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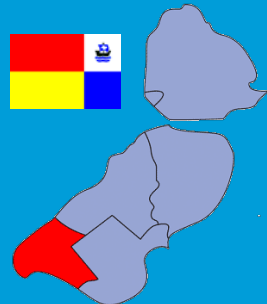
EVS PLACEMENT IN LELYSTAD, THE NETHERLANDS



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Coordinating organization



Hosting organisation

EUROPEAN VOLUNTEERING SERVICE

Dear friends and EVS enthusiasts,

With this invitation we would like to inform you about the free EVS places NGO Tripin offers as a coordinating organization in cooperation with hosting organization NGO stichting Batavia in Lelystad. We are applying to the youth in action program for two EVS volunteers. The project will be applied for on the 1st April 2010 deadline and will start on the 1st of September 2010 till the 1st of September 2011.

What : **European Voluntary Service in Stichting Bataviawerf, Lelystad.**

When : **12 months, 1 September 2010 - 1 September 2011.**

How many : **Two EVS volunteers from any EU member state.**

How to apply : **Send your motivation letter and CV to evsbatavia@tripin.eu**

ORGANISATIONS INVOLVED IN THIS EVS PROJECT

Coordinating organization: NGO Stichting Tripin

Tripin is active now for four years in Almere. Tripin her goal is to help organizations with making their work more international. There could be said that Tripin gives other organizations the opportunity to give a whole different dimension to their work. As from this year on, Tripin functions under the flag of NGO Multiversum wich works with art and music workshops for urban youth in Almere. In the last four years we hosted eight youth exchanges, sent two EVS volunteers, hosted seven EVS volunteers and attended a lot of other projects all around Europe and the world.

Hosting organization: NGO Stichting Batavia

Batavia Yard is a shipyard with extraordinary ambitions, reconstructing ships from the Golden Age that were important to the Netherlands' maritime history. This heritage was demolished at the time because of its limited lifespan, or has sunk to the bottom of the sea. In April 1995, the Batavia, which is the most authentic reconstruction of a 17th-

century VOC ship ever made, was launched after ten years in the making. The initiator was master shipbuilder Willem Vos. After this reconstruction was complete, a second project was started in the yard to reconstruct 'De 7 Provinciën', a 17th-century battleship with which Michiel de Ruyter fought many sea battles.

The construction of the replica of 'De 7 Provinciën' is one of the largest and most challenging historical shipbuilding projects in the world. Using vocational reintegration and work experience projects to construct these ships, the shipyard plays an important part in the lives of long-term unemployed people for whom, over time and for various reasons, the distance to the job market has become too great.

Having official 'Charity Organisation' status, Batavia Yard is a non-profit foundation that is dependent on donations and sponsors to construct and maintain the ships.

The conservation of cultural heritage, traditional crafts and working methods

The 'Batavia' and 'De 7 Provinciën' bring to life the stories of the people and their work and lives in 17th-century VOC times. Traditional crafts are revived in the various workshops, such as the woodcarving workshop, the forge and the rigging workshop. Batavia Yard offers visitors the opportunity to learn hands-on from the past. The Batavia Yard method is different from others because no concessions are being made during the building process. The shipyard performs extensive historical research into the construction, work methods and use of materials in the 17th century. Batavia Yard's accumulated expertise is unique in the world and makes it possible to build reconstructions that are very true to life. The construction of the ships provides new knowledge about shipbuilding from that era, something we call 'experimental archaeology'.

Future expectations

Batavia Yard will certainly not lay idle in the coming years. There are several projects in the pipeline that will make significant cultural and social contributions. Furnishing and regular and intensive maintenance of the Batavia are scheduled, as is the completion of 'De 7 Provinciën', of course. These projects will provide work at the shipyard for several long-term unemployed people and volunteers.

SOCIAL AND WORK ENVIRONMENT

As EVS volunteer at Bataviawerf you will be part of a big group of volunteers that work on the ship building process of the '7 Provinciën', maintenance of the 'Batavia' or in the educational centre of Batavia. The volunteer will be in close contact with the other volunteers, and will work on the same location. Bataviawerf is located in Lelystad, the Netherlands. A website with information can be found here: <http://www.bataviawerf.nl/>. The information is only available in Dutch, English and German. You will live in one of the buildings on the shipyard itself. Looking out the window will give you a straight view at the ships. You will have to share the room with another volunteer, which will be from the

same gender because of the room sharing. Occasionally specialist from foreign countries will join you because it's the only place on the whole yard where people can sleep. Lunch is always provided by Bataviawerf for all the volunteers. This gives you a good opportunity to participate in social activities and learn more about the Dutch culture. Bataviawerf also organizes different meetings for all the volunteers and friends of the organization once a while.

As coordinating organization Tripin will arrange the necessary things like the obligated training courses for EVS volunteers, language courses, pocket money etc. (if you want to know more about your rights as an EVS volunteer, please download the youth in action program guide) Tripin will also be a social platform to get in touch with EVS volunteers from other projects and activities held by partner NGO's in Almere and the rest of the country. For now this is the only EVS project run in Lelystad. For this case we will give you a permanent ticket for the train to Almere, to meet up with other volunteers in Almere. This connection takes 20 minutes.

ACTIVITIES

The volunteer is working in a very active and flexible foundation. Despite there is a project description the volunteer will have personal freedom. This means that there is enough space to grow in the organisation besides the fixed activities. Of course the foundation will give a structure in which the volunteer can find his challenge.

The volunteer can learn how it is to work in a field with a small power-distance. If there are things that you think can be changed to benefit the organisation in the volunteering work you are doing, you are more than welcome to share your opinion with the teamleaders.

Because Stichting Batavia prefers to have volunteers for one year the volunteers will have the opportunity to grow in the organisation and get responsibilities.

However we must point out that the volunteering work is hard. Building a ship wasn't easy 400 years ago. And still it's quite some work, especially the way Stichting Batavia is building the new ship. You will be outside most of the time also when it is cold, rainy and windy. In the winter there are other tasks which can be carried out inside. Because Batavia aims at the highest level of quality possible for their ships the work can be done by strict protocols. This is for your safety and safety of the construction and wellbeing of the ship. A mistake in the construction can have severe consequences for the building process. And at some point if you finish your EVS we hope that we can invite you ever again when the ship is going to set sail after some years when the build is finished.

Because Batavia and Tripin prefer to have volunteers for 1 year. The volunteers will have the opportunity to grow in the organization. Also there are possibilities to see all the aspects of working in Batavia. There will be fixed patterns and tasks you have to perform on the application form but after some time there will be opportunities to change tasks. This kind of changes will be in cooperation with the sending organisation, coordinating organisation, volunteer and Bataviawerf (hosting organisation)

WHAT KIND OF EVS PLACES BATAVIA AND STICHTING TRIPIN OFFER

general assistant (2 volunteers):

Educational activities:

- Looking after guided tours for visitors, children and foreign guests.
- Work in our shop or behind the pay-desk.
- Treating incoming telephone and e-mail.
- Taking part in the activity team.
- Taking part in the fundraising team.

Ship building activities:

- Making new sails for the Batavia.
- Wood cutting for statues on the ship.
- To forge.
- Maintenance work to the Batavia.

PROFILE OF THE EVS VOLUNTEER

As this project is the maximum amount of time possible in a EVS project the volunteer must realize that Bataviawerf as hosting organization and Tripin as coordinating organization have some desires due to skills the volunteer must have.

- **Being able to speak English.**

Almost everybody in the Netherlands speaks English. You will develop your English skills further on in communicating with your fellow volunteers at Batavia. Being able to communicate in English is mainly for the safety of yourself and other co-workers.

- **Being motivated.**

A project that last for 12 months is in need of motivated volunteers.

Please show us in your motivation letter why you want to join the project mentioned above.

- **Having experience with working in a NGO.**

It would be good if (s)he would have a small experience in being active in an NGO in his/her own country to show that the person really wants to take part in exactly this project.

Besides these profile desires mentioned above we have some other points which needs to fit your profile:

- Affinity for history and ships
- Attention concerning the security of yourself and co-workers.
- Being able to work in a group and get in touch with other cultures (open mind).
- It would be nice to have someone who is socially skilled.

HOW TO APPLY

Please send us your CV and motivation letter to evsbatavia@tripin.eu before the 19th of March. Do not forget to add a picture to your CV and also mention what do you expect from this EVS.

SOME EVS BLOGS OF EVS PARTICIPANTS IN ALMERE

http://www.myevs.net/find_weblogs.php?qw=almere

PICTURES ON GOOGLE ABOUT THE YARD AND THE SHIP 'BATAVIA'

http://maps.google.nl/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=nl&q=Bataviastad,+8242+Lelystad,+Flevoland&sll=53.203408,5.791308&sspn=0.179319,0.409927&ie=UTF8&cd=1&geocode=FfjrIQMd8P1SAA&split=o&hq=&hnear=Bataviastad&ll=52.522002,5.436462&spn=0.001423,0.003203&z=18&layer=c&cbll=52.522003,5.436291&panoid=5nPi4pJpescG1zPV-vHf2Q&cbp=12,302.51,,0,17.66