Cuckoo's farm Portugal

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Start: 30<sup>th</sup> of September 2017

End: 01st of September 2018

Spots: 1

Application deadline: No deadline

Pocket money:

Location: Arrimal, Portugal

Project description: This project aims to teach good environmental practices in a rural setting and a protected area

The project is developed in harmony and cooperation with the local community allowing to know the traditions and the local culture

These activities allow for interaction between the volunteers and the local community through simple tasks performed by volunteers, which develop sustainable agricultural practices and livestock production

The volunteers will participate in the activities, being integrated in groups of youth members, with whom they will collaborate in the following tasks:

Composting System; Production of farm products (biological); Feeding the animals, take them to the pastures, maintenance of fences and stables, to milk, make cheese and bread; Participate in local campaign actions of cleaning forest

The volunteers will be accommodated in Bezerra's Ecological Residence

The food is provided to volunteers by the local service (3 daily meals) prepared by Vertigem' cook.

Volunteer profile: We are looking for enthusiastic people, willing to learn from different cultures

Is addressed to young people, willing to spend 4 weeks in "the heart" of a Natural Park, with other volunteers. Therefore the volunteers are expected to have a strong interest by nature, motivated to work with an international team, should have the ability to generate empathy and creativity, an attitude of participation and team work spirit, flexible behaviour and capable treating the obstacles as challenges. Race, gender, age, religion or political ideas aren't conditioning factors for the selection.

Training during the project: Training in the areas: Portuguese language, agriculture, beekeeping, animal husbandry, recycling and reuse of materials.

Accommodation, food and transport arrangements: The volunteer will be accommodated in Bezerra's Ecological Residence that has as a privilege the fabulous landscape. The Residence is divided in three areas: Wards for men and

women with WC, Lounge and Bathrooms for men and women, and common room with library, TV, stereo and two computers The residence can host up to 14 people.

The Residence is equipped with energy efficient heating equipment, internet with free wifi, an outside space with aromatic plants and novelty equipment for children. Good environmental practises are emphasized.

Additional information: Be aware that the project is located in a rural area, 10 kilometres away from the closest city (Porto de Mós).

Participants with fewer opportunities: This organisation has a physical environment suitable for young people with physical, sensory or other disabilities (such as wheelchair access and similar.

This organisation has additional mentoring or other support suitable for young people with social obstacles, educational difficulties, cultural differences or similar.

How to apply: Send us an email with your CV and a covering letter presented trough one organisation from yours country accredited as coordinator in EVS Erasmus + program and interested to apply as coordinator of the application trough the National Agency.