

YiA 1.1 Youth Exchange
“ Youth for Environment and Sustainability – YES”
29/09 - 06/10/13 in Berlin

Project: The project deals with environmental awareness and sustainability in voluntary service. Therefore we will see many ecological places in Berlin as forest schools, the museum of Nature, the zoo or laboratories that run experiments on ecology. VJF has German long term volunteers in all those partner institutions and want to have an exchange with young people from other countries on volunteering in ecological fields.

Another point will be to visit a Berlin youth club that deals with ADAPTATION to climate change in the Berlin region and has a really exciting program to make people aware of what will be the changes and how to actually adapt to those changes.

If there is interest we also might visit a waste processing plant to have a look behind the scenes, what actually happens with all the waste once we threw it in the bin.

As we ran a youth exchange in May 2011 already and this was very successful, we also want to follow-up on what went on there. We want to also introduce the “cookbook 4 climate action” which we have finished in 2011. This cookbook introduces actions to be taken to raise awareness on ecology on local level. We want to try to actually implement those actions in Berlin and see how they work out.

Besides all the actions and discussions, there will be enough time to explore one of the most dynamic and exciting cities in Europe: BERLIN!

Methodology: exchange of experiences in different European countries in a non-formal education approach, visits to relevant places, sessions in Berlin youth club

Location:Berlin Grünau, at a lake in the forest with a fire place, volleyball, table tennis, app. 1 h from the city center

Advanced Planning Visit: In order to have a successful meeting we plan to have an APV in August

Profile of the participants: volunteers, multipliers , interested in ecology, waste reduction, sustainability

Size of the group: 4 pax (aged) + 1 leader per organisation, altogether 25 pax + 5 leaders

Accommodation: You will live in bungalows. Self-catering.

Financial Conditions: 70% travel reimbursement, 100% food and accommodation