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**ESTYES WORKCAMP PROGRAM
2024**

INTRODUCTION TO ESTYES

Youth Association EstYES is non-profit non-political NGO established in 1991 with the purpose to promote youth, educational and cultural exchanges for understanding, peace and fair world. It is a pioneer organization in the field of IVS in Estonia

Our objectives

- to increase international understanding and solidarity between countries and people;
- to promote continuous dialogue between people all over the world for peace and friendship;
- to enable young people by living and working together to learn from each other, discover the variety of cultures, broaden horizons to build bridges over differences and peace;
- to promote international voluntary service in Estonia as a tool for local development;
- to apply international voluntary service as a powerful method of non-formal education of the population;
- to promote global education as one of the important resources for young people in the globalised world.

Our activities

- organize voluntary camps in Estonia and send Estonian volunteers abroad;
- send Estonian volunteers to mid- and long-term voluntary services abroad and host volunteers from abroad on mid- and long-term projects in Estonia;
- participate in EVS/ ESC program as sending, hosting and coordinating organization;
- organize and run youth cultural exchanges of different kinds, study visits/ group stays with various themes for youth foreign groups in Estonia and for Estonians abroad;
- take part in conferences, seminars, trainings abroad and organize those in Estonia.

Before pandemic, every summer EstYES ran over 50 voluntary camps in Estonia hosting around 600 volunteers from abroad. Annually we were hosting over 40 volunteers from different European countries to the long-term EVS/ ESC project (for 10-12 months) in the field of social services, youth work and education. Every year EstYES was giving chance to over 200 young Estonians to take part in various project abroad (voluntary camps, youth exchanges, EVS, training activities, seminars, youth meetings, etc.) Now these numbers are a bit low but we work on to reach the same level as before the pandemic.

Target groups EstYES works with

EstYES works mainly with young people 14 – 30, but not only with them. Actually, EstYES voluntary projects are open to people of all ages without too many limits. Young people with fewer opportunities are the group of special consideration of EstYES.

Our partners

From 1994 we have been exchanging with branches of SCI (Service Civil International) and from 1995 - with members of Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organizations and their partner organizations. From 1999 we cooperate with ICYE (International Cultural Youth Exchange). In 1997 EstYES became a member of Alliance and in 2007 a member of CCIVS (Coordinating Committee of International Voluntary Service) by UNESCO. Most of our partner organisations belong to these networks. In the past decade EstYES has been intensively developing cooperation with youth and voluntary service organisations in South East Asia and China as well as with Mexico through EU Capacity Building projects.

Sources of income

EstYES income consists of contributions and subscription fees from the participants of our programs. EstYES receives grants for the projects from foundations like ASEF, Erasmus+, European Youth Foundation, EuropeAid, Europe for Citizens, European Solidarity Corps, etc. EstYES does not receive any direct support from the state.

GENERAL INTRODUCTION TO ESTYES INTERNATIONAL WORKCAMPS

Although there were few attempts to organize workcamps in Estonia in the very beginning of EstYES existence in 1991-1992 the first real workcamps took place in 1994, and there were only 2. In 2024 EstYES plans to run ca 30 short- and mid-term voluntary projects + 15 teenage camps, offering places to over 400 international participants.

Work

Our workcamps are diverse, so that everyone can find something suitable. They last from 1 to 4 weeks, MTV projects 4+ weeks and take place from May to September. The number of international volunteers in the camp varies from 3 to 10 on adult projects and can be up to 40 on teenage projects. We try to avoid having more than 2-3 people of the same nationality in the camp, except for teenage projects where number of participants from the same country can go up to 10. As a rule, volunteers have to work 5-7 hours a day 5-6 days a week for the benefit of local project and community. Hosts provide food and accommodation and cultural activities in return. The main themes of our camps are organic farming, environmental projects with Estonian Nature Fund, animating kids providing language practice and intercultural learning in cooperation with communal youth centres and language schools.

Conditions for participation

Volunteers should be over 18 years old and 14-17 years old in teenage camps. For the work with kids the min age of volunteers is 20. There is no max age limit, except for some educational projects. Usually no special skills required from volunteers, except camps dealing with kids. In linguistic camps B2 level of English is required. **Participants should be motivated to do voluntary work, be ready to meet realities of local life and have flexibility to accept it, be tolerant and open for the new experience.** A motivation letter is required when applying for camps with kids, organic farms and MTV projects.

Camp leaders

NB! In many of the camps **the local host takes the leader's role and there is no other formal leader.** In other cases there is one group leader whose task is to be a coordinator and a link between the participants and the host. Leader participates in daily life equally with volunteers. **EstYES is happy to receive camp leaders from abroad.**

Insurance

In Estonian camps **insurance is not provided**, therefore volunteers **have to bring their own insurance** against illness, accident, cancellation of trip and third-party risk. Participants from EU countries should bring EU health insurance form.

Covid -19 regulations in Estonia

<https://www.kriis.ee/en/travelling-crossing-state-border/travelling-estonia/coming-estonia>

Some practical matters

Usually, volunteers have to bring sleeping bag, work clothes, summer clothes and swimming suit, but also warm clothes and rain-gear as weather in Estonia is very changeable and unpredictable. It is a good idea to have a mosquito cream.

On request, EstYES can help to book inexpensive hostel to spend some days in Tallinn before/ after the camp.

Meeting point

EstYES usually invites volunteers to meet at the Coach Station in Tallinn the day camp begins to travel together to the camp site. Tallinn Bus Terminal address is Bussijaam, Lastekodu 46. It takes just 10 min by bus nr 2 or 15 to get there from the airport. National buses schedules are available on www.tpilet.ee, www.luxexpress.ee

Emergency contacts

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Infosheets

Information about our camps provided in the database is already quite detailed. More details, practical information, travel directions, etc. will be sent to partners 3-4 weeks before beginning of the camp as latest. But if participants need any specific information to organise their travel, they are welcome to turn for the information to EstYES earlier.

ESTYES CAMP LIST 2024

CODE	NAME	TYPE	DATES	VOLS	FEE
EST KI1	KINGU ORGANIC FARM I	AGRI	13.05 - 27.05	5	50
EST KI2	KINGU ORGANIC FARM II	AGRI	17.06 - 30.06	5	50
EST KI3	KINGU ORGANIC FARM III	AGRI	01.07 - 14.07	5	50
EST KI4	KINGU ORGANIC FARM IV	AGRI	15.07 - 28.07	5	50
EST KI5	KINGU ORGANIC FARM V	AGRI	05.08 - 19.08	5	50
EST KI6	KINGU ORGANIC FARM VI	AGRI	02.09 - 16.09	5	50
EST LE1	LEPANIIDI ORGANIC FARM I	AGRI	03.06 - 30.06	3	60
EST LE2	LEPANIIDI ORGANIC FARM II	AGRI	02.07 - 31.07	3	60
EST LE3	LEPANIIDI ORGANIC FARM III	AGRI	02.08 - 31.08	3	60
EST LE4	LEPANIIDI ORGANIC FARM IV	AGRI	02.09 - 30.09	3	60
EST AL1	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM I	ANIM	06.05 - 31.05	5	60
EST AL2	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM II	ANIM	03.06 - 28.06	5	60
EST AL3	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM III	ANIM	01.07 - 26.07	5	60
EST AL4	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM IV	ANIM	29.07 - 30.08	5	60
EST AL5	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM V	ANIM	02.09 - 27.09	5	60
EST AL6	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM VI	ANIM	30.09 - 31.10	5	60
EST KRI1	KRIUSILLA BEES FARM	AGRI	21.07 - 04.08	6	50
EST 01	PÄRNU YOUTH CAMP	KIDS	TBC	2	50
EST 02	SAAREMAA YOUTH CAMP	KIDS	16.07 - 22.07	4	40
EST 03	MARJAMAA FOLK FESTIVAL	FEST	30.07 - 05.08	10	175
EST 04	VIHASOO YOUTH CAMP	KIDS	17.08 - 25.08	5	50
EST 05	PAIDE YOUTH CAMP	MANU	TBC	7	50
EST 06	PILLISTVERE	MANU	TBC	8	50
EST ELF1	Conservation work with Estonian Nature Fund	ENVI	TBC	7	200
EST DT21	DOWN TOWN KIDS 21	KIDS/ TEACH	10.06 - 22.06	6	50
EST DT22	DOWN TOWN KIDS 22	KIDS/ TEACH	22.06 - 06.07	6	50
EST DT23	DOWN TOWN KIDS 23	KIDS/ TEACH	19.07 - 03.08	6	50
EST DT24	DOWN TOWN KIDS 24	KIDS/ TEACH	02.08 - 17.08	6	50
EST LTA1	TAEVASKOJA YOUTH CAMP 1	KIDS	25.06 - 01.07	3	40
EST LTA2	TAEVASKOJA YOUTH CAMP 2	KIDS	01.07 - 08.07	3	40
EST LTA3	TAEVASKOJA YOUTH CAMP 3	KIDS	08.07 - 15.07	3	40
EST LTA4	TAEVASKOJA YOUTH CAMP 4	KIDS	28.07 - 04.08	3	40
EST LTA5	TAEVASKOJA YOUTH CAMP 5	KIDS	04.08 - 11.08	3	40
EST LTA6	TAEVASKOJA YOUTH CAMP 6	KIDS	15.08 - 23.08	3	40
EST MTV1	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM	ANIM	24.04 - 31.10	3	150
EST MTV2	LEPANIIDI FARM	AGRI/ ANIM	03.06 - 30.09	2	120
EST MTV3	LANGUAGE SCHOOL IN DOWN TOWN	KIDS/ TEACH	06.06 - 20.08	2	100
EST TMS1	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 1	TEEN/ ENVI	07.07 - 18.07	40	490
EST TMS2	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 2	TEEN/ ENVI	17.07 - 28.07	40	490
EST TMS3	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 3	TEEN/ ENVI	27.07 - 07.08	40	490
EST TMS4	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 4	TEEN/ ENVI	06.08 - 17.08	40	490
EST TMS5	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 5	TEEN/ ENVI	16.08 - 27.08	40	490

EST TDT 11	TEEN DOWN TOWN 11	TEEN/ STUDY	24.06 - 30.06	8	320
EST TDT 12	TEEN DOWN TOWN 12	TEEN/ STUDY	30.06 - 06.07	8	320
EST TDT 13	TEEN DOWN TOWN 13	TEEN/ STUDY	21.07 - 28.07	8	360
EST TDT 14	TEEN DOWN TOWN 14	TEEN/ STUDY	28.07 - 03.08	8	320
EST TDT 15	TEEN DOWN TOWN 15	TEEN/ STUDY	04.08 - 11.08	8	360
EST TDT 16	TEEN DOWN TOWN 16	TEEN/ STUDY	11.08 - 17.08	8	320
EST TDT 21	TEEN DOWN TOWN 21	TEEN/ STUDY	12.06 - 22.06	8	480
EST TDT 22	TEEN DOWN TOWN 22	TEEN/ STUDY	24.06 - 06.07	8	560
EST TDT 23	TEEN DOWN TOWN 23	TEEN/ STUDY	21.07 - 03.08	8	590
EST TDT 24	TEEN DOWN TOWN 24	TEEN/ STUDY	04.08 - 17.08	8	590

EST KI1	KINGU ORGANIC FARM I	KANEPI	13.05 - 27.05	AGRI	5 vols
EST KI2	KINGU ORGANIC FARM II	KANEPI	17.06 - 30.06	AGRI	5 vols
EST KI3	KINGU ORGANIC FARM III	KANEPI	01.07 - 14.07	AGRI	5 vols
EST KI4	KINGU ORGANIC FARM IV	KANEPI	15.07 - 28.07	AGRI	5 vols
EST KI5	KINGU ORGANIC FARM V	KANEPI	05.08 - 19.08	AGRI	5 vols
EST KI6	KINGU ORGANIC FARM VI	KANEPI	02.09 - 16.09	AGRI	5 vols

Project

For many years EstYES has been cooperating with eco-farms around Estonia demonstrating solidarity and respect to their work and supporting local people, who keep agricultural traditions and develop eco-farming in Estonia. Organic farm Kingu is one of them. This is a berry, fruit and vegetable micro-farm in the South Estonia. The main berry crops are raspberries, various currants, gooseberries, Japanese quince, garlic and rhubarb. Everything is grown in an environmentally sustainable way using straw and hay. The farm promotes sustainable lifestyle, and this camp is proposed for volunteers who appreciate and share its values, want to learn more and to help hard working people in country side.

Work

The main task is harvesting various berries and vegetables such as rhubarb, currants, raspberries, Japanese quince, then helping juice making and products packaging. But there is also weed control and fertilization with mulch in plantations, mowing grass, cutting branches, removal of bushes and wood chipping, assistance in the construction of various small buildings, vegetable beds and other necessary structures on the site, painting as well. And there is ongoing work of planting seeds. Working hours are 5-7 hours a day for 5 days a week. The exact work depends on season and partly on weather conditions.

Accommodation

Farm life conditions are simple. Sleeping is in a separate house in beds. Bed sheets, blankets and pillows are provided, so no need for sleeping bag. There is outdoor kitchen with all necessary equipment. Volunteers can make breakfast and lunch themselves, and dinner will be prepared by and taken with the family. Washing is in the sauna. There is a dry organic toilet. Volunteers have to take care of their surroundings by cleaning up after themselves.

Location

The farm is located in Kanepi municipality just 11km from Otepää and 47km from Tartu. When coming from Tartu, choose a bus to Võru and get off at the Saverna stop. Buses stop there quite often, travel takes about 40 minutes. Also you can come through Otepää. Knowing your arrival time and place hosts will pick you up from there. Bus information is on www.tpilet.ee or www.luxexpress.ee. The farm is located in the tiny village of Aiaste. It is important to understand that it is calm and quiet place (there are no events in the village). But with nice weather, it is possible to see deer in the field, foxes in a strawberry bed and storks. While sitting by the fire at night, enjoy stars in the sky and listen to the nature sounds by animals such as badgers or raccoons.

Special requirements

You have to be open-minded and be ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the rural life being ready to do farm work which can be hard sometimes. The minimum age of participants is 19, no upper limit.

Leisure time

It is possible to swim, make a fire, play volleyball, disc golf and other games or go for mushroom picking if you like it. There is a swimming lake in Valgjärv 4 km away. You can use various hiking trails. If interested you can visit nearby farms where you can get to know horses, sheep and other animals and see many other interesting things. There is very nice restaurant nearby <https://kodas.ee/restaurant/> and Cantervilla Castle where you can have fun in the water park. More info on www.cantervilla.ee

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **50 Euro** towards the costs of general administration. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp.** If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

EST LE1	LEPANIIDI ORGANIC FARM I	HIIUMAA	03.06 - 30.06	AGRI	3
EST LE2	LEPANIIDI ORGANIC FARM II	HIIUMAA	02.07 - 31.07	AGRI	3
EST LE3	LEPANIIDI ORGANIC FARM III	HIIUMAA	02.08 - 31.08	AGRI	3
EST LE4	LEPANIIDI ORGANIC FARM IV	HIIUMAA	02.09 - 30.09	AGRI	3

Helping local organic farmers on the romantic island of Hiiumaa !

Project

Hiiumaa according to the Nordic sagas emerged from the Baltic Sea as a small islet more than 10 000 years ago. The island of Hiiumaa was first mentioned in historical documents as a deserted island called Dageida in 1228. The first inhabitants settled down at the end of the 13th century. Nowadays Hiiumaa is the second biggest island of Estonia with the area of 965 sq. km and the population around 10 000. It has many historical and nature sights, and there are kind people known for their hospitality and good sense of humor. The island is referred as a remote area of Europe, so EstYES feels particularly proud developing international voluntary projects for 20 years there. For years EstYES has been cooperating with farms all over Estonia for solidarity and practical support to local people who work in agricultural sector keeping traditional life style and developing new eco-farming despite of all difficulties. Lepaniidi Farm on Hiiumaa Island is one of such projects. This is an organic farm promoting sustainable lifestyle, and camp is proposed for volunteers who appreciate and share its values, want to learn more about it and to help hard working people.

Work

Lepaniidi Farm has currently about 150 sheep for producing meat and wool, over 40 goats, 20 of whom are for milk and goat cheese production. Volunteers will be helping grazing, feeding, milking the goats, processing the milk, but also picking berries and vegetables. So, in the mornings there will be goats milking, at days - picking the berries and fruits (strawberries, raspberries and blackcurrant) and making a jam/juice or there will be work in vegetable garden, removing weeds, picking vegetables, etc. During the autumn shift volunteers will be mainly picking up and sorting vegetables (potatoes, carrots, beetroots), milking goats and making cheese. Participants will have a great chance to get familiar with various farm jobs and even to learn how to make goat cheese! Inside of the house it would be great to give some hand too etc. cooking and cleaning around. The working day will be 6-7 hours, 5-6 days a week (NB: milking is every day). Work will be supervised by local hosts with whom volunteers will stay sharing work and leisure as a family.

Accommodation

The accommodation conditions at the farm will be simple - in old sauna house or caravan but on beds. Please bring your sleeping bag. Toilets and showers are available in the main house; there is also traditional Estonian sauna in the farm. There is a kitchen with necessary equipment for cooking, which volunteers may use freely – just like at home. Usually volunteers will have breakfasts and lunch together with farmers cooked and served by the hosts, but you always can help with cooking. Dinners will be prepared by volunteers.

Location

Hiiumaa Island, Kaina parish, Ristivalja village, Lepaniidi farm. Hiiumaa Island is in the west of Estonia, 140 km from Tallinn. More information on www.hiiumaa.ee or www.visitestonia.com

Terminal

Airport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn. From the airport buses nr 2 and 15 going to the city centre stops by the Tallinn Bus Station (Bussijaam). From there two times per day buses take you straight to Hiiumaa (including ferry transportation from the mainland). Timetables are available online at www.tpilet.ee and www.luxexpress.eu

Special requirements

Motivation letter is required. You have to be ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the common life in the country side of Estonia and be willing to do farm work, which can be hard sometimes. Not suitable for lactose allergic participants since host offers a lot of dairy products. The host eats a lot of meat products too, but volunteers can always cook for themselves. **Smoking and drinking alcohol is not allowed in this camp.**

NB! It is possible to adapt the arrival date to your availability.

Leisure time

There are lot of natural picturesque sights in the area. Sea coast is 7km away and there is a possibility to take the bicycles to go swimming. It is possible to visit other parts of Hiiumaa Island on weekend. Hiiumaa offers a lot of events on weekends in summer. Hosts plan to arrange some tours around the island. This camp is absolutely suitable for people who enjoy nature and interested in traditional ways of rural living.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **60 Euros** towards the costs of the general administration. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the stay.** If you cannot make it, ask your sending organization for solution.

EST AL1	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM I	HIIUMAA	06.05 - 31.05	ANIM	5
EST AL2	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM II	HIIUMAA	03.06 - 28.06	ANIM	5
EST AL3	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM III	HIIUMAA	01.07 - 26.07	ANIM	5
EST AL4	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM IV	HIIUMAA	29.07 - 30.08	ANIM	5
EST AL5	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM V	HIIUMAA	02.09 - 27.09	ANIM	5
EST AL6	ALLIKSAARE HORSE FARM VI	HIIUMAA	30.09 - 31.10	ANIM	5

Project

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Work

Alliksaare Farm's main direction is horse breeding. At the moment there are around 150 horses on the farm. The work is diverse: it is to take care and maintain the pastures located by the sea - clearing around the pastures, building or removing fences, repairing fences, cleaning the stable. Another work is cleaning the coast nearby the farm from rubbish brought by storms. There can be some work for preparing food for horses for a winter time. **But the most important work is with horses directly** - taking care of them and to train horses. We have horses of any age, but mostly young horses, so depending on your experience and willingness to learn, it is possible to learn how to take care and train horses of all ages. For example socializing and training foals, halter train yearlings and saddle and/or carriage train young horses. The work will be mainly outdoors. Working time is 6-7 hours a day. Work will be done under some supervision and guidance of the local host but also **quite a lot independently**.

Accommodation

The accommodation conditions are very simple - in caravans, however beds are provided. Please bring your sleeping bag. Toilets and showers are available on site. There is a kitchen with all necessary equipment for cooking. Ingredients for food will be provided, but you need to cook by yourselves. We ask you to keep the living and common areas clean (washing dishes, cleaning the floors, etc).

Location

Alliksaare farm is located in Nurste Kula, Emmaste parish, Hiiumaa island. Hiiumaa is situated in the western part of Estonia, 130km from Tallinn. More information available on the following websites: www.emmaste.ee, www.hiiumaa.ee, www.visitestonia.com

Terminal

Airport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn. From Tallinn airport plane to Hiiumaa leaves twice a day <https://eestilennud.ee>. Or you get there by bus. For this take bus nr 2 or 15 going to the city centre. Buses stop at Tallinn Bus Station (Bussijaam). From there buses go to Hiiumaa two times per day taking you straight there (including ferry transportation from the mainland). Timetables are available online at www.tpilet.ee (bus from Tallinn to Hiiumaa), <https://transport.tallinn.ee/> (transport in Tallinn).

Special requirements

You have to be open-minded and ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the common life in Estonian countryside. Be ready for independent work staying without permanent supervision. Please consider that the work is mainly farm work which can be hard at some time. **It is great if you have experience with horses.** It is helpful if you have some technical skills: repair machines, building, use chainsaws, etc. Driving license is an advantage. **Smoking and drinking alcohol are not permitted on the farm.**

Leisure time

There are a lot of natural picturesque sights on the island as well as good possibilities for swimming in the sea or hiking in the forest. It is planned to visit other parts of Hiiumaa Island on the week-end. Hiiumaa offers a lot of various cultural events in summer time and you will have the possibility to join them. In spring and autumn you can enjoy birds watching as their migration route goes over island. This camp is perfect for people who enjoy being close to the nature and are interested in traditional way of rural living.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute a single fee of **60 Euro** towards the costs of general administration. Fee does not depend on the duration of your stay. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp to the bank account.** If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

EST KRI1 KRIUSILLA BEES FARM ANIJA 21.07 - 04.08 AGRI 6 vols

How honey is made? Come to find out and taste!

Project

For many years EstYES has been cooperating with eco-farms around Estonia for solidarity and respect to their work and to support local people involved in agricultural sector, who keep traditions and develop new eco-farming in Estonia despite of all difficulties. Kriusilla Farm is one of them. This is the organic farm dealing with traditional bees-keeping and promoting sustainable lifestyle. So, this camp is proposed for volunteers who appreciate and share eco-values, want to learn more about it and to help hard working people. This camp follows positive experience of the camps for over 15 years.

Work

Kriusilla is a small farm dealing mainly with beekeeping and forestry. Volunteers will be doing some forestry work (cleaning and weeding forestry, planting trees, building wood construction) but also collecting honey, cleaning and improving bee houses, possibly helping to build new ones. There can be also some light odd jobs in the house, building and gardening. The working day will be 5-7 hours depending on weather conditions.

Accommodation

The accommodation conditions on the farm will be simple yet beds are provided. Please bring your sleeping bags. Toilets and showers are available. There is kitchen with all necessary equipment for cooking. Volunteers will be served food cooked by the hosts.

Location

The farm is located in Anija Community of Harjumaa County. Distance from Tallinn is about 40 km. More information on www.visitestonia.com

Terminal

Airport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn, train to Kehra.

Special requirements

You have to be open-minded and be ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the rural life and be ready for the farm work, which can be hard sometimes. **NB!** Obviously, **the volunteers should not be afraid of or be allergic to bees.**

Leisure time

There are a lot of leisure time possibilities in the area for people enjoying nature and interested in sustainable way of living. There are many interesting locally important natural sites in the area. There is Jagala River 4 km away, picturesque lakes about 20 km away and the sea 40 km away. Short trips in the area are planned by hosts. It is easy and quite possible to go to Tallinn on your own in the free time to enjoy its attraction and numerous opportunities flourishing in summer period. Besides there will be some local festivities in the villages nearby www.voose.ee; www.viikingitekyla.ee ; www.korvemaa.ee/en ; <https://anijamois.ee/> which can be attended together with the hosts.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **50 Euro** towards the costs of general administration. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp.** If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

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SAAREMAA YOUTH CAMP SAAREMAA

16.07 - 22.07

KIDS 4 vols

Project

Would you like to have a short-term active and meaningful vacation for a week in Jämaja village on the beautiful Island of Saaremaa? Then this camp is just for you! The camp is organized for 20 teenagers aged 14-17, who are young leaders of Estonian scout-like organisations Noored Kotkad and Kodututred. The main aim of the camp to teach youngsters useful skills, providing them intensive experience of learning and practicing in communication, sport, orientation, nature, history, etc. The camp program includes many games and activities, sport, swimming, orientation, excursions to some places of interest, conversations and discussions, working groups. Working language is English, local is Estonian.

Work

The main task for volunteers is to deal with teenagers, providing cross-cultural learning experience for them as well as English language environment. It will be done through games, sport, club-like activities, excursions, discussions, etc. Volunteers alongside with local leaders will be responsible for the whole program of the children camp on 17.-21.07. The job can involve long working hours and require high level of commitment and responsibility for the camp program and the young participants. Some days may be quite long for late-night orientations, landscape game in the forest, campfire. It will be great if you could introduce your country, language and culture to young people.

Accommodation

Volunteers will share one room on the second floor of the same camp house where youngsters will stay. Bathrooms are of the common use. You don't need sleeping bags, but please bring your own towels. Meals will be served for all participants at the dining room. Help in the kitchen may be needed time to time.

Location

The camp site is located in the Jämaja village on Sõrve peninsula in southern part of the Island of Saaremaa. This is the most south-west part of the country known for its outstanding beauty. Information about the region can be found on http://www.visitestonia.com/en/tip-of-sorve?site_preference=normal, <https://torgukuningriik.com/442761321/450041068>

Leisure time

There are a lot of possibilities for active leisure time in this camp: swimming, sunbathing, hiking, sport, etc. It is possible to visit churches in Kihelkonna, Mustjala, Kaarma, Jämaja, magic meteorite crater Kaali Lake and Episcopal castle in Kuressaare. More information on <http://www.saaremaa.ee/>

Terminal

Airport, bus or train station, harbour in Tallinn. From the Tallinn bus station (Bussijaam) on Lastekodu Str 46 bus to Kuressaare. Trip about 4h 20 minutes. More information on www.tpilet.ee or www.luxexpress.ee

Special requirements

Please take clothes and shoes suitable for sport and hiking. We expect active volunteers with a good knowledge of history and culture of their country able and willing to present it to others in a creative way. You should be in a good physical shape and be motivated to work with young people. Good level of English is required. People with scouting experience are welcome! The age of volunteers is 20-30. Previous experience in work with children and teenagers is an advantage. Camp languages are Estonian and English.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **40 Euro** each towards the costs of general administration. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp.** If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

Helping local community to run International Folk Dance Festival

Project

It is good tradition for EstYES to organize international workcamps in co-operation with Marjamaa Community. It lies on the half way between Tallinn and Parnu, and it is known for its rich historical and cultural heritage: ancient settlement in Varbola, XIII century church in Marjamaa, numerous German manor houses of XVIII-XIX centuries and active culture life nowadays. Local authorities see in the international camps a powerful tool for local development - not only in terms of work done by volunteers but mainly for introduction multicultural dimension to the population of small local communities in the country. The camp will take place in the village of Marjamaa, the centre of the community. The main idea of this camp is to assist running the 19th international Marjamaa Folk Dance Festival helping different practical tasks. More information about Folk Festivals can be found here <https://marjamaafolk.ee/en/about-the-festival/>

Work

As there will be the 19th international Marjamaa Folk Dance Festival and The Days of the Village on 01.-04.08, volunteers are asked to help it out doing various practical jobs related to its organization and running. This will involve a lot of cleaning and manual work. But it is also expected that volunteers contribute to the festival by introducing their national culture, music, dances, also food to local people as well as organizing games and fun activities for local children during the Day of the Youth and Children in the frame of the Festival. Be ready to work for some hours on the weekend!

Accommodation:

Volunteers will have simple accommodation in the rooms of the Marjamaa Community House right in the middle of the village, sleeping on mattresses. Please bring a sleeping bag. Toilets and showers are available. Volunteers will have lunches and dinners in the local canteen and breakfast prepared by themselves at the accommodation.

Location

Marjamaa is a village with ca 4000 inhabitants on the half way between Tallinn and Parnu. Distance from Marjamaa to Tallinn is 66 km. Being an administrative centre of community with 7000 inhabitants Marjamaa has several shops, department stores, culture house, cinema, several pubs, etc. Larger city nearby is Rapla (25km), an administrative centre of the county. Marjamaa has good bus connection to Tallinn and Parnu. More information on www.marjamaa.ee and www.raplamaa.ee

Terminal

Airport, harbor, bus & train stations in Tallinn; bus to Marjamaa.

Special requirements

Please bring sleeping bag and pillow. It will be great if you could think about your contribution to the festival and bring some materials, music, games for kids as well as national food/ drinks for it. If you can present folk songs or dances from your country or teach others it you really should not hesitate to do it! English is the camp language.

Leisure time

You can enjoy all performances of the Festival. During the international Folk Festival volunteers can join diverse activities and parties with the international participants and locals such as Festival Club every evening. Besides, it is possible to do sport at the school stadium, swim in the local swimming pool; also go for some visits to the places of interest in the area.

Participation fee

Due to the lack of financial support for the project the participation fee of **175 Euro** is requested from volunteers to cover the costs of board, leisure activities and administration. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp.** If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

Project

Tallinn youth centre “Youth Club Active” runs children’s camp in Vihasoo for 30 years. The aim of Vihasoo camp is to give children possibility of active and meaningful summer vacations. The base of Vihasoo lies 70km from Tallinn. The camp is located on the territory of Lahemaa National Park. The wonderful nature, proximity to the sea (about 100m), good facilities – all this makes Vihasoo ideal place for leisure. Such location brings children closer to unspoiled nature and gives them an excellent opportunity to get acquainted with Estonian national heritage richly presented in the area. Each summer period of the camp has its own theme. The purpose of this period is to discover different countries and cultures through artistic expression which could be dancing or singing, national style party, music or art of any kind – anything volunteer is good at. The idea is to have intercultural diversity to be presented to kids. We want to give children opportunity to discover differences in cultures, that they can learn it and reflect after. To achieve this aim Vihasoo camp invites international volunteers to join it as animators. Most of children are Russian-speaking from minority communities of Estonia. The area of the camp is 1,8 ha and it can host about 80 children on one shift. The age is 12-16. More information on www.vihasoo.ee

Work

Each day of the camp will have a program completed by local coordinators and volunteers will be helping to realize it. The main activities will be intercultural learning through finding differences and similarities between Estonia and countries, where volunteers come from (history, traditions, language, singing, dancing, etc). It will be done through art, games, drama, sport, discussions. We expect active volunteers with the good knowledge of history and culture of their country and ability to present it. Volunteers would lead workshops connected with their **cultural expression** during 5 days of the camp, which may culminate with small performance on the last day of the project. The duration of each workshop is 2 hours. You do not have to be professional, the most important that it is enjoyable and fun! Besides, each volunteer has to run one cultural night to present own country and culture to others. After placement volunteers will be contacted by organizers to get involved and guided in the preparation of the program before arrival to Estonia. Volunteer will work in partnership with professional local educators and youth workers - 25 staff members.

Accommodation

In the separate house with other staff members in 4-6-bedded rooms. Sleeping bag is not needed. Volunteers will eat together with children and staff in the canteen. Showers, dry toilets and Wi-Fi are available.

Location

Vihasoo is tiny village in the picturesque Lahemaa National Park 70km from Tallinn. Surrounded by forest, near to the sea, it is the ideal place for summer vacations. The nearest town (7km) is Vosu, spa town with about 1000 inhabitants.

Terminal

Airport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn, specially arranged car to Vihasoo. We will organise transfer for the volunteers after their arrival to Tallinn, one day before children arrive to the camp that is to get to know each other and prepare things.

Special requirements

You have to love kids and be well **motivated to work** with them. **The work demands 24-hours commitment and it can be pretty hard sometimes.** Weekend is not free! Experience in work with children is an advantage. We expect active volunteers with good knowledge of history and culture of their country and ability to present it. Moreover, volunteer should be good enough in some art to be able to lead a workshop for kids. All exciting ideas of activities for kids, games etc are welcome. English and Russian are the camp languages.

Leisure time

Hiking, swimming, sunbathing, sports, games, excursions to the places of interest in the Lahemaa National Park.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **50 Euro** each towards the costs of general administration. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp.** If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your organization.

EST DT1	DOWN TOWN KIDS I	TALLINN	10.06 - 22.06	KIDS/TEACH	6 vols
EST DT2	DOWN TOWN KIDS II	TALLINN	22.06 - 06.07	KIDS/TEACH	6 vols
EST DT3	DOWN TOWN KIDS III	TALLINN	19.07 - 03.08	KIDS/TEACH	6 vols
EST DT4	DOWN TOWN KIDS IV	TALLINN	02.08 - 17.08	KIDS/TEACH	6 vols

Project

This project is organized for local children by The Language School “In Down-Town” and the non-profit educational association “Alternative Language Programs Satellite” (ALPS) as part of their annual activities on multicultural issues for youth. Some international teenage participants will join. The common project’s aim is to introduce the diversity of world cultures to children and provide them with good practices in intercultural communication using the learning-by-doing method and organizing alternative English language practice. The project gets youngsters familiar with customs and traditions of the countries from all over the world and encourages them to develop their cross-cultural thinking and tolerance as well as global thinking and individual initiative. This summer we offer you to participate in our new project called “MATRIX”. Camp participants will learn about different meanings of this word. Together, we will identify the ways how to improve the matrix of the modern world, how to become a better version of ourselves and how to develop our emotional intelligence. Camp participants will acquire life skills that they will need to create their own codes for personal matrices that will have power to change their life for the better. They are the smart matrices of our personalities, souls, love and success, well-being and happy life. Meetings with local and/or international professionals in the field will take place. Thematic photo and video contests for camp participants will be organized.

NB! It is possible to apply to join for 2 shifts in a row EST DT1 + EST DT2 or EST DT3 + EST DT4

Work

Activating kids in the city camp and providing them with cross-cultural learning experience. Volunteers will do it by using various informal methods of teaching as well as small group techniques. The activities to be held by a team of volunteers may include the following: playing the games and performing music that are popular in the countries the volunteers represent; training kids to perform pieces of amateur drama; preparing festivals; providing intellectual and sport games as well as discussions; preparing quests to combine with excursions round the places of interest; organizing actions for peace and nature protection; leading and supporting kids in their work on the team projects within the topics related to the main theme of the summer. Volunteers are responsible for the day activities in the camp. The work can be quite heavy, involving long working hours, requiring high level of commitment and responsibility. You will stay with campers from 10:00 to 17:00 (45-minute lunch is included) and spend about another hour to prepare and finalize next day activities and feedback. Working days are from Monday to Friday plus one duty Saturday; Sundays are days off except the one after arrival. The local participants are mainly youngsters from minority groups of Tallinn whose family’s languages include Russian. Based on the previous year, we expect a number of kids and teen participants in one camp shift as up to 40. Volunteers will work in pairs facilitating and leading a smaller group of 10 - 12 children or less during the day and change the groups every 2-3 days.

During the first three days of the camp right after arrival, volunteers will be given a training on the camp methodology and some time to prepare themselves to meet the kids/teens on Monday and further carry out their tasks in the camp. For this reason, **it is important to arrive on time.**

Arrival

Volunteers are expected to arrive to the camp location **before 12:00 on a day the shift starts** (namely, Saturday 10.06; Saturday 22.06; Friday 19.07; Friday 02.08)

Volunteers are expected to arrive by the official start of the project; please make sure that you are at school on time and choose to arrive one day before in case there is no flight to be taken to arrive by 12:00 in the morning on your first project day.

Due to volunteers work with minors we expect them to provide a **criminal clearance** and a **doctor’s check certificate** including tuberculosis clearance. Please make sure that you have a **travel insurance** certificate as well

IMPORTANT: Unless there are any special anti-COVID measures for minors announced by the Estonian Government on the date of your arrival, no medical or green-pass certificates are required. Before travelling please check information on the

websites <https://www.kriis.ee/en/covid-crisis-management-qa/crisis-management/levels-risk> or <https://reopen.europa.eu> or <https://kriis.ee/en/travelling-crossing-state-border/travelling-estonia/travelling-estonia>

Accommodation

There are 2 options possible (which are the subject to availability):

1) The premises of The Language School "In Down-Town" located on the 4th and 5th floors of a business building in the city centre. In summer time, a part of the school is reserved for the volunteers' accommodation that includes several separate dormitory bedrooms, equipped kitchen, a small dining area, a large shower area and two separate toilet cabins. Bed linen, pillows and blankets will be provided, so you do NOT need to bring a sleeping bag unless you want so. For the reasons of security, volunteers will be issued only one set of keys. To facilitate a smooth and safe environment at school during the off-hours, the entrance to the school must be kept closed at all times. The access to the school and accommodation areas will be managed by long-term volunteers or school staff. Please be aware that between 01:00 a.m. and 09:00 a.m. the access to the building will be closed. Catering will be organized by the school on an agreement with the volunteers (selection of times, meals - provided or volunteers cook, etc.).

2) A furnished shared apartment in the residential area of Tallinn. Volunteers will be issued two sets of keys. The apartment has three-four dormitory bedrooms and all necessary facilities, and it takes about 20 minutes to get to the city center by public transport. Public transport cards will be provided. Volunteers will cook their breakfast meals themselves (food for a standard European breakfast will be provided); dinner meals will be served at school between 18:00 and 19:00; lunches will be organized for the whole camp (including kids/teens) in the city centre.

NB: it is not possible to stay at any of the camp accommodation options before or after the camp arrival and departure days. If you need a place to stay before or after the workcamp dates, we can help you to book a hostel in Tallinn.

Location

Camp takes place in the school that is situated in the center of Tallinn, Estonian capital www.visittallinn.ee/eng

Special requirements

You have to be **really motivated** to work with kids. **Please provide a letter of your motivation** along with the application form. An experience of working with children is an advantage. Your ideas and actual preparation to do the activities for kids are essential, so accepted volunteer will be required to meet the team online to discuss and complete some preliminary preparation. We ask you to bring some materials: postcards, posters, symbols of your country, music or popular national games etc., which can be used during your country presentation. We expect active volunteers with a good knowledge of history and culture of their country able and willing to present it to others in a creative way. **B2 level of English is required. The age of volunteers is from 20 to 30.** Please note that before making a final decision about your participation in the camp, the project coordinator will have a **video interview** with you.

Leisure time

There are a lot of possibilities for leisure time activities as the camp takes place in the capital where one can find attractions for all tastes: sightseeing and museums, festivals, concerts, live music, pubs, etc. The camp provides an excellent opportunity to establish contacts with young Estonians and to experience the local life.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **50 Euro** towards the costs of general administration. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp.** If you cannot make it, please contact your sending organization for a solution. If you apply for two shifts in a row the participation fee is **80 Euro**.

EST LTA1	Taevaskoja Youth Camp 1	POLVA	25.06 - 01.07	KIDS	3 vols
EST LTA2	Taevaskoja Youth Camp 2	POLVA	01.07 - 08.07	KIDS	3 vols
EST LTA3	Taevaskoja Youth Camp 3	POLVA	08.07 - 15.07	KIDS	3 vols
EST LTA4	Taevaskoja Youth Camp 4	POLVA	28.07 - 04.08	KIDS	3 vols
EST LTA5	Taevaskoja Youth Camp 5	POLVA	04.08 - 11.08	KIDS	3 vols
EST LTA6	Taevaskoja Youth Camp 6	POLVA	15.08 - 23.08	KIDS	3 vols

Project

Taevaskoja Youth Camp is adventurous hiking camp that has been active for 30 years. The aim of Taevaskoja camp is to support children's development through non-formal education. During the youth camp kids participate in different workshops about health, safety, culture and enjoy climbing and hiking activities. Taevaskoja is located in South-Estonia, about 230 km from Tallinn. The camp site is very close to the one of the most popular natural touristic place - Suur Taevaskoda (The Large Heaven's Hall), surrounded by beautiful forest and close to the one of the longest rivers in Estonia. Such location brings children closer to unspoiled nature and gives them an excellent opportunity to get acquainted with Estonian national heritage richly presented in the area. The camp aims also to develop children's knowledges about different cultures and support the growth of tolerance. To do that Taevaskoja Youth Camp invites international volunteers to join the camp as animators. Children come to Taevaskoja camp from all over Estonia. Most of them have basic knowledge of English and are very happy to have a chance to practice it. More information on www.taevaskoja.ee/taevaskoja-noortelaager/ Camp has several periods with different age groups of kids. **NB! It is possible to join for several camp shifts in a row.**

Work

Each day of the camp will have a program completed by local coordinators and the volunteers will be helping to realize it. The main activities will be intercultural learning through finding differences and similarities between Estonia and countries, where volunteers come from (history, traditions, language, singing, dancing). It will be done through games, drama, sport, discussions. We expect that **volunteers would lead a workshop connected with their culture (traditional dances, games, everyday life, food, etc.)** It can be educational one or as a game to play. Therefore we look for active volunteers with good knowledge of history and culture of their country and ability to present it. Volunteer will work in partnership with professional local educators and youth workers – 9 staff members. The age of children is from 8 to 17 depending on shift.

Accommodation

In the same house with kids, separate room for volunteers and staff members (2-3 people in the same room). Volunteers will eat together with children and staff in the canteen. Showers, toilets and Wi-Fi are available.

Location

Taevaskoja is a tiny village in South-Estonia with 90 habitants. Distance from Tallinn is 230 km. But in summer it becomes one of the most visited natural sights. <http://www.taevaskoja.ee/taevaskoja-loodus> <https://www.visitestonia.com/en/suur-ja-vaike-taevaskoda-sandstone-outcrops>

Terminal

Airport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn. Alternatively you can arrive to Riga, capital of Latvia. From these cities it is easy to travel to Tartu by bus. From Tartu you can come to Taevaskoja by regular bus or train. Arrival is on the first day of the camp in the evening, around 18-19. Departure is on the last day of the camp in the morning.

Special requirements

You have to love kids and be really **motivated to work** with them. The work demands 24-hours commitment and it can be pretty hard sometimes. Experience in work with children is an advantage. We expect active volunteers with good knowledge of history and culture of their country and ability to present it. All exciting ideas of activities for kids, games etc. are welcome. Good ability to communicate in English is needed and knowledge of Russian may be useful. **The age of participants is 20-33.**

Leisure time

Plenty of possibilities: hiking, swimming, sunbathing, sports, games, excursions to the places of interest in the area.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **40 Euro** towards the costs of general administration. In case of participation in **more than one shift** the total fee is **60 Euro**. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp.**

TEENAGE PROJECTS

EST TMS1	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 1	NOVA	07.07 - 18.07	TEEN/ ENVI	30 int + 10 loc
EST TMS2	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 2	NOVA	17.07 - 28.07	TEEN/ ENVI	30 int + 10 loc
EST TMS3	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 3	NOVA	27.07 - 07.08	TEEN/ ENVI	30 int + 10 loc
EST TMS4	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 4	NOVA	06.08 - 17.08	TEEN/ ENVI	30 int + 10 loc
EST TMS5	MENS SANA IN CORPORE SANO 5	NOVA	16.08 - 27.08	TEEN/ ENVI	30 int + 15 loc

Project

This camp is organized for teenagers by youth sport club Lukas-Basket which has been running national youth camps for 25 years and International ones for the past 12 years. International teenage camps will be hosted on seaside in the West of Estonia in Laanemaa County in the municipality of Nova. Beautiful nature, numerous historical places, 200 years long tradition of health resort, unique cultural events are the treasures of the County. Nova with warm sea, white sand, mushroom and berry crops, picturesque lakes, cobble stone road and many places of interest is ideal place for leisure. The aim of Nova camp is to give young people possibility to have active, healthy and meaningful summer vacations with different sport adventures, to enjoy unspoiled nature and to learn to live in harmony with it, also to explore and realize their own capacities and limits. The program will include water activities, sport and ball games, eco-hikes, bicycle trips to places of interest, horse riding, fishing, rowing, acquaintance with local culture and many other exciting things. *Mens sana in corpore sano (Healthy Spirit in Healthy Body)* – this is the message of the camp! Besides all this, camp gives possibility for intensive contacts between local youth and their peers from abroad, showing youngsters the diversity of world cultures, broadening their horizons and encouraging active communication through games and creative activities. Finally, **there will be some voluntary work for nature protection and to support local community.**

The area of the camp is about 3 hectares and it can host over 60 youngsters on one shift. The age of local participants is 10-18. Local teenagers are mainly Russian-speaking of minority communities of Estonia. Videos from past camps are available here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZV4WZ61Zxyl> , <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwTAJF6pIGs&feature=youtu.be>

Program

There are diverse activities in the camp program: canoeing, water scootering, running ATV, paintball in the forest, sport games - football, rugby, volleyball, athletics, table tennis, archery, frisbee, disc-golf, trampolines, different competitions, forest cross, sport orientation in the forest on and on sea (navigation), fishing, Viking boats, bicycle trips to explore the area, visit to the horse farm with horse riding, excursions historical places of interest in the area, active games and adventure trail in Roosta Adventure Park, picnics on a seaside, building sand and stones castles on the beach, Estonian sauna party, etc. In addition, there will be creative workshops on decoupage, soap-making, wooden handicrafts, etc. Bikes are available for the whole camp duration free of charge.

Work

There will be also some voluntary work such as painting of community buildings, making wooden toys and games for local orphanage, repairing benches and tables, cleaning local beach and old local park from garbage, planting trees, little renovation works in the local school, clearing pavement, helping seniors living in the community with some household duties, berries and herbs picking to give the crop to the orphanage and seniors home, duty in a kitchen and around the camp once in a shift, etc. The work will be organised in cooperation with local forestry department, municipality of Nova and local school. **Please note that the work described above is planned for the whole summer and it may change from one shift to another depending on local needs, the season and weather conditions.**

Accommodation

In wooden huts set by the local school nearby the seaside (500m away). Please **bring your sleeping bag** and mat. Showers, toilets are provided in the school and there will be additional bio-toilets set on camping site. You can have traditional Estonian sauna every day!

Catering

Meals are served 3 times a day. There are water machines with cold water in the school complex. Catering takes place in the school's mess hall or into the lager tent outside near the mess. Meals are cooked by professional cooks. However participants will be asked to help cleaning.

Medical Aid

Camp staff members have medical certificates and are able to provide the first aid. And there is a car on call 24/7 which goes to the nearest hospital, which is 40km away, in more serious case of any emergency.

Location

Nova is one of 11 municipalities of Laanemaa with about 400 inhabitants, located on the seaside 90 km west from capital of Estonia Tallinn and 40 km north from Haapsalu, famous spa town with many historic and cultural sites. More information on www.novavald.ee/index.php/1 The camp is located on Nova basic School's territory (www.nova.edu.ee)

Surroundings and camp's infrastructure

Schoolhouse

Sports hall

Table tennis

Wooden houses

Information centre

Refreshments stall with water coolers

Gym equipment for fitness exercises on school's territory

Football field

Basketball court on the school's territory

Volleyball court on the beach

4 lakes within 4 km from the camp side

2 sand beaches in the distance from 0,5-7 km

Forest Management Centre wooden tents with table and grill for picnic near the beach

Grocery store 0,5 km away

Hiking paths marked by Forest Department

Terminal and arrivals/ departure

Airport, bus station, harbor in Tallinn; **specialy arranged bus to Nova**. Although pick up on arrival to Tallinn is possible at additional fee, it is not really needed as the meeting point (sport club gym) is located just 1km from the airport <https://goo.gl/maps/VSCkMgtorvw> and can be easily reached by walking or by regular bus directly from the airport (3 short stops).

On arrival day there is an excursion in Tallinn, dinner, accommodation in Tallinn with lodging for the night at the gym of the sport club. Showers and WC are in the facility of the gym. On the next day there is a breakfast at 8 am and departure to camp site. On the last day of the camp there is a breakfast and departure at 11:30 am from the camp with the arrival to Tallinn airport by 13:30. If your departure is scheduled to an earlier hour a special transfer from the camp to the airport can be booked at additional fee. In case of earlier arrival or later departure accommodation in hostel can be booked upon request.

Special requirements

Participants have to be sporty (e.g. be ready to run up to 3 km, bike up to 30 km), independent enough, curious and interested in active life style.

Please inform us beforehand about allergies, dietary requirements you have or others prescriptions from your doctor. Please bring sleeping bag and mat, wind and waterproof clothes, goods shoes, warm and summer clothes. **It's advisable to take thermal underwear.** If possible, please take tick vaccination before coming. **Generally, age of participants is 14-18**, however exceptions are possible. **NB! Smoking, drinking alcohol, using drugs is absolutely prohibited in the camp and this policy will be followed strictly! Thus, if you cannot quit smoking for a while it is probably better not to come.** Camp common language is English. Local languages are Estonian and Russian.

Participation fee

Unlike the "normal" camp there will be not too much of work here. Nevertheless, participants will be provided with board, lodging, local transportation and all equipment necessary to realize camp program. Besides, program involves a lot of extra costs for excursions, trips out, visits, sport activities, equipment, materials and general administration and leadership. Since neither EstYES nor its local camp partner, does not receive financial support for this camp from municipality or private sources, to realize this camp we have to charge participation fee of **490 Euro, which covers all camp and program costs including transfer from Tallinn to and from the camp, and which has to be paid by bank transfer before the camp or by participants upon arrival to the camp.** The bank details will be provided after the acceptance of the participant to the camp.

NB! Participants coming from outside Europe are asked to consult with EstYES before paying fee by bank transfer to reduce high banking charges.

	General Program
1 day	<p>Arrival to Tallinn. Meeting point at address: Pae 1, Pae Spordikompleks</p> <p>Sightseeing in Tallinn at 17.00 (Participants who arrive after this time on the meeting point may not be able to take part in excursion), dinner, accommodation in Tallinn - lodging for the night and placement at the gym.</p>
2 day	<p>8.00-Breakfast</p> <p>08.30 Departure to Nova camp</p> <p>11.00 arrival to Nova camp</p> <p>11.00-11.45 accommodation and assembly</p> <p>12.00-14.00 sports competitions</p> <p>14.00-15.00 lunch</p> <p>15.30-19.00 sports and social activities</p> <p>19.00-20.00 dinner</p> <p>20.15-22.00 leader's time - play to explore</p> <p>22.00-23.00 free time</p> <p>23.00 time to sleep</p>
3 day-11 day	<p>07.30 waking up</p> <p>08.00–8.30 gymnastics on the seaside</p> <p>09.00–10.00 breakfast</p> <p>10.00–10.10 assembly</p> <p>10.10–11.00 free time (table tennis, badminton, athletics, archery, darts, fishing, etc. by wish)</p> <p>11.00–13.00 trainings (volleyball, rugby, paintball, sports competitions, football, basketball, orienteering, bicycle trip, eco-hiking, swimming on the beach - one of those every day)</p> <p>13.00–14.00 free time (table tennis, badminton, athletics, fishing, etc. according to wish)</p> <p>14.00–15.00 lunch</p> <p>15.30–19.00 sports and social activities (going with canoe, visiting the horse farm and riding, swimming on the beach, visit the museum of nature and ethnography, volunteer's work, lessons of labor-netting bands, making brooches and amulets of wood, wood- and leather-working, decoupage, soap-making), going with ATV, etc.</p> <p>19.00–20.00 dinner</p> <p>20.15–22.00 group activities time: funny competitions, amusements, games, sauna, bonfire, etc.</p> <p>22.00–23.00 free time</p> <p>23.00 time to sleep</p>
12 day	<p>breakfast</p> <p>11.30 transfer from Nova to Tallinn</p> <p>13:30 arrival to Tallinn airport and further transfer to bus station</p>

EST TDT11	TEEN DOWN TOWN 11	TALLINN	24.06 – 30.06	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT12	TEEN DOWN TOWN 12	TALLINN	30.06 – 06.07	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT13	TEEN DOWN TOWN 13	TALLINN	21.07 – 28.07	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT14	TEEN DOWN TOWN 14	TALLINN	28.07 – 03.08	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT15	TEEN DOWN TOWN 15	TALLINN	04.08 – 11.08	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT16	TEEN DOWN TOWN 16	TALLINN	11.08 – 17.08	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT21	TEEN DOWN TOWN 21	TALLINN	12.06 – 22.06	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT22	TEEN DOWN TOWN 22	TALLINN	24.06 – 06.07	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT23	TEEN DOWN TOWN 23	TALLINN	21.07 – 03.08	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc
EST TDT24	TEEN DOWN TOWN 24	TALLINN	04.08 – 17.08	TEEN/ STUDY	12 int + 10 loc

Project

International language camp is organized for teenagers by The Language School “In Down-Town” and the non-profit educational association “Alternative Language Programs Satellite” (ALP S) as part of their annual activities on multicultural issues for youth. The project’s aim is to introduce the diversity of world cultures to the youth and provide them with good practices in intercultural communication by means of alternative English language practice which includes meetings, visits and direct contacts to young people from abroad. The project gets teens of 14 to 16 years old familiar with national traditions of the countries from all over the world, encourages them to develop their global thinking and individual initiative, tolerance and resistance to xenophobia and ethnic hatred. Camps give foreign participants a great chance to meet youngsters both from Estonia and other countries as well as to experience local life. This summer we offer you to participate in our new project called “MATRIX”. Camp participants will learn about different meanings of this word. Together, we will identify the ways how to improve the matrix of the modern world, how to become a better version of ourselves and how to develop our emotional intelligence. Camp participants will acquire life skills that they will need to create their own codes for personal matrices that will have power to change their life for the better. They are the smart matrices of our personalities, souls, love and success, well-being and happy life. Meetings with local and/or international professionals in the field will take place. Thematic photo and video contests for camp participants will be organized.

Program

Camp program includes team projects, discussions at the round table, social and sport games, performances in the open air, actions for peace and nature protection, meetings with people, visits to museums and sightseeing as well as presentations of the countries that camp participants and volunteers represent, etc. Every day the camp will have a country presentation, a subject to learn or discuss and a related activity. Teenagers will stay in the camp activities zone from 10:00 to 17:00. There will be one day off in the camp and at least one day of travel outside Tallinn. The day off is spent either under the leadership of a member of the school staff or in the host family. Camp activities will take place in the premises of the language school that is situated in the very centre of the city. To activate teenagers and run the program, there will be a group of international volunteers and members of the local school staff.

Special features of this summer:

- 1) All camp shifts with arrivals on 12/06/24, 24/06/24, 21/07/24 and 04/08/24 include one trip outside Tallinn.
- 2) Participants are welcome to extend their stay for one or two weeks within the camp dates.

Accommodation

There are 2 options possible (which is subject to availability):

1) In the premises of The Language School “In Down-Town” located on the 4th and 5th floors of a business building in the city centre. In summer time, a part of the school is reserved for the camp participants’ accommodation that includes several separate dormitory bedrooms, fully equipped kitchen, a dining area, a large shower area and two separate toilet cabins. Apart from bedrooms, the tea-room for rest will be also organized where teenagers might watch films, read and play board games enjoying soft sofas. Bed linen, pillows and blankets will be provided, so you do NOT need to bring a sleeping bag unless you want so. For the reasons of security, minimum one school staff member and one volunteer will be staying with camp participants overnights to maintain life, catering and general order on the site. To facilitate a smooth and safe environment at school during the off-hours, the main entrance to the school must be kept closed at all times. The access to the school and accommodation areas will be managed by long-term volunteers or school staff. Please be aware that you must be inside by 22:00 the latest unless supervised outside by a school staff member. Participants will have breakfasts and dinners at school, lunches – together with other camp participants.

2) In the host families of some of 10+ local participants who will join this camp. The apartments of the host families may be located in Tallinn or its suburbs. Participants will stay in a separate or shared room. You do NOT need a sleeping bag. Participants will have breakfasts and dinners in their host families, lunches – together with other camp participants in the city. Travel cards will be provided, pick up service at arrival is provided upon request.

NB! it is not possible to stay at any of the camp accommodation options before or after the camp arrival and departure days. If you need a place to stay before or after the camp dates, we can help you to book a hostel in Tallinn.

Arrival

The camp participant is expected to arrive to the camp location **any Sunday** within the camp dates, prior to the camp starting on Monday.

To assure a safe environment for all the campers, we expect all our camp participants will provide their parents' letter of consent (**Parental Authorization**) and **travel insurance** certificate.

IMPORTANT: Unless there are any special anti-COVID measures for minors announced by the Estonian Government on the date of your arrival, no medical or green-pass certificates are required. Before travelling please do check information on the website <https://www.kriis.ee/en/covid-crisis-management-qa/crisis-management/levels-risk> or <https://reopen.europa.eu> or <https://kriis.ee/en/travelling-crossing-state-border/travelling-estonia/travelling-estonia>

Location

Tallinn is the capital of Estonia, country's largest city with 450 000 inhabitants and nearly as many tourists during summer. You can get a lot of information on Tallinn on www.visittallinn.ee/eng

Terminal

Airport, bus station, harbor in Tallinn. Pick up arranged by the school staff or families at the point of arrival is possible upon parents' requests.

Special requirements

The age of international camp participants is 14 – 16. English is the camp language. Please be aware that during the day program of the camp the participants will be asked to leave their cell phones at their accommodation site to ensure safety of the participants and their engagement with the camp activities.

We will welcome any ideas to improve the program and your active participation in it.

Leisure time

There are a lot of possibilities for leisure time activities since camp will take place in the Estonian capital Tallinn where one can find attractions for any taste: sightseeing, museums, festivals, concerts, etc.

Participation fee

Unlike the traditional voluntary camp, there will be mostly informal educational activities and guided language practice. Camp program implementation involves costs for boarding and lodging, domestic transport, materials, excursions, visits, cultural activities and general administration. Since neither EstYES, nor its partner ALPS receives any financial support for this camp from state or municipality, to make the camp happen we have to charge **a participation fee from 320 to 590 Euro depending on the duration of the camp shift**. This is a hosting fee that is different from your country sending organization's fee you pay at home. **It has to be paid by participants upon arrival to the camp or by bank transfer prior to the start of the camp**. If you cannot make it, please contact your sending organization for a solution. **NB! Participants coming from outside Europe** are asked to consult with EstYES before paying fee by bank transfer to reduce high banking charges.

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Project

Hiiumaa, according to the Nordic sagas, emerged from the Baltic Sea as a small islet more than 10 000 years ago. The island of Hiiumaa was first mentioned in historical documents as a deserted island called Dageida in 1228. The first inhabitants settled down at the end of the 13th century. Nowadays, Hiiumaa is the second biggest island of Estonia with an area of 965 sq. km and a population of around 9 000. It has many historical and nature sights, and there are kind people known for their hospitality and good sense of humor. The island is referred to as a remote area of Europe, and EstYES feels particularly proud developing international voluntary projects for over twenty years there. EstYES has been cooperating with eco-farms all over Estonia for solidarity and practical support to local people who work in the agricultural sector keeping traditional lifestyle and developing new eco-farming despite all difficulties. Alliksaare Farm on Hiiumaa Island is one of such projects. This is an organic farm promoting sustainable lifestyle, and this camp is proposed for volunteers who appreciate and share its values, want to learn more about it and to help hard working people. **Alliksaare Farm breeds an endangered breed of horses called Estonian Native horses.** Alliksaare Farm also has an important task taking care of coastal meadows which are international birds' migration area under protection of NATURA Program. Video of past camp <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QEAc2Sch6f8>

Work

Alliksaare Farm's main direction is horse breeding. At the moment there are around 150 horses on the farm. The work is diverse: it is to take care and maintain the pastures located by the sea - clearing around the pastures, building or removing fences, repairing fences, cleaning the stable. Another work is cleaning the coast nearby the farm from rubbish brought by storms. There can be some work for preparing food for horses for a winter time. **But the most important work is with horses directly** - taking care of them and to train horses. We have horses of any age, but mostly young horses, so depending on your experience and willingness to learn, it is possible to learn how to take care and train horses of all ages. For example socializing and training foals, halter train yearlings and saddle and/or carriage train young horses. The work will be mainly outdoors. Working time is 6-7 hours a day. Work will be done under some supervision and guidance of the local host but also **quite a lot independently.**

Accommodation

The accommodation conditions are very simple - in caravans, however beds are provided. Please bring your sleeping bag. Toilets and showers are available on site. There is a kitchen with all necessary equipment for cooking. Ingredients for food will be provided, but you need to cook by yourselves. We ask you to keep the living and common areas clean (washing dishes, cleaning the floors, etc).

Location

Alliksaare farm is located in Nurste Kula, Emmaste parish, Hiiumaa island. Hiiumaa is situated in the western part of Estonia, 130km from Tallinn. More information available on the following websites: www.emmaste.ee, www.hiiumaa.ee, www.visitestonia.com

Terminal

Airport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn. From Tallinn airport plane to Hiiumaa leaves twice a day <https://eestilennud.ee>. Or you get there by bus. For this take bus nr 2 or 15 going to the city centre. Buses stop at Tallinn Bus Station (Bussijaam). From there buses go to Hiiumaa two times per day taking you straight there (including ferry transportation from the mainland). Timetables are available online at www.tpilet.ee (bus from Tallinn to Hiiumaa), <https://transport.tallinn.ee/> (transport in Tallinn).

Special requirements

You have to be open-minded and ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the common life in Estonian countryside. Be ready for independent work staying without permanent supervision. Please consider that the work is mainly farm work which can be hard at some time. **It is great if you have experience with horses.** It is helpful if you have some technical skills: repair machines, building, use chainsaws, etc. Driving license is an advantage. **Smoking and drinking alcohol are not permitted on the farm.**

Leisure time

There are a lot of natural picturesque sights on the island as well as good possibilities for swimming in the sea or hiking in the forest. It is planned to visit other parts of Hiiumaa Island on the week-end. Hiiumaa offers a lot of various cultural events in summer time and you will have the possibility to join them. In spring and autumn you can enjoy birds watching as their migration route goes over island. This camp is perfect for people who enjoy being close to the nature and are interested in traditional way of rural living.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute a single fee of **150 Euro** towards the costs of general administration. Fee does not depend on the duration of your stay. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp to the bank account.** If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

Helping local organic farmers on the romantic island of Hiiumaa !

Project

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Work

Lepaniidi Farm has currently about 150 sheep for producing meat and wool, over 40 goats, 20 of whom are for milk and goat cheese production. Volunteers will be helping grazing, feeding, milking the goats, processing the milk, but also picking berries and vegetables. So, in the mornings there will be goats milking, at days - picking the berries and fruits (strawberries, raspberries and blackcurrant) and making a jam/juice or there will be work in vegetable garden, removing weeds, picking vegetables, etc. During the autumn shift volunteers will be mainly picking up and sorting vegetables (potatoes, carrots, beetroots), milking goats and making cheese. Participants will have a great chance to get familiar with various farm jobs and even to learn how to make goat cheese! Inside of the house it would be grat to give some hand too etc. cooking and cleaning around. The working day will be 6-7 hours, 5-6 days a week (NB: milking is every day). Work will be supervised by local hosts with whom volunteers will stay sharing work and leisure as a family.

Accommodation

The accommodation conditions at the farm will be simple - in old sauna house or caravan, however on beds. Please bring your sleeping bag. Toilets and showers are available in the main house; there is also traditional Estonian sauna in the farm. There is a kitchen with necessary equipment for cooking, which volunteers may use freely – just like at home. Usually volunteers will have breakfasts and lunch together with farmers cooked and served by the hosts, but you always can help with cooking. Dinners will be prepared by volunteers.

Location

Hiiumaa Island, Kaina parish, Ristivalja village, Lepaniidi farm. Hiiumaa Island is in the west of Estonia, 140 km from Tallinn. More information on www.hiiumaa.ee or www.visitestonia.com

Terminal

Airport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn. From the airport bus nr 2 and tram nr 4 going to the city centre stops by the Tallinn Bus Station. From there two times per day buses take you straight to Hiiumaa (including ferry transportation from the mainland). Timetables are available online at www.tpilet.ee

Special requirements

Motivation letter is required. You have to be ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the common life in the country side of Estonia and be willing to do farm work, which can be hard sometimes. Not suitable for lactose allergic participants since host offers a lot of dairy products. The host eats a lot of meat products too, but volunteers can always cook for themselves. **Smoking and drinking alcohol is not allowed in this camp.**

NB! It is possible to adapt dates of the project to availability of volunteer, however the minimum stay is one month.

Leisure time

There are lot of natural picturesque sights in the area. Sea coast is 7km away and there is a possibility to take the bicycles to go swimming. It is possible to visit other parts of Hiiumaa Island on weekend. Hiiumaa offers a lot of events on weekends in summer. Hosts plan to arrange some tours around the island. This camp is absolutely suitable for people who enjoy nature and interested in traditional ways of rural living.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **120 Euros** regardless the duration of stay towards the costs of the general administration. **This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the stay.** If you cannot do it contact your sending organization for a solution

Project

This project is organized for local children by The Language School “In Down-Town” and the non-profit educational association “Alternative Language Programs Satellite” (ALPS) as part of their annual activities on multicultural issues for youth. Some international teenage participants will join it too. The common project’s aim is to introduce the diversity of world cultures to children and provide them with good practices in intercultural communication using the learning-by-doing method and organizing alternative English language practice. The project gets youngsters familiar with customs and traditions of the countries from all over the world and encourages them to develop their cross-cultural thinking and tolerance as well as global thinking and individual initiative. This summer we offer you to participate in our new project called “MATRIX”. Camp participants will learn about different meanings of this word. Together, we will identify the ways how to improve the matrix of the modern world, how to become a better version of ourselves and how to develop our emotional intelligence. Camp participants will acquire life skills that they will need to create their own codes for personal matrices that will have power to change their life for the better. They are the smart matrices of our personalities, souls, love and success, well-being and happy life. Meetings with local and/or international professionals in the field will take place. Thematic photo and video contests for camp participants will be organized.

Work

All summer camps are held under one common theme, though every camp has its own focus within which everyday activities for youngsters are organized. Each day of the camp program has a special topic to be discussed and a related activity to work out the outcome. There is also a creative and interactive presentation of a country-participant every day to introduce general and interesting facts about the country as well as cultural customs and national traditions to schoolchildren. The standard number of days in a shift is 10 plus 1 optional Saturday, and there is a special agenda on the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th and 10th camp days (camp introductory and final events, the mid-camp event, the day outside Tallinn). Every camp is thoroughly documented. The related activities suitable to support topic discussions and country presentations are as follows: various intellectual and sport games for youngsters, creative team projects like posters and sculptures or board-games, pieces of amateur drama or other types of performances, excursions and workshops, playing the games and music popular in the countries the volunteers represent, teaching their songs or folk dances, etc.

There are 4 camp shifts during this summer project, 10-11 days length with an opportunity for kids/teens to join every Monday. Every shift has an option for different ages from 10 to 16 years old. All of them are day camps that are held in Tallinn. The working language is English. A number of volunteers working with schoolchildren in one camp may vary from 2 to 8 (both long-term volunteers for the whole summer and short-term volunteers who may join for 2 or 4 weeks); they work in pairs with one of the camp groups of 10-12 teens and change the groups every 2-3 days. Based on the previous year, we expect a number of kids/teens participants in one camp shift as up to 40 split into 2-4 camp groups; the local participants are mainly youngsters from minority groups of Tallinn whose family’s languages include Russian.

Based on described above, the work and duties of the volunteer include the following: prepare and facilitate topic discussions and camp activities for smaller teams of youngsters as well as larger all-camp events, support and lead youngsters in their work on team projects; help the youngsters and other volunteers in their performances and country presentations; assist the program leader implementing camp activities and trainings for other volunteers; work on the documenting camp events and support the local staff in their work with an international team of volunteers – organizing folders with working materials, making on-line reports and advert, making analysis, compiling the camp albums and leaflets, providing feedback. Based on the shifts, other work will include taking turn in assisting with catering and taking care of other volunteers, staying on overnight securing the international teenagers who are accommodated at school and accommodation site access, managing their arrivals and departures as well as their access to the building after outside camp activities, etc. **The work can be quite hard, involving long working hours on some days, requiring high commitment and responsibility for the camp program.** Days off are shifted and given to every volunteer on different days (on Sundays, Saturdays or on weekdays). All volunteers are also subject to a 2-week break in the middle of July (in case a volunteer signs up to the whole period of the project). During the break volunteers will be provided with some pocket money and the same accommodation or will be offered another place to stay on the school’s expense; they may also travel leaving their luggage on the accommodation site.

During the first days of the project after arrival, volunteers will be given the training and some time to prepare themselves to carry out their tasks in the camp.

Accommodation

There are 2 options possible (which are the subject to availability):

1) The premises of The Language School "In Down-Town" located on the 4th and 5th floors of a business building in the city centre. In summer time, a part of the school is reserved for the volunteers' accommodation that includes several separate dormitory bedrooms, equipped kitchen, a small dining area, a large shower area and two separate toilet cabins. Bed linen, pillows and blankets will be provided, so you do NOT need to bring a sleeping bag unless you want so. For the reasons of security, volunteers will be issued only one set of keys. To facilitate a smooth and safe environment at school during the off-hours, the entrance to the school must be kept closed at all times. The access to the school accommodation will be managed by long-term volunteers or school staff. Please be aware that between 01:00 a.m. and 09:00 a.m. the access to the building will be closed. You will need to organize your own overnight stay if you wish to spend time in the city between the aforesaid hours. Catering will be organized by the school on an agreement with the volunteers (selection of times, meals - provided or volunteers cook, etc.)

2) A furnished shared apartment in the residential area of Tallinn. The apartment has three-four dormitory bedrooms and all necessary facilities, and it takes about 20 minutes to get to the city center by public transport. Public transport cards will be provided. Volunteers will cook their breakfast meals themselves (food for a standard European breakfast will be provided); dinner meals will be served at school between 18:00 and 19:00; lunches will be organized for the whole camp (including kids/teens) in the city centre.

Location

All camps take place in Tallinn, the capital of Estonia. More information on www.visittallinn.ee/eng

Special requirements

You have to be **really motivated** to work with kids. **Please provide a letter of your motivation** along with the application form. An experience of working with children is an advantage. Your ideas and actual preparation to do the activities for kids are essential, so accepted volunteer will be required to meet the team online to discuss and complete some preliminary preparation. We ask you to bring some materials: postcards, posters, symbols of your country, music or popular national games etc., which can be used during your country presentation. We expect active volunteers with a good knowledge of history and culture of their country able and willing to present it to others in a creative way. **B2 level of English is required. The age of volunteers is from 20 to 30.** Please note that before making a final decision about your participation in the camp, the project coordinator will have a **video interview** with you.

Due to volunteers work with minors we expect them to provide a **criminal clearance** and a **doctor's check certificate** including tuberculosis clearance. Please make sure that you have a **travel insurance** certificate as well

IMPORTANT:

1. There is the school's safety policy that every volunteer agrees to follow and support during the work camp, which includes instructions on access and entrance keys to the camp site, use of facilities and accommodation space, behaviour and procedures in cases of emergency.

2. Unless there are any special anti-COVID measures for minors announced by the Estonian Government on the date of your arrival, no medical or green-pass certificates are required. Before travelling please check information on the website <https://www.kriis.ee/en/covid-crisis-management-qa/crisis-management/levels-risk> or <https://reopen.europa.eu> or <https://kriis.ee/en/travelling-crossing-state-border/travelling-estonia/travelling-estonia>

Leisure time

There are a lot of possibilities for leisure time activities as the camp takes place in the capital where one can find attractions for all tastes: sightseeing and museums, festivals, concerts, live music, pubs, etc. The camp provides an excellent opportunity to establish contacts with young Estonians and to experience the local life.

Participation fee

We ask participants to contribute **100 Euro** towards the costs of general administration. This **fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp to the bank account.** If you cannot make it, please contact your sending organization for a solution.