

Vacancy for EVS Volunteer in Germany

- Coordinating organisation: [Auslandsgesellschaft NRW eV](http://www.aqnrw.de)
- Host: <http://www.aqnrw.de>
- Location: Dortmund, Germany
- Start: 9 OR 10//2018
- End: 9 OR 10/2019
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- Media work in the Auslandsinstitut. You help to realize the press and media work for bilateral honorary country circles. They organize discussions , exhibitions, meetings, seminars with people from the both countries. Many possibilities to realize own ideas and projects. The Auslandsinstitut (Foreign Institute) works under the aegis of the Auslandsgesellschaft. The Institute communicates a wealth of information about "foreign" cultures as well as developing and maintaining contacts in numerous other countries. The main element supporting this work are the thirty bilateral country circles each run by honorary officials. Thanks to their workshops, talks, forums, concerts and exhibitions, they facilitate encounters and convey knowledge about life in other countries in Europe and throughout the world. Native Dortmundians and members of the ethnic communities are actively committed here. The individual volunteer would work in the department media work that is part of the Auslandsinstitut.. At the same time, the volunteers would be expected to implement their own project focused on the concept of "We in Europe".
- One result would be cultural input for both the Foreign Institute and the local community.

Within the framework of their country circle involvement, the volunteers will be able to gather practical knowledge and intercultural experience with German society and other ways of life.

She will learn how to prepare and present media products, flyers, poster, press refues, and helps to realize sometimes the discussion forums, talks, readings, country theme weeks, dances and musical soirées.

In their encounters with the honorary officials from different ethnic backgrounds, the individual volunteers will get to know, on the one hand, cultural similarities and differences.

Tasks

The main task is to support the media work of the Auslandsgesellschaft, see above. They advertise events of the country circle leaders and the Foreign Institute management. The volunteer gets the chance to realize his own project (5%-10%). Such events in the past have been: a reading from the volunteers' land of origin; the volunteer giving a talk about the political situation or about the situation for young people in that country; a musical evening; the compilation of reports about similar events; and meetings with young Dortmundians to discuss the "We in Europe" agenda. The country circles are looking forward to the fresh wind that will blow a voluntary work arena that previously tended to be organized by older people. Above all, it is hoped the volunteers will discover (a) that they and the knowledge and the culture they embody are in demand and (b) that they can bring benefits and cultural enhancement to others. The volunteers will sit in on Foreign Institute team meetings at least once a week and thus become conversant with the planning and organization details behind intercultural work. Furthermore, they will be able to take part in arranging AG NRW seminars and excursions (dealing with the theme of European integration) to Berlin and Brussels.

A subordinate task is to assist the country circle leaders with the preparation of evening programmes and distributing info material and readers or producing flyers and posters or decorating and setting up the room(s) or schedule management or etc. Following the induction period, there is a possibility of taking on tasks with greater content responsibility. Organizing an own project on the theme "We In Europe":

Under supervision, preparing and accompanying seminar excursions to Berlin and Brussels and EVS events.

Profile of the volunteer

Age between 19 and 27.

We need a person who has a big interest in intercultural exchange, open, friendly, teamworker, and has very good German language skills.

Because we have a lot of office work, we prefer German language skills on level B2 or C1.