

WORKCAMPS IN GERMANY

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Congratulations,

Now you are holding our workcamp program for 2017 in your hands.

All our workcamps will take place in the north-eastern part of Germany: in or near Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. This area is well-known for its beautiful countryside and the large amount of lakes.

On the map at the back you can see the exact places where we are arranging workcamps this year.

You are cordially invited to participate in one (or more 😊) of them!

your NiG-Team

The camps

Every year, we organize about 16 workcamps and youth meetings in our country. In a workcamp you are in a group around 10 young people from different nations between 18 and 27, in exceptional cases at the age of 16. A work camp lasts 2 or 3 weeks. The camp language is usually English. Your work is voluntary and of benefit for the public.

You will work five days a week, a total of 30 hours. You are obliged to work because the towns, institutions and authorities with whom we cooperate with are counting on your help. Your work is unpaid but accommodation and food are free. The accommodation is in school dormitories, student hostels or tents. Please bring a sleeping bag as well as working clothes and shoes with you.

There will be many leisure time activities, events, meetings and excursions in which you can take part. Trips for instance to Berlin are also possible. We also expect you to bring in your own ideas!

If you want to participate in a camp

The program of our work camps is published in March. If you find an appropriate work camp, please fill out the volunteer exchange form and send it to our office. You should write down alternative choices, in case it is not possible to take part in the camp you wish to.

You have to cover all costs for travelling to and from the work camp yourself. We advise you to book your tickets as early as possible in order to benefit from discount prices.

Insurance

In our camps, you are covered by insurance in case of accidents and /or illness. This insurance does not cover eye- glasses, dental treatments or cars. Please check your own insurance coverage abroad before travelling here. We advise that you buy insurance from a private health insurance company that covers transportation home in case of necessity (available at travel agencies). You may also think about insurance for your baggage.

Registration fee

We do not charge our partner organizations.

The location

The NIG office is located in Rostock. It is the biggest historical hanseatic city of the northern part of Germany, with about 200 000 residents. Rostock was founded in the 13th century and is a city with many faces, surrounded by a beautiful landscape. It is worth seeing in every season. Rostock is well- known for its interesting architecture: merchant houses, beautiful churches and remains of old city walls and gates give evidence of the city's former power and wealth. Ship building and maritime trade have always been important for Rostock. Ferry lines connect the city with other countries. Rostock is also famous for its University (founded in 1419). There are many interesting events for young people and students. You can go to cabaret, concerts, student clubs and discos, theatres and cinemas.

The former fishing village, Warnemünde which became part of the growing city, is located where the river Warnow flows into the Baltic Sea. There is a wonderful beach and excellent opportunities for swimming and relaxing. Our work camps are mainly located in the federal country of Mecklenburg- West Pomerania, to which Rostock also belongs. This area is well- known for its traditional towns and villages and for its thousand lakes, islands and natural resources. For further information please visit the website www.rostock.de (also available in English).

Advantages of taking part in a work camp

1. You only pay your travel expenses. Accommodation and food are for free.
2. We may certify your participation as a practical training.
3. You are able to help and to solve urgent problems in the region of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.
3. In the social field, we care especially for kids and handicapped people. Young people who plan to work in a social profession can find valuable experience here.
4. You will meet other young people and take part in real team work, which leaves lasting impressions. That is why many volunteers like to come again.
5. Last but not least you are given the chance to experience different regions, people, and traditions.

International work camps

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NIG01	Vogelsang	Fest	12.06.-28.06.2017	10
NIG02	Teterow I	Envi	05.06.-18.06.2017	10
NIG03	Schmarsow	Envi	12.06.-02.07.2017	10
NIG04	Rostock I	Lang	12.06.-25.06.2017	10
NIG05	Hohen Wachter Bucht	Envi/Reno	12.06.-02.07.2017	10
NIG06	Lohmen	Cons	19.06.-02.07.2017	10
NIG07	Teterow II	Envi	26.06.-09.07.2017	10
NIG08	Upahl- Lenzen I	Envi	03.07.-16.07.2017	10
NIG09	Upahl-Lenzen II	Envi	07.08.-20.08.2017	10
NIG10	Wüste & Glase	Envi	14.08.-27.08.2017	10
NIG11	Teterow III	Reno/Envi	14.08.-27.08.2017	10
NIG12	Rostock II	Cult	14.08.-27.08.2017	10
NIG13	Peenemünde I	Hist/Arch	21.08.-08.09.2017	10
NIG14	Peenemünde II	Envi	21.08.-08.09.2017	10

NIG01 Vogelsang 12.06.-28.06.2017 CULT/FEST/MANU vols: 10

Location:

The manor Vogelsang is located in between the nature parks “Mecklenburger-Schweiz” and “Kummerower See”, in the heart of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania - the north-eastern part of Germany. It had been built in 1849 but is in bad but still very romantic shape amidst an old english-styled park. Since the end of 2010 the building has a new owner, who tries his best to renovate the location in a neogothic style. With the help of creative hands, a lot of effort and a big amount of love the land marked house shall become a place of rest. Website: <http://www.herrenhaus-vogelsang.de>

Work:

The aim is to have young people actively involved with culture. After an introduction in detail the first days will be focused on the Victorian-Arts-Festival, a festival based on the Steampunk movement (literally a victorian-style, sci-fi fashion and literature-based new scene). We need helping hands to prepare the house and the garden for the festival. The main tasks will be spring-cleaning and decorating. During the festival, which takes place from the 17th to the 18th of June, the volunteers may take part in the cultural program (decorating, helping hands, maybe performing). The program of the festival consists of various concerts, workshops and readings. The time between the next festival a weekend later the participants will work in the manor. They will help with the necessary tasks that have to be done – like helping in the garden or maybe painting. The exact tasks that will be undertaken will vary and volunteers are expected to be flexible in the work they do and be prepared to participate in all of the tasks fully. The last weekend we will focus on a general castle night (Midsummer Remise), organized by the owner of the castle and his agency including 80 manors (as a warm-up).

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Lalendorf

Accommodation: The volunteers will stay in an apartment in the stables next to the mansion Vogelsang.

Food: Food is already included but the volunteers will be responsible for the cooking.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, short trips to nearby towns.

Further requirements: Work clothes, motivation and good humour!

NIG02 Teterow I 05.06.-18.06.2017 ENVI vols: 10

Location:

Teterow is a small town in the heart of the charming area known as "Mecklenburgish Switzerland". On all sides, the countryside rises and merges into forested ranges of hills. Besides the historical town centre with its marketplace, town hall and church, two medieval town gates and numerous historical buildings, visitors and tourists will find many interesting sights and destinations for excursions in Teterow and surroundings. For further information please visit www.teterow.de (also available in English and Swedish).

Work:

The volunteers will work in a nature reserve on a peninsula close to the town Teterow, called Sauerwerder and situated in the lake Teterow. It is necessary to bring working clothes! The main work will be to blaze and modernize the pedestrian walkways around Teterow and to place notice boards.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Teterow

Accommodation: The volunteers will be staying in an old house in Sauerwerder.

Food: Food is included, but meals have to be prepared by the volunteers.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, swimming, short trips to nearby towns.

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

NIG03 Schmarsow 12.06.-02.07.2017 ENVI vols:10

Location:

Schmarsow is a quite small and friendly village close to Demmin with only 300 residents. It's located in the federal state of Mecklenburg- Western Pomerania and reached its peak in the period of the Hanseatic league. You can find there a huge manor house built in the 18th century as well as a church from the 14th century. Through the 1970ties Schmarsow has been connected to a train infrastructure. Until last year the old railway building has been used as living house. In the future, it should become an accommodation for youth exchanges. There are three rivers in the nearby town Demmin, which create a fascinating and beautiful landscape.

Work:

The volunteers will renovate an old stable. The stable will be converted to an outdoor kitchen by the volunteers. The outdoor kitchen is for guests of the association "Land und Leute e.V." (www.land-und-leute-ev.de/).

They also will help to arrange the nature around the building. The exact tasks will vary and volunteers are expected to be flexible in the work they do and be prepared to participate actively in all tasks.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Demmin

Accommodation: The volunteers will be staying in a simple accommodation.

Food: Food is already included but the volunteers will be responsible for the cooking and will do it together.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, short trips to nearby towns, swimming.

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

NIG04 Rostock I 19.06.-02.07.2017 LANG vols: 10

Location:

The Hanseatic city of Rostock, founded in the 13th century is with 200.000 residents the largest city in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. It sprawls over both sides of the Warnow and enjoys a thriving overseas trade with Scandinavia through its large port facility. It is also a city of great importance where the volunteers will among other things encounter several buildings of historical and cultural value. Due to its proximity to the Baltic Sea and to the river Warnow Rostock is usually crowded with tourists. There are opportunities to organize trips to big German metropolis, like Berlin and Hamburg. Rostock is shaped through the university and the students who create a vivid and modern atmosphere. For further information about the city of Rostock please refer to the website www.rostock.de (also available in English).

Work:

The volunteers with different nationalities will assist those interested (for example high school or university students) to improve their language skills in languages such as English, Korean, Spanish, French, Russian and others. Therefore, the students will come to the building, you are teaching in. More over volunteers will be occupied with several translations.

On top of that, the volunteers will naturally have the opportunity to spend their leisure time with those students.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Hauptbahnhof (Main Station)

Accommodation: The volunteers will sleep in the building they are teaching in.

Food: Food is already included but the volunteers will be responsible for the cooking.

Leisure time activities: Short trips to nearby facilities, sport games, barbeque, parties or anything that crosses your mind can be planned! It's also important that the participants spend their free time together to get to know each other and other cultures.

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, motivation and good humour.

NIG05 Hohen Wachter Bucht 12.06.-02.07.2017 ENVI/RENO vols: 10

Location:

Gut Friederikenhof is located in the beautiful area of Ostholstein. The region is loved by tourists who search nature and silence. Never the less there are lots of attractions around. For example, a big free time park for swimming and water-ski, nice restaurants, wellness, cinema are just about 10 minutes away by car. Hamburg is an hour away and Lübeck about half an hour.

A great beach where you can swim is directly next to the farm. There are also horses, sheeps and rabbits. The coast is a very nice fishing area.

Work:

This work camp is for nature lovers, since the work will be mainly outdoors. The volunteers will help to renovate historic buildings at Gut Friederikenhof. Gut Friederikenhof is located directly at the east coast of north Germany (between Kiel and Lübeck). Together with you we would like to prepare the walls for future. Our aim is that these about 100 years old buildings stay for another century.

Nearest airports: Hamburg or Lübeck

Nearest train station: Lübeck

Accommodation: The volunteers will stay in the holiday-apartments directly at the farm. Here you can get some impressions: www.gut-friederikenhof.de

Food: Food is included, but meals have to be prepared by the volunteers.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, swimming, short trips to nearby towns.

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

NIG06 Lohmen 19.06.-02.07.2017 CONS vols: 10

Location:

Lohmen is a village between Guestrow and Goldberg. The region is famous for its lakes and forests. Lohmen is surrounded by a natural park. There are interesting possibilities for outdoor activities like a labyrinth, sports grounds, pedestrian walkways and more. There is a lake in walking distance, where you can swim. Lohmen has about 850 inhabitants and was founded approximately around the 12th century. For further information about Lohmen visit www.lohmen.de (only available in German).

Work:

Volunteers will help to renovate the archaeological nature trail of the community. Some kind of work will be to install a new footpath and create new information boards about the nature trail. The archaeological nature trail passes many interesting phenomenon's. Also, the volunteers will help to maintain public parks and the orchard.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Guestrow

Accommodation: The volunteers will be staying together in a school.

Food: Food is included, but meals have to be prepared by the volunteers.

Leisure time activities: Short trips nearby facilities, sport games, barbeque, parties or anything that crosses your mind can be planned! It's also important that the participants spend their free time together in order to get to know each other and other cultures.

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

NIG07 Teterow II 26.06.-09.07.2017 ENVI vols: 10

Location:

Teterow is a small town in the heart of the charming area known as "Mecklenburgish Switzerland". On all sides the countryside rises and merges into forested ranges of hills. Besides the historical town centre with its marketplace, town hall and church, two medieval town gates and numerous historical buildings, visitors and tourists will find many interesting sights and destinations for excursions in Teterow and surroundings. For further information please visit www.teterow.de (also available in English and Swedish).

Work:

This work camp is for nature lovers, since the work will be mainly outdoors. There is a lot of work around the natural reserve. Since it's not possible to use common agricultural techniques, volunteers have to do everything manually. More over every meadow around has to be cut and the grass have to be put aside. The aim of this project is to help to protect this unique reserve through your contribution. Every spring rare flowers like orchids grow in the meadow; they need light and space to survive. Salt and orchid meadows are typical for the region. This project will be done in cooperation with environmental agency of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Teterow

Accommodation: The volunteers will be staying in an old house in Sauerwerder.

Food: Food is included, but meals have

to be prepared by the volunteers.

Leisure time activities: Short trips to nearby facilities, sport games, barbeque, parties or anything that crosses your mind can be planned! It's also important that the participants spend their free time together in order to get to know each other and other cultures.

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

NIG08 Upahl - Lenzen I 03.07.-16.07.2017 ENVI vols: 10

Location:

Lohmen is a village between Guestrow and Goldberg. The region is famous for its lakes and forests. Lohmen is surrounded by a natural park. There are interesting possibilities for outdoor activities like a labyrinth, sports grounds, pedestrian walkways and more. There is a lake in walking distance, where you can swim. Lohmen has about 850 inhabitants and was founded approximately around the 12th century. For further information about Lohmen visit www.lohmen.de (only available in German).

Work:

This work camp is for nature lovers, since the work will be mainly outdoors. There is a lot of work around the natural reserve. Since it's not possible to use common agricultural techniques, volunteers have to do everything manually. Moreover every meadows around has to be cut and the grass have to be put aside. The aim of this project is to help to protect this unique reserve through your contribution. Every spring rare flowers like orchids grow in the meadow ; they need light and space to survive. Salt and orchid meadows are typical for the region. This project will be done in cooperation with environmental agency of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Guestrow – volunteers will be picked up

Accommodation: The volunteers will be staying in a school.

Food: Food is included but the volunteers will be responsible for the cooking.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, short trips to nearby towns, swimming, hiking...

NIG09 Upahl- Lenzen II 07.08.-20.08.2017 ENVI vols: 10

Location:

Lohmen is a village between Guestrow and Goldberg. The region is famous for its lakes and forests. Lohmen is surrounded by a natural park. There are interesting possibilities for outdoor activities like a labyrinth, sports grounds, pedestrian walkways and more. There is a lake in walking distance, where you can swim. Lohmen has about 850 inhabitants and was founded approximately around the 12th century. For further information about Lohmen visit www.lohmen.de (only available in German). (only available in German).

Work:

This work camp is for nature lovers, since the work will be mainly outdoors. There is a lot of work around the natural reserve. Since it's not possible to use common agricultural techniques, volunteers have to do everything manually. More over every meadow around has to be cut and the grass have to be put aside. The aim of this project is to help to protect this unique reserve through your contribution. Every spring rare flowers like orchids grow in the meadow; they need light and space to survive. Salt and orchid meadows are typical for the region. This project will be done in cooperation with environmental agency of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.

Nearest airport: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Guestrow- volunteers will be picked up

Accommodation: The volunteers will be staying in a school.

Food: Food is included, but meals have to be prepared by the volunteers.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, short trips to nearby towns, swimming, hiking...

NIG10 Wüste & Glase 14.08.-27.08.2017 ENVI vols: 10

Location:

The nature protection area “Wüste und Glase” is a domain of the end moraine landscape in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. It's a nature protection area since the 22nd of June 1994 and it goes over 190 hectares. Because of the privacy and the low exploitation of the place, the conditions are very good. There is a Germanic hill fort which alludes to settlement in prior periods. “Wüste und Glase” in the heart of the area called “Mecklenburgish Switzerland” is a wide landscape of forests, lakes, hills and lots of animals, so everyone who likes nature will love this place.

Work:

The volunteers will have to work in the forests and hills. A pond needs to be fenced to protect the rare fire bellied toad. There are other old fences that need to be removed. In the field of stones the volunteers will have to move heaps of hay to clear up the area, walking in the paths of the old Germanic people. The volunteers will go by bike from the accommodation to the working place. The work takes place in cooperation with the “Manfred Hermsen Stiftung”, the national office for Agriculture and Environment and the nature park “Mecklenburg Switzerland”.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Teterow

Accommodation: The volunteers will be staying in bungalows in Dahmen.

Food: Food is included, but meals have to be prepared by the volunteers.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, short trips to nearby towns, swimming and short trips to nearby towns.

Further requirements: The volunteers have to be able to drive a bike. Please also bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

NIG11 Teterow III 14.08.-27.08.2017 ENVI/RENO vols:10

Location:

Teterow is a small town in the heart of the charming area known as "Mecklenburgish Switzerland". On all sides the countryside rises and merges into forested ranges of hills. Besides the historical town center with its marketplace, town hall and church, two medieval town gates and numerous historical buildings, visitors and tourists will find many interesting sights and destinations for excursions in Teterow and surroundings. For further information please visit www.teterow.de.

Work:

This camp is for nature lovers. The volunteers will work in a nature reserve on a peninsula close to the town Teterow, called Sauerwerder and situated in the lake Teterow. It is necessary to bring working clothes! The exact tasks will vary and volunteers are expected to be flexible in the work they do and be prepared to participate actively in all the tasks. The main work will it be to blaze and modernize the pedestrian walkways.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Teterow

Accommodation: The volunteers will be staying in an old house in Sauerwerder.

Food: Food is included, but meals have to be prepared by the volunteers.

Leisure time activities: Short trips to nearby facilities, sport games, barbeque, parties or anything that crosses your mind can be planned! It's also important that the participants spend their free time together in order to get to know each other and other cultures

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

NIG12 Rostock II 14.08.-27.08.2017 CULT vols: 10

Location:

The Hanseatic city of Rostock, founded in the 13th century is with 200.000 residents the largest city in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. It sprawls over both sides of the Warnow and enjoys a thriving overseas trade with Scandinavia through its large port facility. It is also a city of great importance where the volunteers will among other things encounter several buildings of historical and cultural value. Due to its proximity to the Baltic Sea and to the river Warnow Rostock is usually crowded with tourists. There are a lot of opportunities for leisure activities: Among other things you can go swimming in the sea, canoeing and take a tour in big German metropolis like Berlin and Hamburg. Rostock is shaped through the university and the students who create a vivid and modern atmosphere. For further information about the city of Rostock please refer to the website www.rostock.de (also available in English).

Work:

Volunteers will do an unforgettable theatre-project, where they have the chance to be another person on stage. The volunteers have the opportunity, to evolve a little scene, etude or even a play. Theatre is always a very interesting exercise to know yourself better or even to discover yourself in another way.

Nearest airport: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Rostock

Accommodation: The volunteers will stay in a tipi. Full board is included, but meals have to be prepared by the volunteers.

Food: Full board is included, but meals have to be prepared by the volunteers.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, short trips to nearby towns, swimming.

Further requirements: **A few German language skills are beneficial.**

Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, and motivation.

NIG13 Peenemünde I 21.08.-08.09.2017 HIST/ARCH vols:10

Location:

Peenemuende is located in the northern part of the island Usedom. Between 1936 and 1989 the region was restricted (for army use only), therefore the nature in the surroundings has developed undisturbed. Looking back in history Peenemuende participated in the development of the V-Rockets and today there is a memorial as well as a technical historical information centre reminding us of it.

Work:

The actual duties will consist of monument conservatoring arrangements on a bikeway between Karlshagen and Peenemuende. There were building measures of the former Heeresversuchsanstalt and nine above grounded bunker constructed in the Peenewiesen. In this bunker, shall V2-rackets intercalated before they feed to the building site or because of experimental purpose, in Peenemuende shot. After the war the Peenebunker were blasted. The remains still loom.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Peenemünde

Accommodation: The volunteers will stay in trailers at a youth hostel.

Food: Full board is included. There will be someone cooking for the participants.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, short trips to nearby towns, swimming.

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

NIG14 Peenemünde II 21.08.-08.09.2017 ENVI vols: 10

Location:

Peenemuende is located in the northern part of the island Usedom. On the island, volunteers will find an impressive landscape with steep coastlines, forests, swamps, marshland, and last but not least, charming fishing spots. Between 1936 and 1989 the region was restricted (for army use only), therefore the nature in the surroundings has developed undisturbed. Looking back in history Peenemuende participated in the development of the V-Rockets and today there is a memorial as well as a technical historical information centre reminding us of it.

Work:

This work camp is for nature lovers, since the work will be mainly outdoors. The volunteers will work in a nature park on an island named Usedom located in the Baltic Sea. Typical for the region are salt and orchid meadows. There is a lot of work around the natural reserve. Since it's not possible to use common agricultural techniques, volunteers have to do everything manually. More over every meadow around has to be cut and the grass have to be put aside. The aim of this project is to help to protect this unique reserve through your contribution.

Nearest airports: Berlin or Hamburg

Nearest train station: Peenemünde

Accommodation: The volunteers will stay in trailers at a youth hostel.

Food: Full board is included. There will be someone cooking for the participants.

Leisure time activities: Excursions are planned, short trips to nearby towns, swimming.

Further requirements: Please bring a sleeping bag, a mattress pad, working clothes, working gloves and motivation.

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