

LEARNING EXCHANGE (volunteer or staff)

EU-GRUNDTVIG Multilateral Project "Volunteer management in European parks"

SENDING ORGANISATION (in home country of tutor)

Name of protected area or organisation:

Biosphere Reserve "Schorfheide-Chorin"

Person in charge – name of volunteer coordinator/contact person in sending organisation:

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Person taking part in learning exchange

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volunteer staff of sending organisation

Current job or voluntary activity in sending organisation:

As a volunteer:

activities about species and habitat protection (care for an orchid meadow, deconstruction of a path through wetland, build artificial nests of terns, maintenance of a terrapins areal), public relations / environmental education (supervision of a group of "Junior Ranger", guides)

As staff:

Coordination of an integrated monitoring program for German national parks and biosphere reserves.

Knowledge, skills, experiences etc. that can be offered to the hosting park:

I studied landscape planning at the technical university Berlin

Skills:

- broad knowledge about protected area systems
- knowledge of plants, amphibians and birds
- planning information events, planning and execution of tours with adults and children
- implementation of landscape management

Experiences:

- Voluntary ecological year in an environmental information Centre of the Biosphere Reserve "Schorfheide-Chorin", especially public relations, environmental education and practical species and habitat protection (1 year)
- Since 2005 Volunteer of the Biosphere Reserve "Schorfheide-Chorin"
- traineeship in the administration of the biosphere reserve "Schorfheide-Chorin", department Landscape Planning (4 months)
- traineeship in the administration of the national park "Harz", department public relations and environmental education (4 months)
- traineeship at EUROPARC Germany, service and coordination other trainees in the national parks, biosphere reserve and nature parks in Germany (3 months)
- Assistance in the "volunteer in parks" program of EUROPARC Germany (communication with the volunteer managers) (6 months)

Knowledge, skills, experiences etc. that she would like to gain:

Because I know volunteering in Germany well, I am interested in other approaches how to shape structures for volunteer management in different countries. I'm interested in the role of a volunteer in the protected areas and the communication and cooperation to the permanent employees.

Also, I would like to expand my knowledge in the field of species and biotope protection. I would also like to improve my knowledge about other protected areas and their management structures.

Language skills (specify for each language: basic, medium level, high level):

German (mother tongue), English (basic - medium level),

Availability for tutoring (days; 5-21 days possible): 14 - 21

Dates (exact dates or period between 2011/02 and 2013/08): preferred period 17.06. – 02.08.2013 (possibly up to 31.08.2013)

Favoured working time per day (hours): fulltime possible

EXPECTATION ON ACCOMMODATION AND BOARD

Single-bed room not important

Double-bed room OK

Others (please specify):

Shared bath room OK

Cooking facilities important

Need for special dietary requirements:

Vegetarian food no

Vegan food no

Other food (please specify):

OTHER COMMENTS

None.