



Vacancy for EVS Volunteer in the Czech Republic

Volunteering in the Old Brewery Chric

- Long term EVS: 12 months (call is just for programme countries candidates)
- **Location:** Chříč, Czech Republic (<http://mapy.cz/s/fy5N>)
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About us and the project

For more than six years we have been engaged in renewal of rural life traditions and cultural events in a small village of northern Pilsen region. We have brought back to life organization of traditional carnival, initiated every-year summer festival Kric Fest and we set up handcraft workshops and summer camp for children.

In 2009 we have settled in a ruin of former baroque brewery, which is still the base for all our activities. Since that we have continuously renovated and transformed the place into the center of cultural and social life of the region – place for meeting each other. In the year 2012 we have built up small “Museum of everyday life” in the malt house part of the brewery. The exhibition brings you back into the Czech rural life in the past centuries and gives you opportunity to “touch it” thanks interactive character.

This year, after more than 70 years, we have re-established running of the brewery. We brew the beer! The Brewery Chříč is of a social enterprise nature, where five people with mental handicap are being employed at present.

Propolis association is a group of app. 20 friends, who spend their free time (weekends and summer holidays) volunteering on renovations or on event’s organization.

Currently we have been looking for 2 EVS volunteers, who are willing to become part of the brewery and association life.

What kind of work to expect?

There is different rhythm in the brewery during the summer and wintertime. In the summer there are plenty of people, friends coming to help or just to visit the place and also international volunteers come for some week. In the winter the village and even the region is quite abandoned. This fact influences also our life rhythm and work. We do expect that the EVS volunteers will participate on every day running of the house, they will help with promotion of the museum and preparation of activities connected to it. They will help with organization of cultural events, it’s promotion and occasionally they will assist the employees with mental handicap. Volunteers will also help with

manual work on brewery renovation and keeping the garden. The place offers also many opportunities for creation and running of their own small project.

What do we expect?

Volunteer, who wants to take part in the activities of Propolis association, should be aware, that he/she will spend the time really in a rural area with all it's pros and cons and be ready for it. We want to host volunteers for a minimum of **6 months, but we do prefer 1 year staying**. The driving license for normal car is quite necessary in here. We do also appreciate person able to work both independently and within the team, person with real interest and motivation, someone who is eager to learn new things, responsible and able to improvise. We are looking for a friendly person, speaking at least basic English or Czech and willing to become part of the life in Chric.

What do we offer?

We can offer you the opportunity to be by the birth of an interesting project, being part of friendly and creative (sometimes even too much :) team of people with diverse professional background, enjoy hospitality and possibility to learn basics of chosen traditional craft. There will be coordinator and mentor available for your support and you will have chance to learn Czech language within the course.

About the village Chříč

Chric is quite small place to live – only about 205 inhabitants finds their home here. There is one shop with basic supplies running whole week, sports ground in the village square and several opportunities for trips (river Berounka 5km, Natural park Krivoklatsko). Chric is about 80km far from Prague and 50 from Pilsen.

How to apply?

Send us your CV and motivation letter in English by e-mail. The letter should not be longer than 1,5 page, don't forget to mention your experiences, ideas, motivation and also info about your sending organization. We will go through it and contact you back. If everything is fine, we would arrange a **skype meeting (30min.)** to give us an opportunity to get to know each other and find out more about the project. You are also welcomed to come to visit the place beforehand.

For more information don't hesitate to contact us:

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- **Application deadline: 18.9.2015**

