

## International voluntary work camps

### Bosnia and Herzegovina

2013



## THE LIST OF WORKCAMPS 2013 in BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

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## INTRODUCTION TO 2013 WORK CAMPS IN BOSNIA and HERZEGOVINA

Dear friends, partners and volunteers

The **South East European Youth Network** (SEEYN) is happy to announce **4** international voluntary work camps that will take place in Bosnia and Herzegovina in August 2013. This is first time after several years to have work camps in Bosnia and Herzegovina, hosted by local organizations in cooperation with international network South East European Youth network and Alliance for European Voluntary Service Organisations.

### ABOUT SEEYN

The South East European Youth Network (SEEYN) is a network organization involving 19 member NGOs from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Slovenia.

The vision of SEEYN is to achieve a stable region with developed mutual understanding without prejudices among young people through their mobility, cooperation, and active role in society. SEEYN aims to promote pro-social values, peace and understanding through grassroots volunteer exchanges, advocacy actions and capacity building in organizations.

SEEYN Secretariat is based in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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The 2013 work camp program is prepared in cooperation with SEEYN members from Bosnia and Herzegovina, 4 local host organizations.

The work camps are part of the SEEYN project **“Learn, volunteer, share”** with support from the **Visegrad+ Program of the International Visegrad Fund**

The aim of the project **“Learn, volunteer, share”** is to establish and maintain quality regional/European cooperation and networking on planning and implementation of international voluntary workcamps and youth educational exchanges among organizations in Central and Eastern Europe.

#### **PARTNERS in 2013 work camps in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

- **Youth Information Agency Sarajevo** and **Youth Communication Centre Banja Luka** – SEEYN member organizations involved in placement of volunteers and support of work camps
- Local host organization – **Eko Leonardo Priboj, Youth Council Jablanica, Youth Council Vlasenica, Democracy Centre New Hopes Bihac/Otoka**
- **Young Researches of Serbia** – “buddy” support for placement of volunteers

#### **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

**Age limit:** 18 - 30

**Common language used in the camps:** English

**Insurance:** Please notice that organizers do not provide any insurance. To join the work camp in you have to be insured. Do not forget to take your insurance with you.

**Eligible countries:** Volunteers from **ANY** country in the world can apply. However, due to the objectives of “Learn, volunteer, share” project, volunteers from **Central and Eastern Europe** are encouraged to apply!

**Costs:** The organizers will provide **basic accommodation, food, refreshment and working materials** for all participants. **Travel, visa and insurance, as well as any other costs are not provided** and should be covered by volunteers themselves!

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Please, use standard **VEF** of Alliance for European Voluntary Service Organisations OR standard SEEYN **“Learn, volunteer, share” application form**.

**Application forms should be sent to [placement.bh@seeyn.org](mailto:placement.bh@seeyn.org) ONLY by email** (we do not accept fax or applications sent by post!).

#### **CONTACTS**

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**ONLY** applications sent to [placement.bh@seeyn.org](mailto:placement.bh@seeyn.org) will be considered!

## BH 01 Volunteers Colony

**Location:** Otoka, municipality of Bosanska Krupa, Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Partner organization:** Demokratski centar Nove Nade

**Dates:** 9/8 – 16/8/2013

**Type:** EDU/CONS

**Age:** 18 – 30



**Volunteers:** 15 active young people with or without previous experience in work camps, but ready for voluntary work and education.

**Work:** There is a significant need for volunteers, volunteer activities and networking with other organisations in the area of north-western Bosnia and Herzegovina. Those opportunities would open a number of opportunities to animate young people and other citizens. This project arisen from the need to create space for working with young people, informing and educating them and giving them opportunity for practical experience. The projects background is years of experience of the organisation in realisation of voluntary activities, working with volunteers, strengthening youth mobility and cooperation with different voluntary organisations. There is continuity in work, as well as significant results, out of which the most important are several voluntary camps already organised, which involved around 1.000 volunteers. The objectives of the camp are to make space for creative work with volunteers, where they can develop their skills, positive values and attitudes; to educate volunteers and to implement practical activities, local actions and exchange experience and knowledge with young people from other countries and backgrounds.

We would like to create camping area with facilities like benches, tents, eco-cans, fences, etc., to make several volunteers actions (cleaning the picnic areas, facilities in the nature, etc.), as well as to exchange experiences, knowledge, information and create joint activities like workshops, sports and entertainment activities.

**Accommodation:** Volunteers will sleep in tents (2 persons in a tent). The camp site has all necessary equipment and facilities, but if you wish you can bring your own tent. Be sure to bring sleeping back. There are several showers, toilets and kitchen facilities available at the camp site.

**Free time:** swimming in river Una, discovering river Una with small boats, fishing, hiking, sport activities

**Terminal:** Airports: Zagreb, Sarajevo; Bus connections: Bihac, B. Krupa, Zagreb, Sarajevo; Train: Zagreb – Volinja than bus

**Remarks:** You should bring sleeping bag, clothes for hot weather and something warm for evenings, raincoat, working clothes and gloves, strong boots, swimming suits, towels, cosmetics and toiletries. You can also bring some info, materials and pictures of your country, musical instrument to play nice music, some ideas for games or workshops, your enthusiasm and smile on your face :)

**Web:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bosanska\\_Otoka](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bosanska_Otoka)



## BH 02 Youth summer camp

**Location:** Vlasenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Partner organization:** Youth Council of Vlasenica

**Dates:** 10/8/13 – 19/8/13

**Type:** EDU

**Volunteers:** 20 participants

**Language:** English

**Age:** 18 - 30



**Work:** Youth summer camp is organized continuously since 2006. So far we have managed to gather almost 200 young people from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Serbia. Every year we have a great interest among the young and cooperation organization to participate in the camp. Past experience has shown that young people in these camps have a chance to network, travel, study and work on common interests. Also, the gain is for organizations that delegate their members because we are connected over the years and have established cooperation with many organizations in Bosnia and Herzegovina. This camp would go a step further because it would connect with organizations in the WB and some from other parts of Europe. This opens up the possibility of new projects and cooperation in the future. Certainly we want to use this opportunity in order to prove and elsewhere - outside of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Focus of the camp is on educational and creative workshops on different subjects (European citizenship, intercultural learning, social inclusion, environmental protection, etc.). There will also be some volunteer work around the Training Centre organized (e.g. painting walls of the centre).

**Accommodation:** Volunteers will be accommodated in hostel-type facility – Training Centre Vlasenica, in 4 and 6 bed rooms with common toilets and showers. Meals will also be organized in the Centre. Expect healthy, homemade food and traditional dishes of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

**Free time:** Facilities of the Centre offer many opportunities for sports, leisure activities, socializing and relaxation. Also, in the program of the camp rafting trip and hiking are included as methods for group building and getting to know each other better, but also in order to explore beautiful landscape that surrounds Vlasenica.

**Terminal:** Airports: Sarajevo, Belgrade; Bus connections: Belgrade, Sarajevo; No train connections!



**Remarks:** You should bring sleeping bag, clothes for hot weather and something warm for evenings, some working clothes, swimming suits, towels, cosmetics and toiletries. You can also bring some info, materials and pictures of your country, musical instrument to play nice music, some ideas for games or workshops, your enthusiasm and smile on your face :)

**Web:** <http://www.training-center-vlasenica.com>,  
[www.facebook.com/hostel.vlasenica](http://www.facebook.com/hostel.vlasenica)

**ATTENTION:** motivation letter required!



### BH 03 - Rock marathon camp 2013

**Location:** Jablanica, Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Partner organization:** Youth council of Jablanica municipality

**Dates:** 18/08 – 25/08/2013

**Type:** FEST

**Volunteers:** 15 participants who love music (urban, rock) and festivals and are motivated to engage in festival activities

**Language:** English

**Age:** 18 – 30



**Work:** Reason for making a youth camp at the time of festival is the popularity of the traditional rock festival, that gathers the regional youth of all ethnic groups and all nationalities, so they spend a great time in our city without any idea of conflict. As the popularity of the festival grows, it would be amiss if we didn't use this event for creating international camp that would improve these friendly gatherings of youth from this region.

The main aim of the camp activities is to improve youth exchange, intercultural learning through small time workshops with multi language methods and forums. All participants will learn more about the cultural heritage of small town, Jablanica, and about the festival and its ways to fight the youth passivity.

Volunteers would have to take part in promotion of festival through street actions, and for that action they would have small workshop to prepare them for promoting. Volunteers would also take a part in preparing festival area, and also taking part at the festival, at last days of camp. If possible, volunteers would also take part in volunteering for other organisations in town, that do similar events at that certain time, as the Rock Marathon festival is part of 'Jablanica summer fest', so we will be volunteering in other events that would happen like 'Rower marathon' at Jablanica lake.

**Accommodation:** Volunteers will be accommodated in pensions, in shared rooms with all equipment (bathrooms, toilets and kitchen). Volunteers will prepare meals in the facilities and will also have opportunity to taste some traditional food.

**Free time:** As for cultural education, at first days of camp, volunteers would visit memorial complex of 'Battle for Neretva', and learn about the cultural heritage and history of Jablanica. In the days after that visit, we are planning to take the volunteers to nature park 'Blidinje' at the mountain plateau Risovac on the mountain of Cvrsnica, where participants would be introduced with the effects of pure nature on the local population and society of Jablanica.



**Terminal:** Airports: Sarajevo, Dubrovnik, Split; Bus connections: Sarajevo, Mostar, Split, Dubrovnik; Train: Zagreb – Sarajevo - Ploce

**Remarks:** You should bring sleeping bag, swimming suits, towels, cosmetics and toiletries, clothes for hot weather and something warm for evenings. You can also bring some info, materials and pictures of your country, musical instrument to play nice music, some ideas for promotion, games or workshops, your enthusiasm and smile on your face :)

**Web:** [www.facebook.com/vmjablanica](http://www.facebook.com/vmjablanica), [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jablanica,\\_Bosnia\\_and\\_Herzegovina](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jablanica,_Bosnia_and_Herzegovina)

## BH 04 - Clean, Build and Learn

**Location:** Priboj, Municipality Lopare, Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Partner organization:** EKO-Leonardo Priboj

**Dates:** 20/8 - 30/8/2013

**Type:** ENVI

**Volunteers:** 14 participants ready to work in the nature and sleep in tents.

**Language:** English

**Age:** 18 – 30



**Work:** Through Priboj pass river Janja, and splitting place on half, that river is full of garbage what water bringing from mountain Majevisa, where careless people throw close to river or directly to the river and looks so badly and not nice in centre of Priboj. Also, near to the river existing nice and safe place for walking and resting area with nice view on river and tennis field and we would like to clean river from garbage and bushes in centre of Priboj and build walking area 100 meters long. The volunteers will be working on building the walking area near tennis field and on the bank of the river Janja. They will be making benches and solar lamps, making the field straight and even, putting the surface on the walking path and cleaning the river from garbage. Two days will be dedicated for creating 2 solar collectors for heating the water which will be put on the roof of the youth centre and dressing room in the football field. We would also like to show participants all about cultural heritage in Lopare municipality and to offer to participants more information and knowledge about environment issue in Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Accommodation:** The volunteers will be sleeping in tents (2 – 3 person in a tent) and should bring their own sleeping bags and pillows. There will be separate showers and toilettes (male and female). The food will be prepared by volunteers themselves. The groceries and open kitchen will be available, as well as drinking water. For two evenings the volunteers will prepare dinner with locals. The camp is situated 30m from the working area.

**Free time:** Excursions and hiking in the area, visit to Tuzla, sport activities

**Terminal:** Airports: Tuzla, Sarajevo, Belgrade; Bus connections: Belgrade, Bijeljina, Tuzla; No train connections!



**Remarks:** You should bring sleeping bag, warm clothes, raincoat, working clothes and gloves, strong boots, swimming suits, towels, cosmetics and toiletries. You can also bring some info, materials and pictures of your country, musical instrument to play nice music, some ideas for games or workshops, your enthusiasm and smile on your face :)

**Web:** <http://eko-leonardo.info/>, [www.facebook.com/eko.leonardo.18](http://www.facebook.com/eko.leonardo.18)

## BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA more information

<http://www.bhtourism.ba> – country tourist board website

<http://www.discoverbosnia.com/> - another tourist web guide through country

<http://www.sarajevo-airport.ba/?lang=eng> - International airport in Sarajevo

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bosnia\\_and\\_Herzegovina](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bosnia_and_Herzegovina) - the rest...

## Bosnian language -useful phrases

[http://www.linguata.com/bosnian/Basic\\_Bosnian\\_phrases.html](http://www.linguata.com/bosnian/Basic_Bosnian_phrases.html)

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