will be setting up of the stage and campground on the site of the festival, as well as the disassembly at the end. While the festival is running, the volunteers will assist in different areas: bar, stage, organisation, catering etc. Volunteers should be flexible enough to

work long and unusual hours – and enjoy music! Speaking or understanding basic German will be a plus!

ACCOMMODATION & FOOD: The group will be lodging in tents on the site of the festival, where all helpers will also stay. Food will be served in the festival canteen throughout the day. Sanitary facilities are provided, but be aware of festival standards. Expect very basic amenities!

LOCATION: Karlstadt is situated in the Bavarian region called Franconia. The town is home to around 7000 inhabitants and has a historical touch to it. If you are interested in architecture, you will find lots of traditional, German buildings in the town centre. Also, with its vast vineyards and rolling hills, the region provides an opportunity for some calm and relaxing outdoor activities as an alternative to the hectic life of the festival.

NEXT AIRPORT: Frankfurt, Nuernberg

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Karlstadt

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: *We ask for a motivation letter to be sent with the application!*

IBG 16 Augsburg (Bavaria) 16.07. - 29.07.2014 CONS 12 vols

PROJECT: The city of Augsburg has invited several workcamps in the past and is once again excited to welcome an international group! This year, the group will help with the garden area around the day care centre at the Auferstehungskirche, a local Evangelic-Lutheran church. It is a multicultural centre taking care of 75 children from 25 different nations. The gardens and the outdoor facilities around the day care centre need to be renewed and a new play place will be designed. We ask you to come with an open heart!

WORK: The work will be done with the help of the children and their parents. The area needs to be re-designed to provide play equipment appropriate for all ages. Tasks will include planting new bushes and a lot of garden work. Your team will also be helping to construct play areas both for the older children, as well as a separate area designed for the younger ones. Be ready to meet and work closely with many locals!

ACCOMMODATION: The youth club “Lehmbau” is located in the outskirts of the city of Augsburg, next to a big swimming lake. It is a meeting point for children and youth from the neighbourhood and offers several options for leisure activities, such as: beach volleyball, climbing, canoeing or taking care of and having fun with the animals (donkey, sheep, goats, rabbits, etc.). The team will be accommodated in one room in the youth centre. Sanitary facilities and kitchen are included.

LOCATION: Since its founding by Caesar Augustus - after whom it was named, the city of Augsburg has stood at the intersection of some of the most important trade and travel routes on the continent. Today, the population is about 280,000. The youth club can be reached from the inner city by bike or in 20 minutes by bus. Only 200m away from the youth club there is a nice lake for swimming and relaxing in the sun on the shore.

NEXT AIRPORT: Munich

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Augsburg

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: *Since you will be in touch with children, you need a certificate of good conduct with you! Please send it as soon as you are confirmed for this project and bring with you the original! It would be good if the certificate was translated into English!*

IBG 17 Hoetensleben (Saxony-Anhalt) 18.07. - 09.08.2014 CONS/FEST 15 vols

PROJECT: The village of Hoetensleben was situated directly on the eastern side of the German-German border when Germany was divided during the period of the cold war. An association called “Grenzdenkmalverein” was founded after the fall of the Iron Curtain, which maintained four hundred meters of the former frontier protections system as a kind of open-air-museum. Visitors can still experience the different walls and electric fences, the watchtowers and iron barriers and get an impression of the violence that took place here.

WORK: There are three main tasks waiting for you: First, every year there is a festival taking place called “Rock am Rathaus”. Before the event, you will help set up the stalls and the

stage and then disassembly after the festival. Your second task will include maintenance and repair work at the memorial itself. Finally, you will help to improve and extend the existing geo-caching tour which was set up by the workcamp team last year. Several spots linked to the history of Hoetensleben have already been established. One concrete task might be to translate the geo-caching descriptions. Also note that the workcamp includes several study-parts on this period of the German history with several excursions and activities together with local people. The highlight of these might be your excursion to Berlin where you will visit the Bundestag (German Parliament)!

ACCOMMODATION: In the former village hall are different sleeping rooms with beds provided.

LOCATION: Hoetensleben is a little village with approx. 2,500 inhabitants. International workcamps have been invited for some 14 years, so local inhabitants are looking forward to welcoming the volunteers. Many activities will be done together with local associations e.g. the voluntary fire brigade of Hoetensleben. Volunteers should be interested in close contact with the German population and in learning German history. Therefore, volunteers should add a short motivation letter describing their interest in this special project.

NEXT AIRPORT: Hanover, Berlin

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Helmstedt

REQUIREMENTS: *Volunteers need to be able to ride a bike! Please include a motivation letter with your application.*

IBG 18 Maulbronn (Baden-Wurtemberg) 19.07. - 03.08.2014 RENO/ENVI 15 vols

PROJECT: Maulbronn, in the southern German state of Baden-Wurtemberg, is looking for the help of an international Workcamp in the maintenance of the area near the town's monastery. The branched ditch system around this building has been a UNESCO- world cultural heritage site since 1993. The goal is to renew and improve protection of these historical ditches.

WORK: A variety of interesting tasks await you at this famed site. One task will be to work on the ditches to remove vegetation cover and other things which stop the drainage, as well as renewal of a few small ditches. You will document all your tending strategies and record where the highest danger of erosion on the ditches is. The team will also help to raise awareness of this intricate system, for example by using an information board or other materials.

ACCOMMODATION: in a hikers' hut in a neighbourhood of Maulbronn. In the house you will find everything what you need for your stay - several sleeping rooms with beds, showers, toilets and a kitchen.

LOCATION: Maulbronn is a town in the district of Karlsruhe, in Baden-Wurtemberg. The town is very famous for its monastery, of which you can take a guided tour. The territory of Maulbronn is very rural, providing many hiking or biking trails. Maulbronn is conveniently situated near many towns like Pforzheim, Bruchsal, Ludwigsburg, Stuttgart and Karlsruhe.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart, Karlsruhe

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Maulbronn

IBG 19 Heilsbronn (Bavaria) 20.07. – 01.08.2014 ENVI/CONS 12 vols

PROJECT: After the success of the projects in the last six years, the town of Heilsbronn is looking forward to hosting another workcamp this year. The person in charge of the workcamp in the town hall is a big fan of workcamps and international groups and has already introduced other neighbouring cities to the workcamp idea. There will be different environmental and constructional goals to be achieved by the international group around this beautiful town in Bavaria.

WORK: As in previous years, the community is very happy to have a group of volunteers supporting them in environmental tasks, such as the maintenance of the Vita Parcours fitness trail. Here, workers will clear the trail of over-grown plants and perform general clean up. Work will also be done in the local municipal park of "Naturlehrgarten". This unique park

includes several stations that explain to visitors about environmental issues. You will be building a wooden bridge, as well as doing some garden work. One of this year's tasks specifically involves installing a padded area for bare-foot activities related to one of the stations and completing some landscaping in the area.

ACCOMMODATION: The team will be staying in JUZ, the local youth club. The building includes a kitchen and all necessary facilities. The local youth who normally visit the club, are looking forward to welcoming you and get to know the group.

LOCATION: The town of Heilsbronn is located in the idyllic Bavarian region called „Franken“ (“Franconia”). Typical for this small town of 9300 inhabitants, are the traditional, half-timbered houses. Nature-lovers can find several hiking trails in the beautiful surrounding landscape. Heilsbronn also offers a few unique sites within the city, such as the Romanesque monastery and the local cathedral. Most notably, Heilsbronn lies along the path known as “the Way to St. James” or “Camino de Santiago”. For this reason, the region is adorned by many old churches and frequently visited by tourists as well as pilgrims.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart, Frankfurt or Nuremberg

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Heilsbronn

IBG 20 Weissach (Baden-Wurttemberg) 30.07.-16.08.2014 KIDS 14 vols

AGE: 18 – 30 years old

PROJECT: Every year during the school holidays, the community of Weissach organises a summer camp for children aged 6 - 14. After last year's success and great cooperation, they are looking forward to interacting with international volunteers for the 5th time. For this summer camp, it is planned to have approximately 25 leaders, including German professional educators and 14 international volunteers.

WORK: Specific tasks will be attending to and looking after the kids and youngsters during different activities, such as: excursions, games and bonfire - a typical summer camp! In the beginning of the camp, all leaders will help set up the camp site and plan the activities together. Two leaders (one international, one German) will be in charge of a group of 15 kids. The centre of the camp will be a big circus tent which will host different activities. So, if you like spending time with an international group and children, if you like to be asked a lot of (German) questions, and you love to provide an outlet for the curiosity of children – you are the perfect participant for this camp! Welcome to Weissach! Working hours will be long but very rewarding and you will spend your free time mostly together with the kids (going on a trip with the kids on the weekend for example)! *Some knowledge of the German language would be helpful but isn't obligatory! Your days off will not be during weekends. The host will organise free time activities!*

ACTIVITIES: In the beginning, the group will be introduced to the project and have the chance to experience some major team-building activities so that all leaders can smoothly work together and make the stay worthwhile.

ACCOMMODATION & FOOD: The first few days, while the camp is being set up, the international group will stay in a school building, where all sanitary facilities are provided. During the summer camp, all leaders and kids will stay in tents on the camp site. Although the workcamp will take place during summer months, be aware that the nights are very cold. Please bring a warm sleeping bag, a thick sleeping mat and rainwear!!! All facilities will be available. Food will be served.

LOCATION: Weissach is a village with around 7000 inhabitants, very active and dedicated to the project. It is located close to Stuttgart, the state-capitol of Baden-Wurtemberg, but also has a lot of nature to experience and enjoy after work or on the weekends. The international group will have the chance to meet local people, interact with German youth and exchange cultural nuances.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart (30 km)

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Stuttgart, Leonberg

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: *The local host requires a motivation letter. Please also be aware that in this workcamp, only volunteers between 18 and 30 years will be accepted!*

IBG 21 Schenkenzell (Baden-Wurttemberg) 02.08. - 16.08.2014 CONS/RENO 14 vols

PROJECT: The community of Schenkenzell invites an international workcamp back for the third time! The project will take place on the castle ruin of “Schenkenburg,” built in 1255. During the last four years, the “Schenkenburg” has undergone renovations. With the support of the international volunteers, several different tasks will be completed!

WORK: The volunteers are responsible for the improvement of the trails and other tasks to increase the castle’s safety. Specific tasks include: extending trails, putting up railings, as well as some gardening work, like cutting and removing bushes and plants. In general, the team’s efforts will improve the castle’s attraction for visitors.

ACCOMMODATION: You will live directly in the centre of the village. The gym hall provides a comfortable stay for the group, including beds, showers and a kitchen. The hall is also normally used for different kind of activities, partys and events. All necessary things can be found in Schenkenzell itself (bakery, pharmacy and the like). For proper shopping there are bigger supermarkets around 5 km away.

LOCATION: The small, beautiful community of Schenkenzell is situated directly in the middle of the Black Forest. With approximately 1800 inhabitants, Schenkenzell has a lot to offer! The volunteers will have many possibilities for their free time activities, such as an afternoon at the local brewery, an excursion to a near-by amusement park and many other interesting towns close to Schenkenzell.

NEXT AIRPORT: Karlsruhe (Baden-Baden) for Ryan Air flights, Stuttgart or Basel-Mulhouse.

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Schenkenzell

IBG 22 Gerlingen (Baden-Wurttemberg) 02.08. - 23.08.2014 CONS/ENVI 12 vols

PROJECT: Gerlingen, a town of 20,000 inhabitants, is looking forward to working with the volunteers of its first workcamp! Volunteers can expect many different landscaping and gardening tasks, working directly in the town-centre.

WORK: The main task is to rebuild and further construct the stream-bank. Specific tasks include laying large stones in the stream to improve the water quality. In addition, the team will construct a wood bridge, which will join the two banks and provide a faster route for walkers.

ACCOMMODATION: The international team will stay in a school gym directly next to the work-site. The accommodation provides all sanitary facilities, kitchen and camp-beds for the volunteers.

LOCATION: Gerlingen, a quaint town in Baden-Wurttemberg, has many traditional half-timbered houses, as well as new and modern architecture. Gerlingen is surrounded by forests and several cultural sites, and offers many interesting attractions including, castle Solitude and Baden-Wurttemberg’s state capitol, Stuttgart, only 30 minutes away by public transportation. The area offers both natural entertainment as well as cultural activities.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Gerlingen

IBG 23 Welzheim (Baden-Wurttemberg) 03.08. - 16.08.2014 CONS/RENO 12 vols

PROJECT: This year, Welzheim looks forward to its first experience with an international workcamp. Our project partner will be Nikolauspflge, an organization aiming to support the blind as well as seeing-impaired people with mental or physical handicap. The area provides various facilities: living quarters, a café, leisure time and other supportive activities as well as a workshop where those with a seeing handicap may learn and work in different jobs. This is a perfect workcamp for those looking to make a difference, working alongside an organization whose purpose is to positively impact the world!

WORK: The task for you and your team will be to rearrange the garden of the Nikolauspflge. The aim is to create a space for the seeing-impaired and handicapped where they can enjoy free-time and which is also suitable for their needs. It shall become “a garden for all senses”.

Specific tasks will include removing of bushes and replanting flowers and herbs, as well as removing paving stones and preparing the ground to set up new wheelchair-suitable paths. The small summer house also needs to be renovated (renewing the roof, painting the walls). Here, you will help design a place to rest and relax: a place with benches, a barbecue pit and even a swing for people with wheelchairs!

ACCOMODATION: The group accommodation is directly on the work site. It offers all necessary living facilities, including beds, showers and a kitchen. A bus station and supermarkets are close-by.

LOCATION: The charming, old town of Welzheim (around 11000 inhabitants) is situated quite close to Stuttgart among the green hills of the Swabian Forest. The town was, until 1911, the end-point of one of many train lines that were part of the railway expansion efforts began by the Wurttemberg monarchy. Still today, you may enjoy a ride with the steam railway through the forests and near-by towns. The area offers you many possibilities to go hiking, biking, swimming a near-by lake, or take a visit to Stuttgart, the capital of the state Baden-Wurttemberg.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Schorndorf

IBG 24 Gaeufelden (Baden-Wurttemberg) 03.08. - 23.08.2014 CONS/RENO 12 vols

PROJECT: In the 1970s, three previously independent villages merged to create the community of Gaeufelden; today with a population around 9000 inhabitants. Throughout the town and the surrounding land, many dry-stone walls are used as field boundaries and can be seen as a biosphere for particular animals and plants. A dry-stone wall is one that is constructed from stones without any mortar to bind them together. The wall is held up only by the interlocking stones, which must be carefully selected by their shape.

WORK: The municipality again invites an international workcamp to help construct and repair the dry-stone walling. Volunteers will be supervised by a worker, who will teach them the best techniques. Work will be challenging yet rewarding, as you will be learning a skill used for hundreds of centuries on the construction of some of the world's most famous buildings and monuments. Volunteers should bring old clothes, sturdy boots and be ready to get their hands dirty!

ACCOMODATION: The group will be accommodated in a building used as a youth centre. It includes kitchen, sanitary facilities and is situated in a smaller part of Gaeufelden.

LOCATION: Gaeufelden is a village in the county of Boeblingen and about 30 km distance from the city of Stuttgart. Hiking trips in the nearby Black Forest are possible as well as excursions to other cities in the area. The small size of the village provides the opportunity for close contact with the locals, which is always an exciting and important part of IBG workcamps!

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Gaeufelden

IBG 25 Kirchberg/Jagst (Baden-Wurttemberg) 03.08. - 23.08.2014 CONS 12 vols

PROJECT: This year, we are excited to offer our first workcamp in Kirchberg/Jagst. Kirchberg is a small historical town with approximately 4500 inhabitants. It is situated among rolling hills and is partly named after the river Jagst, flowing through it. Due to its beautiful landscape, there are many often-used hiking trails in and around the town.

WORK: Your work will consist of constructing and renovating some of these hiking trails, which are partly in bad condition. This also includes replacing old signs and setting up new ones. Please be aware that all tasks will be outside!

ACCOMMODATION: The volunteers will stay in a local boarding school. The school includes all necessities for living, such as, a kitchen and all sanitary facilities.

LOCATION: Kirchberg, itself, offers a charming, old city centre and a beautiful castle. Of course, you will also have the opportunity to go hiking or biking. Easily accessible by public

transportation are several larger towns, such as: Schwaebisch Hall, Heilbronn, Nuremberg and Stuttgart, the capital of Baden-Wuerttemberg.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart, Nuremberg

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Ilshofen-Eckartshausen, Rot am See, Crailsheim

IBG 26 Bernburg (Saxony-Anhalt) 03.08. - 24.08.2014 RENO 12 vols

PROJECT: Our long-time project partner of Bernburg is pleased to host another international workcamp. This year's project is perfect for anyone interested in art and architecture! Your inspiration will come from the famous Austrian artist Friedensreich Hundertwasser.

WORK: The project will take place in the local youth club. The team will complete the renovation of several of the rooms in the building. Specific work will be done in the sanitary area next to the music room. All work will be based on the architectural style of Hundertwasser. Volunteers will visit one of the famous Hundertwasser houses in the near-by city of Magdeburg, where they will gain a better understanding of Hundertwasser's techniques.

ACCOMMODATION: The accommodation will be on the first floor of the youth club, with all facilities needed, such as: kitchen, a shower and a bathroom. Participants will sleep on sport mats. The volunteers will interact regularly with the local youth who visit the club often.

LOCATION: Bernburg, itself, is a town with a history of more than 1000 years and is situated in the eastern part of Germany. Overlooking the valley formed by the Saale river, is a medieval castle. There are plenty of possibilities for leisure activities, such as visiting the town, grabbing a drink in a local pub, taking an excursion to cities like Leipzig or Magdeburg, canoeing on the river, hiking, or simply making conversation with the locals.

NEXT AIRPORT: Leipzig or Berlin

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Bernburg

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: *Volunteers need to be able to ride a bike!*

IBG 27 Stuttgart U&D (Baden-Wuerttemberg) 04.08. - 12.08.2014 FEST 12 vols

Basic conditions!!!

PROJECT: In the summer months, Germany is host to a variety of music festivals and events. One of those festivals – called “Umsonst&Draussen” (free of charge & outdoors) – will take place at the campus of the University of Stuttgart outside the city centre, running for three days, from August 8-10 (www.ud-stuttgart.de). The association which is running the whole thing has been organising this festival for 35 years now! Last year's festival was the first one with support from an international Workcamp. Since it was such a great success, we are glad to have again a Workcamp at this festival in IBG's home town in 2014.

WORK: The international group will work together with many other volunteers from the association. The main tasks will be setting up of the stage, stalls and tents on the site of the festival, as well as the disassembly at the end. While the festival is running, the volunteers will assist in different areas: bar, stage, organisation, catering etc. Volunteers should be flexible enough to work long and unusual hours – and enjoy music! Speaking or understanding basic German will be a plus! The group might be asked to give a short presentation of their Workcamp on stage!

ACCOMMODATION & FOOD: In the first days, the group will be hosted in a cultural centre in Stuttgart, where you have a kitchen, sanitary facilities and one room for sleeping. On the third day, you will move to the site of the festival. There, the accommodation will be in a big tent. We encourage you to bring your own tent, if possible! Food will be served in the festival canteen throughout the day. Sanitary facilities are given, but be aware of festival standards: possibly only cold, outdoor showers available and limited privacy compared to “regular” accommodations!

LOCATION: With 600,000 inhabitants, Stuttgart is the state-capitol of Baden-Wuerttemberg. From museums, to castles and parks, to an afternoon spent shopping, this city offers something for everyone to see! In addition, take a short train ride and enjoy the variety of

nature around Stuttgart. Take a visit to some of the other interesting towns in the area, like Tuebingen (approximately 1 hour away) and Ludwigsburg (approximately 30 minutes away).

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart, Frankfurt

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Stuttgart

IBG 28 Todtmoos (Baden-Wuerttemberg) 10.08. - 23.08.2014 ENVI 12 vols

PROJECT: The town of Todtmoos eagerly invites its first international workcamp! It is situated in the very south of the Black Forest, in a rural area of woods and mountains and the town needs your help to maintain the agricultural area around the town.

WORK: The main task will be environmental work outside – so be prepared to work manually and in the sun! You will help thin out groves by removing old branches and cutting bushes. Some hiking trails need to be cut free, and in the park areas of the town needs weed to be removed. Also, during your stay, there will be some small festivals within the town and you might be asked to lend a helping hand.

ACCOMODATION: The group will stay in the local school where they will find a kitchen, toilets and plenty of living-space. Showers are available in the local gym which is only 200m away.

LOCATION: Todtmoos is a small and cosy spa town. Due to its location about 820m above sea level, it is a tourist attraction in the winter, offering the possibility to go skiing or attend the annual dog-sled race. In the summer months, this beautiful, mountainous area provides many opportunities to go hiking, biking or to try out the high ropes course. Feldberg (1493m), the highest German mountain, excluding the Alps, is not far away with a breath-taking view of the area.

NEXT AIRPORT: Zurich, Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Bad Saeckingen, Wehr-Brennet (coming from Switzerland), Todtnau (from Stuttgart)

IBG 29 Kehl (Baden-Wuerttemberg) 10.08. – 24.08.2014 CONS/ENVI 10 vols

PROJECT: For the past 11 years, the city of Kehl has requested the help of international volunteers in and around their town. Work will be done in the nature and with regards to animal preservation and protection. If you're looking for two exciting weeks of close contact with a variety of animals, and plenty of outdoor work, Kehl offers the perfect place for you!

WORK: Tasks will include the construction of a clay wall for insects, the removal of foreign shrubbery within a natural habitat, and the collection of debris and trash from a pig-pen. If time allows, you will also build a nesting wall for a specific breed of bird migrant to this area.

ACCOMMODATION: The team will stay in the former city hall building: an old, half-timbered house located directly in the centre of the village of Kork, a district of Kehl. You will have access to a kitchen, two sleeping rooms, and toilets. Showers can be found in the near-by, local gym.

LOCATION: Near Kehl, lies the small village of Kork, with only 2,500 inhabitants. Kehl is easily accessible by only a few minutes on the bus. In Kork, you can buy all of your necessities in the local shops. In addition, Kork offers both cultural and natural activities; for example, visit a museum or take a swim in the small lake. Choose from a variety of interesting outings, including: the Black Forest, Heidelberg, Baden-Baden, Freiburg or simply a hike through the nature of southern Germany.

NEXT AIRPORT: Strasbourg (10km), Frankfurt (Main) (150km), Baden airport (30km).

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Kehl

IBG 30 Schwanfeld (Bavaria) 17.08. - 30.08.2014 ENVI/FEST 12 vols

PROJECT: The community of Schwanfeld is the oldest village in Germany. Some years back, proof was found of a former Bandkeramik (Linear Pottery Culture) settlement outside of the

present village from presumably 5500 B.C. Schwanfeld is happy to show their treasures of the olden days to international volunteers and invite a group to get to know more about the south of Germany. This is the sixth time a workcamp will take place in Schwanfeld – and all citizens will be very welcoming and excited to meet the new volunteers after the success of previous years. Invitations by local associations and the village youngsters have led to many cordial encounters and friendships in the past.

WORK: A variety of exciting task await you! Depending on the weather, you will help out in the local museums (cleaning and restoration). If applicable, you will also work to renovate hiking trails, possibly set up signs for a nature trail, clean out a stream, or do similar renovation and landscape work to support the Municipal Maintenance Department. Also during your stay, you will be helping out with the annual fair that will be taking place. You will work with locals to prepare for the festival, provide a helping hand in the stalls during the fair, and assist in dismantling afterwards. This will give you the chance to get in touch with the people of the Schwanfeld community and learn more about local traditions!

ACCOMMODATION: The group will live in the local gym hall next to the school where they will have access to toilets and showers. The nearby community centre will provide a kitchen for you to use.

LOCATION: Schwanfeld is situated in the north-western part of Bavaria, in between the cities of Schweinfurt and Wuerzburg. Only about 2,000 people live in this small community. The very motivated and active mayor of the village is looking forward to accompanying the volunteers, showing them around and educating them about the historical and regional specialties of Schwanfeld. Aside from the village's own sights and events (museum, church, local annual fair which was the highlight of last year's workcamp) there is the ambient nature and nearby, larger cities like Wuerzburg to discover.

NEXT AIRPORT: Nuremberg

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Waigolshausen

IBG 31 Fuchstal (Bavaria) 17.08. - 05.09.2014 CONS/ENVI 15 vols

PROJECT: The small, Bavarian village of Fuchstal welcomes you and the rest of the team to become part of their community as you participate in this international workcamp. The people in the village are looking forward to meeting you and offer you three, unforgettable and exiting weeks.

WORK: In the first two weeks, you will work in the wooded area around Fuchstal. There, you will do different work for rural conservation, such as: cutting back plants and bushes, as well as dismantling a fence. The work in the third week will likely take place in the village. Your time in Fuchstal offers you a variety of work activities, from useful activities in the nature, to working with the locals in the village!

ACCOMODATION: You will stay in a beautiful hut directly in the forest. The hut provides a kitchen, a bar, a day room, all sanitary facilities and a sleeping room. Outside, there is a terrace and a place for barbecuing. In addition, your free-time can be spent hiking or playing games on the sport's field next to the accommodation. Pay a visit to the village "Leeder" easily reached by foot.

LOCATION: The community Fuchstal, with around 3600 inhabitants, is located in the southwest of Bavaria at the foot of the Alps. Near your accommodation are many small lakes, perfect for a relaxing swim after a day of work. In your free time, you can enjoy the nature with a bike-ride through the forest, or take in the beautiful views with a hike to a mountain-peak of the near-by Alps. Munich, Bavaria's state capital (distance from Fuchstal around 80 km), and Augsburg (distance around 50 km) are both accessible by train and public transport. Near Fuchstal, is a beautiful lake called "Ammersee," one of the largest lakes in Bavaria!

NEXT AIRPORT: Munich

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Kaufringen/Buchleue

IBG 32 Heidesheim (Rhineland-Palatinate) 24.08. - 07.09.2014 RENO/ENVI 12 vols

PROJECT: This summer, the hiking club and community of Heidesheim invite you and the rest of the volunteers to join in an exciting international Workcamp. The project will take place in Heidesheim's wooded area, in a place called "7 Weiher" (7 Ponds). There, you will find a few small lakes, terrace-like arranged and flowing into one another through small streams. The area used to be a well-known tourist site; however, today the area is quite overgrown with bushes and trees.

WORK: Your task will be to work around the ponds, clearing the area and making it accessible. This includes mainly gardening work (cutting bushes, removing matured forest, cleaning the ponds) but may also include construction work like setting up benches and tables.

ACCOMMODATION: The group will stay in a house belonging to the hiking club. The house includes toilets, a kitchen and camp beds. It is situated next to the working place – so be prepared to live in the forest, 3km from the next town! During the day you won't be alone anyway, since there will be a summer camp for children on the same area; in the evenings and during the night you'll have the place on your own. But don't worry: The town of Heidesheim provides bikes for you, so you will be independent!

LOCATION: Heidesheim is a small community with approximately 7000 inhabitants. Living directly in this wooded area, allows you to stay active (biking, hiking) in your free-time! Also, Heidesheim is situated very close to the city Mainz and near the well-known river Rhine.

NEXT AIRPORT: Frankfurt

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Heidesheim (Rheinhess)

REMARKS: *You should be able to ride a bike!*

IBG 33 Backnang (Baden-Württemberg) 24.08. - 13.09.2014 ENVI/SOCI 12 vols

PROJECT: The town of Backnang invites you to join a very interesting, cross-generation project! You will work for the local nursing home, which also provides an assisted living residence, so there will be plenty of occasions to get in contact with the elderly: For example, you may join the evening events or have your lunch with the residents.

WORK: Next to the nursing home there is fallow land, which is supposed to become a park for the residents. This will include removing old plants, planting new ones, setting up paths and benches, and more. Don't be afraid that it will be too much work – you will get some help from the elderly, too!

ACCOMMODATION: to be confirmed.

LOCATION: Backnang, with about 35.000 inhabitants, offers a very nice, car-free city centre, where you will find everything you need! It is situated close to Stuttgart (about 30 minutes by tram), the capital of Baden-Württemberg, so you may enjoy both: The surrounding nature with its hills and forests, and the city life of Stuttgart.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Backnang

REMARKS: *You don't need to speak German necessarily; however, having some basic knowledge of the language will surely help!*

IBG 34 Marbach/Neckar (Baden-Württemberg) 24.08. – 13.09.14 KIDS 9 vols

PROJECT: The local partner is the youth-and leisure centre „Jugend-Kultur-Haus planet-x“ (www.planet-x-marbach.de). You will help in their yearly giant-summer holiday project for more than 100 children aged between 6 to 12 years old which will take place from September 1st to 12th.

WORK: The focus of this year's vacation-project will be „10 days, 10 countries!“ Therefore international volunteers are especially welcome! During the first week you will help in the preparation of the project and there will even be the possibility to integrate your own ideas.

The second and third week you are required to take care for and help around 5-15 children in one of the many different creative workshops, games, fun-, sports- and outdoor-activities. You will also be asked to present your home country on one of the days. Working hours during the play scheme will be Monday to Friday, start in the morning till late the afternoon (so working hours can be quite long). You will work together with about 25 local volunteers – a perfect opportunity to come in contact.

ACCOMMODATION: The accommodation will probably in a youth club in the neighbouring village of Rielingshausen (to be confirmed). A kitchen, different offers for the leisure time, showers and all other necessary facilities are at your disposal.

LOCATION: Marbach is a very romantic city in the Neckar valley about 20km north of Stuttgart. Marbach has a population of about 15.000 and is known as the birth place of the famous German poet Friedrich Schiller. The Schiller National Museum and the German Literature Archive are popular destinations. The town has a picturesque centre with several churches and many historical houses.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Marbach am Neckar

REQUIREMENTS: *Basic knowledge of German is recommended and really helpful for the contact with the kids, but the camp languages will be both German and English. Please send a motivation letter showing your interest in the project and what you can contribute (skills, hobbies and experiences with kids and/or youth-work, theatre, music, arts, dancing etc).*

IBG 35 Waldshut-Tiengen (Baden-Wuerttemberg) 24.08. – 14.09.2014 KIDS 10 vols

PROJECT: Our project partners in Waldshut-Tiengen are looking forward to another successful year of coordination with an international workcamp. This year's project revolves around childcare in a holiday camp in Waldshut-Tiengen. The camp traditionally takes place every year in the last three weeks of the summer holidays. In total, there are 200 kids participating in the camps, aged between 7 and 15 years. Events can have between 8 and 80 participants at a time. If you enjoy working with children, this three-week workcamp is perfect for you!

WORK: The volunteers will be working, at most, 30 hours per week; however, working hours may vary from day to day. Participants should be ready to work more than 8 hours a day when necessary. Events usually take place Monday through Friday and there is a Closing Festival on Saturday, September 13th. The tasks include child-care and project documentation, including: photography, filming, and possibly editing of the footage.

ACCOMMODATION: The group will be staying in a building of the municipality.

LOCATION: Waldshut-Tiengen, a small town of 22,600 inhabitants in south-western Germany, lies on the border of Switzerland. With the Rhine River and Black Forest both near-by, this area offers a variety of outdoor activities. Spend an afternoon hiking through the Black Forest Nature Park, or travel to Lake Constance for a ride on the ferry or a day of swimming in the refreshing water. Cities near-by worth visiting are the picturesque towns of Freiburg, Basel and Zurich, the capitol of Switzerland.

NEXT AIRPORT: Zurich, Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Waldshut-Tiengen

REQUIREMENTS: *As the camp will involve mostly interaction with children, the local host asks you to bring the certificate of good conduct with you! German knowledge and leadership skills are preferred and will be helpful. Interest in photography and outdoor activities is also good; however, previous experience is not required. Please provide a motivation letter with your application.*

IBG 36 Wangen (Baden-Wuerttemberg) 30.08. - 13.09.2014 KIDS 12 vols

PROJEKT: Nun bereits zum siebten Mal laedt die Stadt Wangen zu einem Workcamp ein, das bei den lokalen Ferienspielen und –aktivitaeten fuer Kinder unterstuetzen soll. Waehrend der ersten Woche findet die Spielstadt „Mini-Wangen“ statt: Hier sind Kinder im Alter von 7

bis 10 Jahren eingeladen, die eine Woche lang verschiedene Berufe ausprobieren: Buergermeister, Zeitungsreporter, ... In der zweiten Woche findet ein mittelalterliches Ferienprogramm fuer Kinder auf einer Burg statt.

ARBEIT: Die TeilnehmerInnen des Workcamps unterstuetzen die Kinder bei verschiedenen Aktivitaeten in der Spielstadt – in den Bereichen Sport, Spiel und Handwerk. Die Freiwilligen arbeiten gemeinsam mit lokalen Betreuern zusammen, um das Programm innerhalb und im Außenbereich des Jugendhauses und in der Stadt zu beaufsichtigen. Ungefaehr 120 Kinder werden daran teilnehmen! In der zweiten Woche helfen die Freiwilligen mit bei dem mittelalterlichen Ferienprogramm auf der Burg mit.

UNTERKUNFT: Die Gruppe lebt in einem gut ausgestatteten Selbstversorgerhaus (Kueche und Sanitaeranlagen sind vorhanden). Es handelt sich um ein Gruppenhaus neben dem staedtischen Kloster. Die Moenche sind sehr freundlich und freuen sich auf den Austausch.

UMGEBUNG: Wangen ist eine schoene alte Stadt in der Region „Allgaeu“. Sie liegt in der Naehe der Alpen und der Laender Schweiz und Oesterreich. Die Umgebung ist vielseitig und laedt dazu ein, den Bodensee und die Alpen zu entdecken. Doch auch die Stadt Wangen selbst hat mit seinen Fachwerkhaeusern und der langen Geschichte, die bis ins Jahr 815 zurueckgeht, viel an Kultur und Sehenswuerdigkeiten zu bieten.

NAECHSTER FLUGHAFEN: Stuttgart, Memmingen, Muenchen

NAECHSTER BAHNHOF: Wangen

WICHTIG: *Da die Freiwilligen mit Kindern arbeiten, sind gute Deutschkenntnisse Voraussetzung! Außerdem ist ein Motivationsschreiben gefordert.*

Just for internal information:

PROJECT: It is the sixth time that the municipality of Wangen invites a workcamp to help out at the local summer festivals and activities for children. During the first week a play scheme called “Mini-Wangen” will run and children at the age of 7-10 years are invited to participate in this “mini-town” where the kids may give various professions a try: Being a major, a journalist ... During the second week a medieval play scheme will take place on a castle.

WORK: The participants of the workcamp will help and support to take care of the kids at several different activities at the play scheme in the first week. They are generally helping the children to enjoy their summer holidays, in cooperation with the local camp counselors. There will be about 120 children taking part – which can be stressful but also fun and very rewarding. The other task will be to will help out at the medieval summer festival for children which takes places in a castle! The activities take place from 8-14 o'clock.

ACCOMMODATION & FOOD: You will stay in a well-equipped self-catering house belonging to a monastery close to the city centre. All sanitary facilities and kitchen are available – and the monks (neighbours) are very welcoming. The group will prepare meals for themselves.

LOCATION: Wangen is a beautiful city situated in the southern German region called “Allgaeu”, close to the borders of Austria and Switzerland. The region lies close to the Alps and is therefore provided with a diverse nature of mountains, meadows, waterfalls and the like. There is a lot to discover in terms of history and nature, old castles, mountain trails, the Lake Constance. But also Wangen itself has much to offer. The history of the city dates back to the year 815. The charm of Wangen lies within its historical buildings and southern German architectural style. Definitely two exciting, adventurous and diverse weeks are waiting for you!

NEXT AIRPORT: Munich, Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Wangen

Special requirements: *Camp language is German. German motivation letter is required.*

IBG 37 Berglen (Baden-Wurttemberg) 30.08. - 14.09.2014 CONS/RENO 12 vols

PROJECT: This summer the community of Berglen welcomes its second group of international volunteers. In the hills of south-western Germany, the team will work to improve the playgrounds in and around Berglen, where the local children spend their afternoons.

WORK: The main task is to renovate and renew the forest playground with maintenance and construction of new equipment. Other playgrounds in the area of Berglen may also need the team's creativity and handy-work.

ACCOMODATION: The group will stay in an elementary school. You will have access to two classrooms, a kitchen, the gym, the staff lounge, and all necessary sanitary facilities.

LOCATION: Berglen is a small village with approx. 5,900 inhabitants and is located 30 km away from Stuttgart, the state capitol of Baden-Wurttemberg. Surrounded by orchards, forests, fields and meadows, the community of Berglen consists of many small villages and farms. The idyllic countryside and location has become a popular recreation area.

NEXT AIRPORTS: Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Winnenden

IBG 38 Annaberg-Buchholz (Saxony) to be confirmed CONS/RENO 12 vols

PROJECT: This year, the volunteers will implement renovation work and also support the building of a playground for children. After the success of last year's workcamp, the inhabitants of Annaberg-Buchholz are looking forward to interacting with the international volunteers, again!

WORK: The participants will have to do two different tasks: First, they will support the town with the construction of a new playground. Second, the international team will renovate the café in the cultural centre, which is also their accommodation.

ACCOMMODATION: You will stay at the cultural centre „Altes Brauhaus“ (<http://www.altebrauerei-annaberg.de/>) where you have access to a kitchen, beds and sanitary facilities. Please bring a sleeping bag. The centre will be open to the public as usual; therefore, you will have plenty of occasions to meet young people from Annaberg-Buchholz! The cultural centre is not far from the city centre.

LOCATION: Annaberg-Buchholz is a city of 21,000 inhabitants. It lies in the region of Erzgebirge (Ore Mountains), in the federal state of Saxony, and quite near to the Czech border. The region was important in the early stages of industrialization, as it was the centre of metallurgy and mining. Within the city and the surrounding region, you will find many traces of these former times. There are many things to do in your free time! You can go hiking in the Ore Mountains, visit a mine, or take a day-trip to Chemnitz or Dresden, or even to Czech Republic!

NEXT AIRPORT: Leipzig, Dresden, Nuremberg, Frankfurt

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Annaberg-Buchholz

IBG T01 Dornstetten (Baden-Württemberg) 20.07. – 03.08.2014 TEEN/RENO 12 vols
AGE: 16-17

PROJECT: For the first year, the city of Dornstetten and the local youth centre called “Powerpoint” would like to welcome a team of international volunteers to their community. The youth centre is located in the old train station building and offers various leisure activities for all children from the first class and youngsters.

WORK: Your task will be to renew and to repair the youth centre in Dornstetten. Tasks will include different kinds of renovation work, like plastering and painting. The team will receive the support of local youth, offering a good chance to interact closely and get to know locals of the same age. The working times will be in the afternoon and all working days will be finished off with a common meal. The locals are looking forward to a cooperative effort with the volunteers!

ACCOMMODATION: The international group will live in the youth centre, where you will find all sanitary facilities (apart from showers!) and a kitchen. Camp beds are provided but please bring your own sleeping bag! The volunteers will have access to the showers in the local swimming pool building, situated close-by the youth centre.

LOCATION: Dornstetten is a small town with 8000 inhabitants and it is famous for its old town centre, featuring traditional half-timbered houses. Dornstetten is surrounded by a beautiful, and varied, natural landscape. It is perfect for walking, biking or hiking! Nevertheless, Dornstetten is situated close-by many larger towns, including: Freudenstadt (approx. 6 minutes distance); the city Karlsruhe (approx. 2 hours distance); and Stuttgart (approx. 1 hours distance), the capital of Baden-Württemberg.

NEXT AIRPORTS: Karlsruhe, Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Dornstetten Bahnhof

EXTRA FEE: 120,- €

IBG T02 Nuertingen (Baden-Württemberg) 20.07. - 04.08.2014 TEEN/MANU 15 vols
Visualize the rights of the child!

AGE: 16-17

PROJECT: The town of Nürtingen looks to bring awareness to the rights of children with the help of international youngsters. The aim is to make the different articles of children’s rights visible and understandable. The volunteers will work on this topic with the children, and therefore, stay in contact with locals!

WORK: The visualization of the rights of children includes much creative work, for example: the designing of t-shirts and bags, the development of pictograms, the preparation of a bench’s foundation, and mosaic work. Furthermore, the group will complete some active work, like the collaboration in cultural festivals, the presentation of the work’s results, and the participation in other activities. The volunteers will work in a cultural, social and ecological centre, which is called “AlteSeegrasspinnerei” (old spinning of seagrass). There, you will get the support of artists and pedagogues. Please be aware that the work will be challenging at times!

ACCOMMODATION: Please bring your own sleeping bag!

LOCATION: Nürtingen is a beautiful old town with approx. 40,000 inhabitants and is directly situated on the Neckar River. There are many bicycle and hiking trails around Nürtingen. It is also possible to visit the close city of Stuttgart, the capital of Baden Württemberg, and Esslingen, a quaint, medieval town with traditional German architecture.

NEXT AIRPORT: Stuttgart

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Nuertingen Bahnhof

EXTRA FEE: 120,- €

REMARKS: *Please bring with you some positive as well as negative examples, pictures and/or stories how the rights of the children are implemented in your country and city.*