



# PROGRAM

# GLOBAL YOUTH VOLUNTEERS FORUM

October 15-17, 2018 | Augsburg, Germany

# WELCOME! WILLKOMMEN!

Welcome to the 2018 Global Youth Volunteers Forum, an event that aims to renew the youth volunteering vision, acknowledging its role as a key factor for development, as well as the exercise of a responsible and active citizenship.

Every day, tens of millions of young people throughout the world prove that one is never too young to volunteer...

- ...children are introduced to volunteering by their families, schools or religions and emerge as volunteer entrepreneurs, creating their own service programs and joining advocacy and social change movements...
- ...teens find in their volunteering new ways to respond to issues that concern them and to build skills, confidence and experience that will help them enter the paid workforce...
- ...young adults recognize volunteering can help them explore new possibilities, build social connections and assume new responsibilities in their communities.

The International Association for Volunteer Effort (IAVE) strongly believes in the power of volunteering in the development of youth. In this sense, the 2018 Global Youth Volunteers Forum, developed with our local partner Freiwilligen-Zentrum Augsburg gGmbh (Augsburg Volunteer Center), is meant to be an opportunity for young people committed to promoting volunteering at the local and international scale, to connect and explore present and future projects and initiatives.

We are pleased to welcome youth volunteers from all over the world to Augsburg! We hope you will enjoy the diversity, commitment to citizenship and sustainability, and the impressive Bavarian and Swabian traditions and innovations that this beautiful city has to offer.



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# Monday, October 15

12:30 - 18:30 Registration & Check-in for Global Youth Volunteers Forum

Youth Hostel Augsburg

18:30 - 21:00 **Opening Ceremony** 

Lord Mayor Dr. Kurt Gribl, City of Augsburg

Golden Hall -Augsburg Town Hall Kylee Bates, IAVE World President

• Wolfgang Krell, Executive Director, Volunteer Center Augsburg

# **Featured Speaker**

Agnetta Nyalita, IAVE, Kenya
Transformative Nature of Volunteering to Personal and Career Life:
My 10-year Journey with IAVE

# **Musical Performances**

- Die Schein-Eiligen, Bavarian trio brass band
- Ala Cya, singer-songwriter



# **Tuesday, October 16**

# 8:00 - 9:00 Registration & Check-in for Global Youth Volunteers Forum

University for Applied Sciences Augsburg Foyer Alte Mensa

9:00 - 10:15 Plenary Session

University for Applied Featured Speaker Sciences Augsburg Alte Mensa

Austin Pinkerton, Medtronic Bakken, South Africa

Leveraging youth through volunteering to build sustainable states

10:15 - 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 - 12:00 Breakout Sessions

University for Applied Breakout 1.1 Sciences Augsburg Various lecture rooms

# **Empowering Youth Leaders through Creativity and Innovation**

Brij Bali, Emirates Foundation (Canada)

(Volunteers available to provide assistance)

Empowering youth leaders who apply creativity and innovation in developing and leading their pioneer volunteer projects in a sustainable and impactful manner, requires a well-balanced training program together with passionate mentors to guide them in their development. This presentation and discussion will highlight the framework of a program developed and being implemented in the United Arab Emirates.

# **Breakout 1.2**

# Youth Ambassadors for UN-Rights of Children and SDG 2030

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Claudio Tedeschi, Feldkirch, Caritas Vorarlberg (Austria)

In 2012 the idea to start a youth participation group was born. The aim was to create public awareness on children's rights. The participants will invited to share their ideas and be guided and supported to turn them into reality. Youth participation is the future and it is about time that young people get involved in solving global problems and shaping their future by taking initiative. Implementing the musical project "Stand up! They are your rights too, and it's about what YOU do!", Caritas Voralberg created a partnership with youth ambassadors from Ethiopia, to start promoting youth engagement.

# **Breakout 1.3**

# **How to Start Your Own Association**

Eugen Baldas (Germany), Ole Madsen (Denmark), Viacheslav Ivanov (Russia), European Volunteering Center

Think about creating your own association! If there is a challenge or a problem in your environment you want to solve, you may attempt to do tackle it alone. But sometimes, it is more effective to volunteer with friends and find a solutino as a group. To do this, it is important to know how to motivate and to find followers. Active individuals can come together to form informal or formal groups, recognized by public law. We discuss examples in Germany and Russia with remarks concerning Switzerland and Denmark. If participants have their own ideas and issues, we invite them to share and brainstorm with others within the session.



## Breakout 1.4

# Harnessing the Potentials of Youth through Volunteering to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals SDG 2030

# Archibald Donko, Youth Volunteers Without Frontiers (Ghana)

There is low-level of volunteering spirit in young people, even though there are indications of volunteering potentials in them that could be harnessed. Due to the fact that youth volunteering is central in realizing the Sustainable Development Goals, Archibald Donko started an organization called Youth Volunteers Without Frontiers to promote volunteering amongst youth. Through volunteers we have implemented projects which have benefited inner-city youth, persons with disabilities and needy mothers. Our story was the first to be featured on UNV's Rio +20 campaign website.

## **Breakout 1.5**

# Discussion Group for Youth Declaration for the 25th IAVE World Volunteer Conference

# Janis Fifka, European Youth Parliament (Germany)

An experienced moderator at the European Youth Parliament, Janis will be discuss with participants the Youth Declaration that will be announced during the opening plenary session at the 25th IAVE World Volunteer Conference. This will be an opportunity to share with participants from all over the world about why the next generation is committed to our world's sustainable development.

# **Breakout 1.6**

# 2018 - Scotland's Year of Young People

# Kyle Brownley, Hannah Birse and Erin Old, Scotland's Year of Young People (UK)

This year is a catalyst for young volunteers engaging in their civic responsibility in Scotland to make a positive change in their communities. Participants will and gain an understanding of how we have used the Scottish Government's themed year as a mechanism for engaging young people in volunteering and find out about different techniques to involve and engage the most vulnerable young people, including care experienced young people, gypsy travelers, young people with disabilities and additional support needs, and the LGBT community.

# **Breakout 1.7**

# Upcoming Industry 4.0 and Participation of Disabled People by Using Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR)

Se Hyun Um & Hyung Im Lee (South Korea)

The concept of using VR and AR was born from the fact that humans are now facing the 4th industrial revolution. Within that lies Artificial Intelligence, drones, VR and AR. We will share our findings from our efforts to utilize VR and AR to help the disabled participate in volunteer work, hoping they will be more active in life by using the skills and technology developed by the fourth industrial revolution.

# **Breakout 1.8**

# **Social and Corporate Citizenship**

# Prof. Nik Klever, University for Applied Sciences Augsburg (Germany)

The University of Applied Science has a robust program for the promotion of student volunteering. In the workshop, Prof. Nik Klever presents the vision and mission of the University and how volunteering is recognized and supported. Different student volunteering projects will be presented.



## 12:00 - 13:30 Lunch

# 13:30 - 15:00 Breakout Sessions

University for Applied Breakout 2.1 Sciences Augsburg Various lecture rooms

# Inner and Outer Sustainability (SDG, CSR and Self-Care)

Christine Pehl, (Germany)

(Volunteers available to provide assistance)

Nowadays, more and more companies and organizations have Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Corporate Citizenship departments. While some focus on Corporate Volunteering, others decide to set up foundations and/or become Social Entrepreneurs. Overall, this shows that younger generations want to be engaged with meaningful projects. Considering this, the Christine Pehl will address some key questions regarding sustainability: Why are sustainability and CSR mega trends? What are the economic, science, policy and social consequences? She will also address issues regarding the individual volunteer themselves: How can I take care of myself as an engaged person and volunteer without burning out? Which options exist to stay in balance? Which values are important for individuals and how can we each live by these values?

# **Breakout 2.2**

# An Alliance for Achieving the SDG 2030 through Youth Volunteering

Mapy Villalobos, Ollin, Jóvenes en Movimiento, A.C. (Mexico)

Mapy Villalobos will present on an alliance of 11 civil society organizations that was created with the aim of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals through youth volunteering. The alliance has been given the task of training young volunteers through camps in order to provide them with the knowledge and tools necessary for become changemakers in their communities. It is important that young volunteers know that the issue of citizenship and the role they play is of the utmost importance to build a better country.

# **Breakout 2.3**

# Volunteering of Young Citizens: a Core Topic for the Future of Local Commu**nities** (in German with translation in English)

Winfried Pletzer, Bay. Jugendring, Munich (Germany)

Winfried Pletzer works for the Bavarian umbrella organization for youth work, representing various types of youth associations. In this session, he will present the importance of youth engagement for the development of local communities, prompting a discussion with participants about the way in which young people can change their communities in their countries.

# **Breakout 2.4**

# Music Workshop: Song for the 25th IAVE World Volunteer Conference

Daniel Pain, Singer-Songwriter (Germany)

Daniel is a singer-songwriter from Augsburg who created a song for the World Volunteer Conference. In this workshop he aims to create and rehearse a completely new version of this song together with participants!

# **Breakout 2.5**

# **Volunteer Skill Sets - Examples of Russian Volunteer Programs**

Viacheslav Ivanov and Diana Dialalova (Russia)

We will talk about the main skills and qualities that volunteers can benefit from. Modeling the workshop used with volunteers during a major sporting event in Russia, participants will be invited to answer the following questions: How can we be the heart and soul of the events we volunteer in? How can we use our professional skills to volunteer? How can we learn new skills while volunteering? How to we become effective team players while we volunteer?



# **Breakout 2.6**

# Improving Leadership through Volunteer Work

Changho Lee, Jikyoung Kim and Yerin Lee (South Korea)

Since 2009, the Seoul Volunteer Center has been running a youth volunteer project called Dong Haeng-Project ("Walk together and Happiness of younger brothers and sisters") a very effective volunteer program for university students that develops young leaders with volunteer experiences. In the workshop we will present the educational volunteer work system and some meaningful outcomes and examples of our members.

# **Breakout 2.7**

# Volunteers Strengthening Quality in Cross-Border Volunteering – Ecuador and Germany

Friederike Meschenmoser (Germany), Doménica Spooner (Germany), Cristina Clavijo (Ecuador), Javier Ramirez (Ecuador), Eugen Baldas (Germany), BESO e.V.

There has been a tradition in Europe for many years, especially in Germany, to give young people the opportunity to spend one year to volunteer full-time inside and outside the country. The association "Come together and act on solidarity" (BeSo e.V.) was founded by ex-volunteers from Ecuador and Germany in 2003. It organizes full-time volunteer service projects in Ecuador for young people from Germany and vice-versa. This cross-border volunteering, networked by volunteers and former volunteers in both countries, strengthens the quality of the volunteering projects. This breakout sessions gives an inside view in preparing, organizing and realizing this full-time volunteer programs. Former volunteers will explain their experience during their gap year. With technology, we are able to coordinate and to connect with other other groups, associations and persons in Germany and Ecuador.

## **Breakout 2.8**

# The Privilege of Volunteering: Understanding the Barriers to Being an Active Citizen

Beth Meadows, Carolyne Kamau and Shahema Miah, VSO International (Ireland)

Volunteering is a privilege and every young person should be able to access this opportunity. The workshop will be focused on understanding what the youth aspirations today to become active citizens are and what enables young people to become active citizens. We will explore the barriers to youth volunteering and how to overcome them on a personal and organizational level.

# 15:00 - 15:30 Coffee Break

# 15:30 - 17:00 Plenary Session

Sciences Auasbura Alte Mensa

# University for Applied Discussion of Youth Declaration for 25th IAVE World Volunteer Conference

Moderator: Alexander Thamm, ARD Alpha, Germany

# **Featured Speaker**

Sam Johnson, IAVE, New Zealand The Creative Power of Service

# 17:00 – 22:00 Youth Party: Dinner and Mocktails

University for Applied **Performances** Sciences Augsburg Alte Mensa

- Kilian Hein, magician
- John-Garner, band
- Daniel Pain, singer-songwriter



# Wednesday, October 17

# 9:00 - 11:30 Group Discussions with Local Youth Organizations and **Youth Volunteer Projects**

Meet at Youth Hostel

# Augsburg Media Scouts: St. Anna Secondary School

# Young volunteers deliver trainings on developing media skills

Transportation will be provided to various local organizations

The media scouts of the St. Anna college are students, grades 8-12, who received a comprehensive training in the range of new media. Based on their qualification, the media scouts can act as speakers and can advise their schoolmates regarding the subject media.

# **Greenpeace Augsburg**

# Greenpeace visits schools

Greenpeace is an international environmental organization that fights with non-violent action for the protection of the natural resources and justice for all living beings. The discussion deals with Greenpeace's activities and opportunities, with focus on the work in schools and youth groups. The aim is to evaluate existing formats and collect new ideas.

# "Tür an Tür"/"Next door"

# Integration project with Tür an Tür

"Next door" intends to improve the living conditions and the integration of refugees, immigrants and foreigners. This project is also meant for people with low income and aims for strengthening the social integration of these people and to expand their possibilities to act and speak for themselves. The project is also intended to increase the community's acceptance and willingness of integration by presenting projects and informing them about the refugee situation.

# Jugendhaus Lehmbau

# Voluntary Ecological Year (FÖJ) Full-time Volunteer Service

The Lehmbau Children's and Youth Center has been a recreational and educational space for hundreds of children and youth. It's a safe place to develop their social skills. It is located close to the city center while also incorporating nature with farming livestock. The community strengthens a sense of responsibility and respect in young people.

# **Volunteer Center and Youth Circle Augsburg (Stadtbücherei)**

# "Change In": Youth volunteer project for schools in Augsburg

8th grade 15-year-old students of 30 schools of all different types in Augsburg are voluntarily active in different projects twice a year. There are more than 100 projects in institutions and facilities with regard to cultural, social, economic and sports issues where the students volunteer for approx. 40 hours, with the support of trained mentors.

# **Brücke Augsburg: HEROES**

# Volunteering against oppression in the name of honor and for equal rights

HEROES trains young men coming from so-called cultures of honor with regard to subjects such as gender equality, honor, violence, human rights and democracy. After a training period of about one year - the young men participate as volunteers - they visit schools as multipliers and spread their new experiences amongst other young boys and girls.

# **Brücke Augsburg: KRIPS Teen Court**

# Positive influence of young people by their peers for crime prevention

The project KRIPS (Student council for criminal education) is for young people between the ages of 14-17, who have received charges for light to moderate crimes. Three students discuss their experience with the student council, and how they work with with the accused persons to find suitable measures and sanctions. If the agreed measures are fulfilled, the public prosecutor's office expunges the charges.



# **Johanniter Augsburg: Future Paramedics**

# How to keep children motivated without overwhelming them

The Johanniter are a relief organization and the Johanniterorden is the Protestant sister organization of the Maltese. It sponsors various charitable institutions as well the Johanniter Foundation. Both volunteers and full-time employees are active for Johanniter Germany. During a tour of the Johanniter building, we will discuss how to integrate children and youth into the adult association.

# Caritas - CAB

# Café Samocca

Café SAMOCCA helps disabled people integrate with the workforce. Various new and creative areas of work are being developed for the disabled in the service sector. They provide vocational training, support and integration for people with disabilities. Employees work in various fields within the café, independently. CAB Disabled Persons Assistance will present their volunteer work, followed by a discussion.

# **Stadtwerke Augsburg**

# Coolrider – "Looking instead of looking away"

Young students 14 years old and older, are trained to control disruptive behavior of other youths, on their way to school, learning how to non-violently interfere and peace-make. These students receive a 20-hour training session which cover topics on communication and team-building, as well as recognition and assessment of critical situations, identifying limitations and searching for alternatives. The Coolrider project serves to improve the cooperation between students and the atmosphere in public transportation. The presentation will be done on a ride in a historical tram.

# Dekabristen e.V. - Berlin

# Sustainable tourism in the Great Baikal Trail

Dekabristen e.V. is an association in Berlin which stands up for the promotion of civil society and the networking of activists in the post-soviet region. We will focus on the "Baikal-Calling" volunteer camp, which aims to tackle the ecological threat of Lake Baikal in Siberia. We will discuss the role of volunteers together with sustainable tourism, using a case study on the Great Baikal Trail. The organization has been building a hiking trail around Lake Baikal over the past few years, in order to save the surrounding environment.

# 12:00 - 13:30

# **Discussion and Decision on the Youth Declaration**

Rokoko Hall (District Government of Svabia) Moderator: Alexander Thamm, u.a. ARD Alpha, Germany

# **Closing Remarks**

- Mayor Eva Weber, Augsburg
- Kylee Bates, IAVE World President
- Wolfgang Krell, Executive Director, Volunteer Center Augsburg

# Lunch

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