

全年計畫主題速寫

- NICE-20-0718A 參與德島天神祭表演準備以及清潔服務
- NICE-20-0721A 協助舉辦湖泊節 整頓森林及清除湖岸黏土魚
- NICE-20-0901A 協助舉辦湖泊節 整頓森林及清除湖岸黏土魚
- NICE-20-0721B 慶典環保站計畫 (清掃垃圾做分類、清理可重複利用的杯子)
- NICE-20-0920A 環保竹林計畫 (修剪竹子收割農作 實施海洋環境教育與海洋生物調查)
- NICE-20-0728A 親子地震援助計畫 (維護社區空間、為當地家庭帶來國際交流活動)
- NICE-20-0730A 花海計畫 (收割包裝花、結合花卉與旅遊業)
- NICE-20-0801 阿蘇火山文化營隊計畫 (協助舉辦兒童營、夏季節日以及農業工作)
- NICE-20-0816 阿蘇火山文化營隊計畫 (協助舉辦兒童營、夏季節日以及農業工作)
- NICE-20-0813A 阿蘇火山文化營隊計畫 (協助舉辦兒童營、夏季節日以及農業工作)
- NICE-20-0803B 水燈節計畫 (與當地學生一起製作燈籠)
- NICE-20-0804E 傳統慶典遊船計畫 (為 Awa Odori 節準備與服務 清理河流與道路)
- NICE-20-0806A 蕎麥麵節慶計畫 (製作及販賣蕎麥麵、擔任祭典鼓手)
- NICE-20-0905A 教育兒童英語夏令營 (共同採收向日葵、釀葡萄酒)
- NICE-20-0909C 教育兒童英語夏令營 (共同採收向日葵、釀葡萄酒)

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Organized 422 workcamps/ hosted & sent 3,920 volunteers in 2019
(6,103 workcamps/ 81,513 volunteers in 30 years since 1990)

NICE Projects for 2020

(Projects starting in Apr.-Dec.)

※日本NICE計畫注意事項

今年參與日本NICE個人計畫有新的規定，計畫如有額外的**Participation fee**由志工自行於報到支付；MTV計畫額外費用由志工海外報到時自行支付（自今年起臺灣志工每月要負擔部分食宿費用**12,000**日幣，約**4,000**台幣）。

另外短期兩週內計畫，日本今年另收取**NICE volunteer fee** (6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee) 額外費用，此部分會由**VYA辦公室資助最高日幣6,000JPY**，超額部分，由臺灣志工海外報到時另支付，例如計畫的Participant fee假如收取日幣10,000JPY的NICE volunteer fee+addition fee，則超額部分計算方式為10,000JPY-6,000JPY（由VYA資助）=4,000JPY，4,000JPY即是臺灣志工到海外須要額外支付的食宿部分負擔。

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NICE (Never-ending International workCamps Exchange)

< Organizing various types of Workcamps & International Voluntary Service Projects >

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What is NICE!?

- * NGO/ NPO to organize workcamps and other voluntary service projects mainly in Japan
- * Founding Member of NVDA/ Member of CCIVS and ALLIANCE/ Partner of SCI
- * Enjoying to create a new global age by mentally young people!

1) Brief History;

NICE was founded on the **4th Feb. in 1990** by the 7 youth who had done the workcamps or other types of voluntary service programs abroad.
In Sep. 1990, the first international workcamp of NICE was held at the foot of the Mt. Fuji of Japan.
It has been developing rapidly and variously with huge needs projects & motivations of people!

2) Aims and Goals;

Achieve the Healthy & Colorful World!

We believe, **health can be a key, one of the most important values** toward the post-modern civilization. We mean not only physical health of human bodies, but **also mental, ecological, cultural, economic and communal health!**

Many people seem afraid that a low carbon society may bring us inconvenient, uncomfortable and unhappy life, but if we put more value on "health", it may not!



To **protect/ create a colorful world** is our another important goal. This means, **Diverse ecologies, cultures and personalities are harmoniously co-existed and glittered.** Potential of each actor can be more brought out with various standards!

1) Improve the social & environmental situation by direct actions!



2) Empower NPOs/ local communities and raise awareness & actions!

3) Promote global friendship/ cooperation and personal growth!



3) Activities; (see the page 4 for the way of categories)

To achieve the above aims, NICE mainly organizes the following activities;

1A) Organize Short Term (1 week-1 month of international **Workcamps** mainly in Japan

In 2019: **175 projects** in **25 countries** were organized with **1,562 full time volunteers.**

1B) Send volunteers from Japan to Short Term workcamps **all over the world**

In 2019: **988 vols.** were sent to **44 countries (336 excluding the co-organizing projects)**

2) Organize LMTV (over 1 month) projects mainly in Japan and **send vols. abroad**

In 2019: **55 projects** in Japan & Sri Lanka with **69 vols./ sent 130 vols. to 23 countries**

3) To organize Weekend (less than 1 week) **Workcamps** in Japan and send volunteers abroad

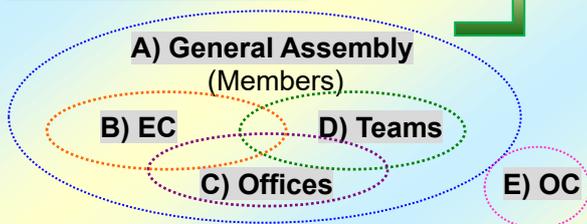
In 2019: **192 projects** (incl. 40 abroad!) in **8 countries** and **1,823 vols.** joined (incl. 198 abroad.)



4) Organize Group Workcamps (in 2019, **44 projects** in **10 countries**)

5) Many other ecological/ educational/ social actions such as Stop Climate Change and World Tanabata Action.

4) Structure;



Full members: 1,454 (2019 Nov. **60%: female**)

* Over **300** of them are quite actively involved.

Associate members: 20,509 + 3 organizations

A) GA is held once a year as the **supreme body** to approve Annual plans and reports, etc. 100 members joined in 2019 Dec.

B) EC (Executive Committee) is held 5 times a year. There are **15 EC members** for 2020.

C) 6 offices have **12 full time/ paid, 5 part time/ paid** and **20-30 part time/ voluntary** staff in 2020.

D) 23 registered teams organize activities (weekend workcamps, promotion, preparation of vols. etc.)

E) OC (Organizing Committee) of each regional office is held by the active members & partners.

5) Finance;

< Settlement of account in 2019 >

Income: 81,123,746 JPY		Expense: 87,488,175 JPY	
Membership fee	68%	Human resources	48%
Grants/sponsors	1%	Travelling	13%
Donation	1%	Projects/ Meetings	12%
Fund raising	29%	Donation, Mandate	7%
Others	0%	Others	19%

* Membership fee consists of Annual membership fee and project membership fee.

* Management A: Human resources for management (cost for staff, EC, GA, members activities, etc.)

Management B: Other management cost (cost for offices, communication, copy, etc.)

Project A: Cost directly spent for the volunteers (meals, accommodation, local transportation, etc.)

Project B: Other projects cost (tools, materials, transportation of the leaders, etc.)

* This shows only the finance managed by NICE office and there are much more contribution;

+ Local partners (meals & accommodations of vols., tools & materials for work: for Project 1A and 2)

+ Volunteers and members (Travel cost, etc.)

6) External Relations;

NICE has over **165 partner NGOs** in **90 countries** & **123 local project partner NGOs** in Japan!

We are **completely independent** from any political, religious, economic power. NICE is (2019 Nov.);

a) Main Founder of NVDA (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia) since 1997 (President for 15 years)

b) Member of CCIVS (Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service) since 1995 (EC in 1995-2016)

c) The first Asian member of ALLIANCE of European Voluntary Service Organizations since 1996

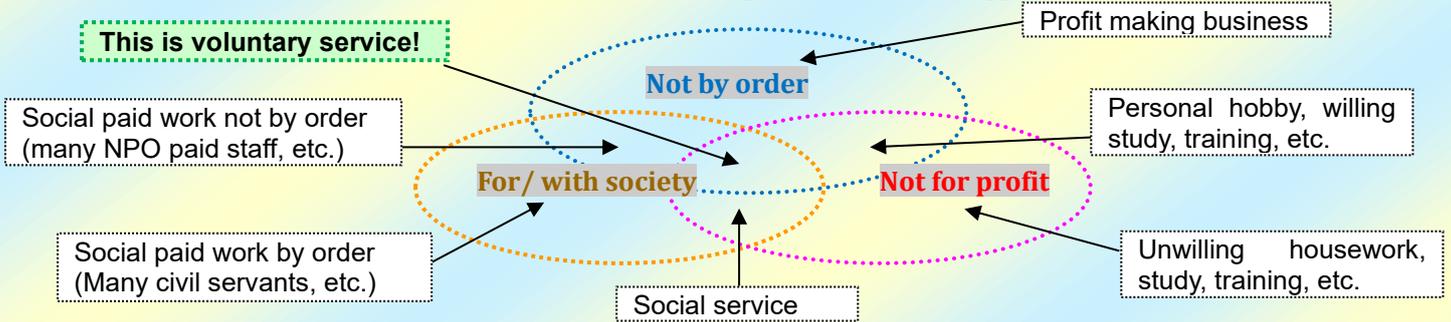
d) Partner Organization of SCI (Service Civil International) officially since 2010

We also cooperate with a lot of governments, NGO/ NPOs, media, foundations and people and are affiliated in some national networks of NGOs for advocacy, international cooperation, youth, etc.

Types and Definition of NICE Projects

< What is voluntary service? >

* Actions mentioned here are just examples and not always apply to the case.



< What are workcamps? - Category in Voluntary Service - >

	Group type	Individual type
Living there together	Workcamps!	
Going to/ from home		



* **Workcamp is a group living type of voluntary service project**

< Categories of (I)VS projects by length and sizes of groups >

Length	Number of vols.	Workcamp = group type (more than 2 vols.)		Individual type (1 or 2 vols.)	
Very Short Term (6 days or less)		VSTW	(all together) VSTV	VSTI	
Short Term (1 week-1 month)		STW	(all together) STV	STI	
Middle Term (1-6 months)		MTW	(together) LMTV	(together) LMTI	MTI
Long Term (over 6 months)		LTV	LMTW	LMTI	LMI

* As most of Very Short Term Workcamps are done in weekends, it is often called "**Weekend Workcamps**" (even for the ones organized on Mon.-Fri.). Some NGOs call them as "**Mini Workcamps**".

* LTV and MTV are usually called together (here as "LMTV" while some organizations call "MLTV").

* Most of IVS NGOs rarely organize/ exchange VSTI and STI while **many of LMTV are individual type (LMTI)**.

< Other ways of categories >

By Geographical scale (where the volunteers come from)



* Even if volunteers are from only 2-3 countries after all, if it was open globally, it can be still called "International".

* In the wide definition, Regional/ Trilateral/ Bilateral ones can be also called "International".

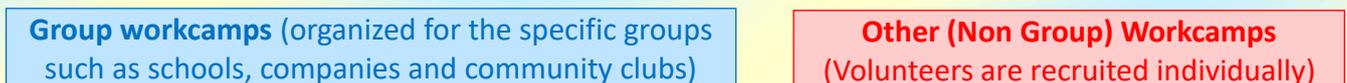
* As most of international workcamps are short term, when we just call "**international workcamps**", it usually means **STW** (unless specifically mentioned like "**long term (international) workcamps**").

By themes (agreed by GMIVS = Global Meeting of IVS networks)



* There are many ways to categorize differently in each organization and many projects are multi thematic.

By the ways of gathering volunteers



* Some organizations call above mentioned "Bilateral workcamps" as "Group workcamps".

More info. about International Workcamps!

International voluntary service projects where volunteers from all over the world live & work together with local people. Mostly for 2-3 weeks/ in Jul.-Sep. by 5-20 volunteers.

1) Brief History;

In **1920**, the first one started in **France** mainly by German and French youth as reconstructing the farms destroyed during the World War I. Since then, it has been spreading to all over the world. In the 60s, many workcamps with construction works were organized in newly independent countries as well as peace projects between East & West of Europe. Environmental ones have been increasing since 80s. According to our research, **5,111 IVS projects in 90 countries with 30,266 volunteers** were held in 2016.

2) Common Aims and Voluntary Works;

Although each WOs and workcamps have their own aims, the common aim is to achieve peaceful, healthy, just and sustainable world by

- a) Creating/ supporting voluntary movements for ecology, human rights, self-sufficiency, etc.**
- b) Activating and involving new people to local communities and NGO/NPOs**
- c) Promoting global understanding, friendship and solidarity**

Work is normally for 5-8 hours a day & 4-6 days a week. The types are varied (depend on the needs);

- a) Environment:** Cleaning rivers, planting trees, protecting animals, creating eco-villages, etc.
- b) Agriculture:** Picking fruits or seeding in organic farms, reviving uncultivated fields, etc.
- c) Construction :** schools, toilets, renovating castles, converting farms into youth centers, etc.
- d) Social work:** With/ for children, refugees, mentally/ physically disadvantaged, elders, etc.
- e) Arts/Education:** Organizing festivals, performing play against AIDS in schools, archaeology, etc.
- f) Others:** Making proposals of town planning, recycling & sending bicycles to India, etc.

3) Accommodations & Free time activities;

Usually **youth centers, public halls, schools** and sometimes tents or temples that are simple but even better for the group life! Volunteers often **cook by turns** and enjoy global tastes.

The common language is **English** in most of workcamps though you had better to try **local languages**.

In some workcamps, the hosts or volunteers organize discussions, excursions, and exchange parties with local people, school visit, sports programs, etc. It is very important to note that **workcamps should be made by all volunteers with local people**. Volunteers are not guests!

4) Workcamp Organizations (WOs);

WOs are international voluntary service **NGOs/NPOs** (Non-Governmental/ Non-Profit Organizations), most of which are affiliated in the international networks such as **CCIVS** (Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service) founded by **UNESCO**, **NVDA** (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia) and **ALLIANCE** of European Voluntary Service Organizations.

Some are specialized for the specific areas and each WO **independently & freely** organizes projects mainly **in their own countries** with local governments or NGO/NPOs and cooperates with other WOs abroad. They are **organized locally, coordinated nationally and exchanged internationally!**

5) Finance;

Many WOs are managed by the **inscription fee from volunteers** but some are supported also by the **governments, foundations**, etc. **Volunteers need to pay the travel cost** to/ from the projects and the fee to WOs in their own countries. **Meals & accommodations are normally provided** by local partners while there are participation fee of **100-300 USD in most of the projects of Africa, Asia and L. America**.

Project 1: Short Term Workcamps (Between 1 week and 1 month)

1-1) Introduction;

We welcome you to join our workcamps, **sharing happy time and creating fresh new age together!** All campsites have nice nature and warm people, so you will discover colorful and vigorous figures of Japan and others that is completely different from typical images you may have through media.

< **The common points** of all projects (unless differently mentioned in each description) >

a) Age limit	From 18 (No maximum) . In some projects, we can accept children with their families or also a bit younger volunteers (aged 16-17).
b) Language	English unless mentioned in the project description (but we also welcome you to try Japanese/ local languages!)
c) Insurance	We provide small insurance only for accidents during the projects IN JAPAN.
d) Accommodations	Mostly, there are showers, kitchens and toilets. Basic, but enjoyable enough.
e) Accessibility	There are some possibilities to welcome physically disadvantaged persons in some projects that will be considered with our local partners in each case.

1-2) How to apply and join the projects!?

Step 1: Send application: through the partners!!

Non-Japanese volunteers living outside Japan need to apply **through our partner NGOs** of their countries (if your country is in Asia-Pacific and has no such NGOs, then you need to apply through NVDA (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia). Only if you are Japanese or live in Japan for a year or more, you can apply to NICE directly. Ask in@nice1.gr.jp for more info., then we will send you the guidance (procedure, fee, etc.) and the form.

< How much should volunteers pay? (see also more detailed explanation on Page 122-124) >

6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.

- * There is also **additional fee** in some projects like children in the family workcamps, teenagers in the teenage workcamps, etc. that amount is mentioned in each project description.
- * This fee is for the projects organized by NICE **in Japan starting from 2020 Jul.**

Step 2: Phone/ skype Interview (ONLY for some workcamps)

If you apply for the workcamp which requires a **special point such as speaking GOOD Japanese, you will need have a skype interview with the NICE office.** The details will be arranged after receiving the applications.

Step 3: Acceptance

NICE will inform your sending NGO whether you can be accepted or not by e-mail (Acceptance Letter and NICE Volunteers' Guide will be also sent if you are accepted), usually in **3-5 days**.

Step4: Book the flights as soon as being accepted and do other preparation!

Don't wait for the Information Sheets, otherwise you may miss economical flights!

In the workcamps in Japan, volunteers will usually meet at the accommodations or the stations nearby, **in the afternoon of the first day** and can leave there **around the noon of the last day**. Some projects are located quite far from the airports and it takes a quite long time especially by cheap ways.

We also **write concrete latest arrival/ earliest departure time and dates at/ from the major airports (based on the cheaper way** by using the midnight bus, etc.) in each project description though it will depend how to go there (if you take the expensive bullet trains or fly to closer airports, arrival/ departure time can be later/ earlier than that). And this is just for **your very minimum stay in Japan** and most of volunteers actually stay for some days more before/ after the workcamps (we rather recommend you to stay **after** (than before) the workcamps since you are more used to live in Japan and there may be more possibilities to stay in the houses of Japanese vols. though it's up to your agreement)! And volunteers **should not expect so much time for sightseeing during the**

projects (especially to the far places from the project sites), so if you want to do it, please take enough time

You can do any other preparation such as studying Japanese language/ culture/ history, etc.

About **visa** for Japan, see the **2-2 (LMTV)** and also please check it by yourself/ with your sending NGO.

Step 5: The detailed information of the project

By **1 month before** the project will start, volunteers will receive "**Information Sheets**" (details of the project and the accommodation, what to bring, the meeting point and time, how to get there, etc.).

Step 6: Joining the project!

You will stay and work with other volunteers and the local hosts. Have a fruitful stay!

< To join Short Term Workcamps all over the world > (organized by the partner NGOs)

1) Where and When organized?

NICE introduces about **3,000 workcamps** in **90 countries** organized by the **partner NGOs**. The projects are held **all through the year** (Majority is Jun.-Sep.).

2) Who can apply (through NICE)?

Japanese citizen or other citizens who are **living in Japan for a long time (for a year or more)**.

If you are **NOT** in the above criteria, you need to apply **through our partner NGO in your country**.

* If your country is in Asia-Pacific and has no such NGOs, then you need to apply through **NVDA** (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia) <http://nvda-asia.org/>

3) How can I apply and how much should I pay?

Ask out@nice1.gr.jp for more info., then we will send you the guidance and the form.

1-3) General Qualification;

- 1) High motivation for voluntary work** (Special skills or physical strength are not necessary)
- 2) Responsibility to follow the rules of NICE and the host** and to cooperate in the smooth running of the workcamps
- 3) Best efforts to understand and respect** the policies, ways and culture of NICE, the hosts and other volunteers
- 4) Aged 18 or over with the good physical and mental health (there are some exceptional cases we accept though)**
- 5) Open minded to make friends**, try to speak English in the group and Japanese with the locals as much as possible
- 6) Ability to adapt (and enjoy!) simple and local living conditions** (you may eat rice in almost every meal.)

The workcamp will be very enjoyable, but if you are only interested in having a holiday and tourism, and are not motivated for the aims, voluntary work and exchange with others in collective, simple (but healthy!) life, please cancel your participation immediately and travel on your own. If your motivation is to create a colorful and healthy community & world through the collaboration with the local people and volunteers, you are very welcomed!

1-4) Summery List of the projects

< International workcamps (open to any nationalities!) >

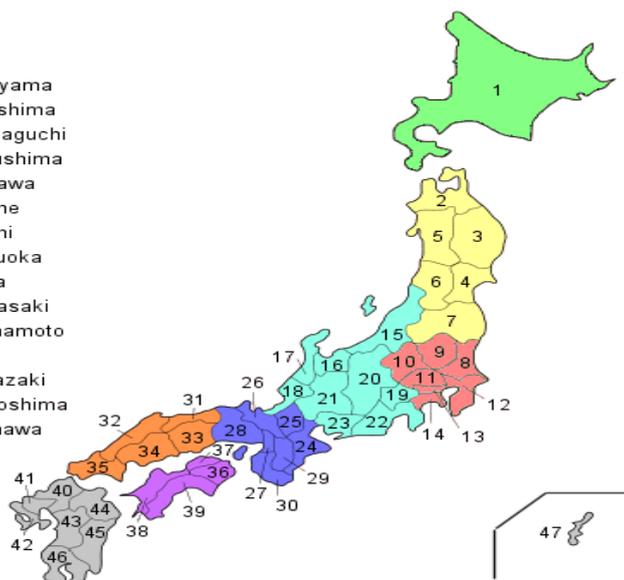
* **Some more projects will be added later!**

Code	Project name	Country	Location	Start	End	Theme	SDGs
NICE-20-0429A	Shirakami 1	Japan	Aomori	04/29	05/05	ENVI	13,15
NICE-20-0430A	Kuromatsunai 1	Japan	Hokkaido	04/30	05/07	ENVI	4,11
NICE-20-0618A	Shirakami 2	Japan	Aomori	06/18	06/29	ENVI	13,15
NICE-20-0717A	Kuromatsunai 2	Japan	Hokkaido	07/17	08/07	ENVI	2,15
NICE-20-0718A	Tokushima 2	Japan	Tokushima	07/18	07/27	FEST, CULT	11
NICE-20-0721A	Onuma 1	Japan	Hokkaido	07/21	07/30	ENVI, FEST	6,15
NICE-20-0721B	Yoshinogawa	Japan	Tokushima	07/21	08/04	FEST, ENVI	12
NICE-20-0722A	Katsuyama 1	Japan	Fukui	07/22	07/28	ARCH, AGRI, FAM	2,11

NICE-20-0728A	Ishinomaki 2	Japan	Miyagi	07/28	08/04	ENVI, EDU, FAM	4,11
NICE-20-0728B	Ibigawa	Japan	Gifu	07/28	08/06	AGRI, ENVI	2,15
NICE-20-0730A	Imajo 1	Japan	Fukui	07/30	08/12	AGRI	2
NICE-20-0731A	Shirakami 3	Japan	Aomori	07/31	08/09	KIDS	4
NICE-20-0801C	Aso	Japan	Kumamoto	08/01	08/16	AGRI, FEST, KIDS	2,11
NICE-20-0801D	Katsuyama 2	Japan	Fukui	08/01	08/16	AGRI, ARCH	11
NICE-20-0803A	Kumano	Japan	Mie	08/03	08/15	ENVI, CULT, MANU	11
NICE-20-0803B	Hanawa	Japan	Fukushima	08/03	08/18	FEST, ART	11
NICE-20-0804E	Tokushima 3	Japan	Tokushima	08/04	08/18	FEST, ENVI	11
NICE-20-0805A	Tochigi Youth	Japan	tochigi	08/05	08/14	ENVI, EDU	13,15
NICE-20-0805B	Kodomo-mura	Japan	Oita	08/05	08/18	KIDS	4
NICE-20-0806A	Ogi	Japan	Niigata	08/06	09/01	ENVI, FEST	15
NICE-20-0807A	Oi 1	Japan	Tokushima	08/07	08/13	AGRI, CULT	8
NICE-20-0808A	Akame 4	Japan	Mie	08/08	08/18	ENVI	4,15
NICE-20-0810A	Yoichi	Japan	Hokkaido	08/10	09/06	ENVI, KIDS	2,15
NICE-20-0813A	Kitakyushu	Japan	Fukuoka	08/13	08/23	KIDS, FEST	4
NICE-20-0815A	Hoshino	Japan	Fukuoka	08/15	08/30	ENVI, KIDS	11,15
NICE-20-0816F	Hirata	Japan	Shimane	08/16	08/24	ENVI, KIDS	4
NICE-20-0816G	Kamojima 2	Japan	Tokushima	08/16	08/25	CULT, KIDS	4
NICE-20-0818A	Ino	Japan	Shimane	08/18	08/24	SOCI, KIDS	3, 4
NICE-20-0820A	Yamakoshi	Japan	Niigata	08/20	08/26	AGRI	2
NICE-20-0822D	Wazuka	Japan	Kyoto	08/22	09/05	AGRI, CULT	2,15
NICE-20-0822E	Omuta	Japan	Fukuoka	08/22	09/05	KIDS, SOC	4, 10
NICE-20-0823A	Kamakura	Japan	Kanagawa	08/23	08/31	KIDS, SOCI	10
NICE-20-0823B	Nishiwaga	Japan	Iwate	08/23	09/01	AGRI, ELDE,	15
NICE-20-0826A	Yunodake 2	Japan	Fukushima	08/26	09/04	ENVI	15
NICE-20-0826B	Shintoku	Japan	Hokkaido	08/26	09/08	AGRI, ENVI, CONS	2,10
NICE-20-0901A	Onuma 2	Japan	Hokkaido	09/01	09/13	ENVI, FEST	6,15
NICE-20-0901D	Kamiyama	Japan	Tokushima	09/01	09/20	AGRI	2
NICE-20-0902A	Shiwa	Japan	Iwate	09/02	09/10	EDU	4
NICE-20-0903A	Tondabayashi	Japan	Osaka	09/03	09/17	ENVI	15
NICE-20-0905A	Shinko	Japan	Nagano	09/05	09/19	EDU, ENVI	4,11
NICE-20-0909C	Ozuchi 3	Japan	Ishikawa	09/09	09/22	MANU, KIDS, ELDE	2,11
NICE-20-0910A	Kamimamakuchi	Japan	Ishikawa	09/10	09/21	AGRI, ENVI, ART	2,11
NICE-20-0912D	Imajo 2	Japan	Fukui	09/12	09/18	CONS, AGRI, ENVI	2,15
NICE-20-0918A	Oi 2	Japan	Tokushima	09/18	09/24	AGRI, CULT	8
NICE-20-0920A	Yumefukuro S1	Japan	Kumamoto	09/20	10/03	ENVI	13,15
NICE-20-0922A	Tateya	Japan	Nagano	09/22	10/03	AGRI, MANU	2,10
NICE-20-1004A	Miyoshi	Japan	Tokushima	10/04	10/10	AGRI	2
NICE-20-1007A	Misato	Japan	Shimane	10/07	10/20	FEST, ENVI	11,15
NICE-20-1014A	Maki	Japan	Nagano	10/14	10/25	AGRI, MANU	2,10
NICE-20-1025A	Yumefukuro S3	Japan	Kumamoto	10/25	11/07	ENVI	13,15
NICE-20-1109A	Muroto	Japan	Kochi	11/09	11/21	KIDS, EDU	4
NICE-20-1218B	Kamojima 3	Japan	Tokushima	12/18	12/28	CULT, KIDS	4

Japan Prefectures Map

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| 1. Hokkaido | 17. Ishikawa | 33. Okayama |
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| 3. Iwate | 19. Yamanashi | 35. Yamaguchi |
| 4. Miyagi | 20. Nagano | 36. Tokushima |
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| 8. Ibaraki | 24. Mie | 40. Fukuoka |
| 9. Tochigi | 25. Shiga | 41. Saga |
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| 16. Toyama | 32. Shimane | |



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Code	Project name	Country	Location	Start	End	Theme	SDGs
NICE-20-0403A	Daman 6	Nepal	Daman	04/03	04/16	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-0426A	Daman 7	Nepal	Daman	04/26	05/09	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-0426C	G. Mongolia	Mongolia	Buhug	04/26	05/09	ENVI	13,15
NICE-20-0428A	Higu 3	Sri Lanka	Higurakgoda	04/28	05/11	ENVI, AGRI	4,15
NICE-20-0515A	Higu 4	Sri Lanka	Higurakgoda	05/15	05/28	SOCI, MANU	1
NICE-20-0603A	Deni 2	Sri Lanka	Deniyaya	06/03	06/16	AGRI	2
NICE-20-0606A	Daman 8	Nepal	Daman	06/06	06/19	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-0615A	Higu 5	Sri Lanka	Higurakgoda	06/25	07/08	ENVI, AGRI	4,15
NICE-20-0701A	Daman 9	Nepal	Daman	07/01	07/14	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-0713A	Kabi 1	Sri Lanka	Kabithigollewa	07/13	07/22	AGRI, SOCI	1,2
NICE-20-0716A	Daman 10	Nepal	Daman	07/16	07/29	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-0801A	Daman 11	Nepal	Daman	08/01	08/14	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-0804B	Higu 6	Sri Lanka	Higurakgoda	08/04	08/17	SOCI, KIDS	10
NICE-20-0809A	Vang Vieng 2	Laos	Vang Vieng	08/09	08/22	CONS, KIDS	4,11
NICE-20-0809F	Golden Life 3	Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	08/09	08/22	SOCI, KIDS	10
NICE-20-0816A	Wisma Harapan 2	Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	08/16	08/29	MENT, KIDS	10
NICE-20-0816D	Daman 12	Nepal	Daman	08/16	08/29	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-0822A	PTF 2	Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	08/22	09/04	SOCI, KIDS, RENO	10
NICE-20-0830A	Golden Life 4	Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	08/30	09/12	SOCI, KIDS	10
NICE-20-0901B	Daman 13	Nepal	Daman	09/01	09/14	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-0906A	YCK 2	Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	09/06	09/19	REFU, EDU, KIDS	4,10
NICE-20-0909A	Deni 3	Sri Lanka	Deniyaya	09/09	09/18	AGRI	2
NICE-20-0912A	PTF 3	Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	09/12	09/25	SOCI, KIDS, RENO	10
NICE-20-0916A	Daman 14	Nepal	Daman	09/16	09/29	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-1002A	Higu 7	Sri Lanka	Higurakgoda	10/02	10/11	ENVI, AGRI	4,15
NICE-20-1006A	Daman 15	Nepal	Daman	10/06	10/20	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-1106A	Daman 16	Nepal	Daman	11/06	11/20	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-1116A	Higu 8	Sri Lanka	Higurakgoda	11/16	11/25	SOCI, MANU	1
NICE-20-1202A	Higu 9	Sri Lanka	Higurakgoda	12/02	12/15	SOCI, MANU	1
NICE-20-1206A	Daman 17	Nepal	Daman	12/06	12/20	RENO, SOCI	4,11
NICE-20-1221B	Higu 10	Sri Lanka	Higurakgoda	12/21	01/03	SOCI, KIDS	10

AGRI: Agriculture
 ANIM: Work with animals
 ARCH: Archaeology
 ART: Artistic
 CONS: Construction
 CULT: Cultural
 DISA: Disabled ("Challenged")

EDU: Teaching, Awareness
 ELDE: Work with Elderly
 ENVI: Environmental
 FEST: Festival
 KIDS: Work with Kids
 LEAD: Project leading
 MANU: Manual

REFU: Work with refugees
 RENO: Renovation
 SOCI: Social
 SPORT: Sports
 STUD: Study, Research
 FAM: targeting Family
 TEEN: targeting Teenagers

* Applications for **Daman (Nepal)/ G. Mongolia (Mongolia)** should be sent not to NICE, but FFN/ MCE while those for the projects in Sri Lanka, Laos and Malaysia should be sent to NICE.

* **SDGs:** 1-2 Most relevant goals of SDGs for each project (16 applies to all the projects, so has not been specified).
 1. Poverty 2. Hunger 3. Health 4. Education 5. Gender 6. Water 7. Energy 8. Work 9. Infrastructure 10. Inequality 11. Cities 12. Consumption 13. Climate change 14. Oceans 15. Forests 16. Justice 17. Partnership

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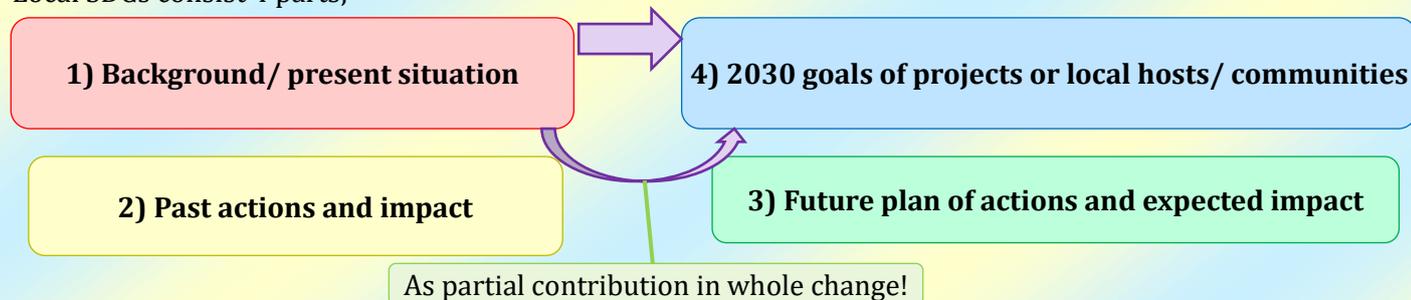
< Local SDGs (2030 project/ local goals) >

* NICE has been creating Local SDGs in more than 50 projects in Japan and abroad since 2015 together with the local hosts/ people and volunteers (see the example of Onuma workcamp on the last page).

Local SDGs are NOT the local goals to implement/ following UN's SDGs, but their own original goals.

* You can find a link to the presentations in some project descriptions made by the camp leaders with the local hosts. They were presented in the IVS contests and are written in Japanese for now (2019 Nov.), but planned to be translated in English by the end of 2019!

* Local SDGs consist 4 parts;



* We are trying to keep revising Local SDGs in each project and use them in each of the following stage;

Stage in the project cycle	Example of benefits for the projects
1. Project planning between NICE & Local hosts	Better planning in the long term point of views.
2. Recruitment of Camp leaders & Volunteers	It can attract more people to apply!
3. Preparation of Camp leaders & Volunteers	They can understand the project better!
4. Running Projects (orientations & workshops)	Vols. get more motivated to work! Collecting more ideas!
5. Evaluation & Presentation of Projects	Better visibility and promotion!

1-5) Detailed Workcamps Information;

< Projects in Japan >

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0429A	Shirakami 1	Aomori	Japan	04/29	05/05	ENVI	5	18	99
1. Summary	Preserving the beautiful beech forests and enjoy your stay in beautiful rural area where is famous for tasty sea foods!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Shirakami Mountains Preservation Society (SMPS), since 2006. The Shirakami Mountains is one of Japanese valuable preserved natural forests consisting primarily of beech trees, registered as a World Natural Heritage in 1993. SMPS aims to preserve the natural beauty of the Shirakami Mountains by nurturing seedlings of beech trees, planting them, training mountain guide, etc. SMPS hosts tree-planting ceremony every June for preserving beech forests and promoting the value. They also preserve the forests near the Mutsu-bay, famous as production of scallops. Due to climate change, the sea water temperature increased abnormally in 2010, the most of scallops were dead, so SMPS started to preserve the forest there to let nutrient water flow to the ocean.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: The workcamps have made great impact to revive/ maintain the natural forests as well as to raise awareness on environmental protection. In 2019, 7 vols from 4 countries worked well together with the local host.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will do various types of nature conservation works such as 1) transplanting the seedlings 2) seeding for growing nursery trees, 3) arranging the environment for seeding beds and so on. Work might be changed due to weather condition, we need to be flexible!								
4. Accommodation	Shared room in old elementary school. Sleeping bag is needed! Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of history and culture of Shirakami, and skills of conservation forests in Japan.								
6. Other activities	Enjoy rich nature around accommodation, taking a walk at morning, hot spring, etc.								
7. Location	Volunteers will work in Ajigasawa town and Hiranai town in Aomori prefecture. Aomori is located on the northernmost tip of Honshu Island. Shirakami Mountains located in southwest and the Mutsu-bay nestles between the eastern Shimokita and western Tsugaru Peninsulas. This is the good season for cherry blossom-viewing there.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Tokyo. From Tokyo to the meeting point in Aomori pref., it takes 7 hours by bullet train or 10 hours by bus. You need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita/ Haneda) by 19:00 on Apr. 29th and can leave the airport after 09:00 on May 5th.								
9. Requirement	Volunteers should be prepared to work hard outside in good and bad weather and have high motivation for work in the forests actively with local people.								
10. Participation fee	No fee								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0430A	Kuromatsunai 1	Hokkaido	Japan	04/30	05/07	ENVI, KIDS	8	18	99
1. Summary	Let's assist the Nature School in Hokkaido which is famous for beautiful nature and tasty, fresh food! The host NGO is specialized for environmental education.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Buna-no-mori Shizen Gakko (nature school with beech forests) since 2003 (2015 for this work). BSG was started in 1998 to promote ecological education for kids and run various kinds of kids programs. They have started to create an organic, community farm where various kinds of people can gather and heal their bodies and mind, so the workcamps in Apr. was helping to develop the farm, but from this year, it will be organized during the series of national holidays called "Golden Week" to support their programs and also maintenance!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 6 vols. from 4 countries worked together with the local people and made great contribution such as planting 25 birch trees, helping to run the cherry festival and exchanging with the local kids to grow global friendship! Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/n1-68295484 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	We will mainly help to run the nature experience program of the children organized by the nature school. We will also renovate the entrance of the guest house of the nature school and do some other work needed for the school, so be flexible!								
4. Accommodation	Building of the school. Sleeping bag is necessary. Breakfast and Lunch will be cooked by vols by turns while Dinner will be mainly cooked by the host, but the vols. still need to help it.								
5. Study theme	How the town is looked from outside. Bring some info.!								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties, excursion, etc.								
7. Location	South west of Hokkaido island. Full of beautiful nature with national reserve of beech forests, a river and wetland. Main industry is cattle farming.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Sapporo. From Sapporo to the meeting point, it takes 2 hours by express train. You need to arrive at Shin-Chitose (Sapporo) airport by 09:00 on Apr. 30 and can leave there after 14:00 on May 07). From Tokyo, 13 hours by bullet train or 32 hours by ship.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work with the children and respect to the way of the nature school. Similar types of experience and Japanese speaking skill are welcome! Motivation letter is needed.								
10. Participation fee	No fee								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0618A	Shirakami 2	Aomori	Japan	06/18	06/29	ENVI	5	18	99
1. Summary	Let's preserve the beautiful forests in the World Natural Heritage!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Shirakami Mountains Preservation Society (SMPS) since 2006. The Shirakami Mountains is one of Japanese valuable preserved natural forests consisting primarily of beech trees, registered as a World Natural Heritage in 1993. SMPS aims to preserve the natural beauty of the Shirakami Mountains by nurturing seedlings of beech trees, planting them, training mountain guide, etc. SMPS hosts tree-planting ceremony every June for preserving and promoting the value of it. They also preserve the forests near the Mutsu-bay, famous as production of scallops. Due to climate change, the sea water temperature increased abnormally and the most of scallops were dead. So SMPS started to preserve the forest there to let nutrient water flow to the ocean.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: The workcamps have made great impact to run the tree plantation festival as well as to raise awareness on environmental protection. In 2019, 7 vols from 5 countries worked well together with the local host.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will do various types of nature conservation works such as 1) cutting glasses to improve ecological richness of the forest and 2) helping the tree planting ceremonies including preparation such as carrying the plants and tools, and cleanup after the event. We will also help local farmers. The contents of work might be changed due to weather condition, so volunteers need to be flexible!								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in shared room of old elementary school. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Please bring a sleeping bag.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of history and culture of Shirakami mountains, and skills of conservation forests in Japan.								
6. Other activities	Enjoy rich nature around accommodation, taking a walk at morning, hot spring, etc.								
7. Location	Volunteers will work in Ajigasawa town and Hiranai town in Aomori prefecture. Aomori is located on the northernmost tip of Honshu Island. Shirakami Mountains located in southwest and the Mutsu-bay nestles between the eastern Shimokita and western Tsugaru Peninsulas.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Tokyo. From Tokyo to the meeting point in Aomori pref., it takes 7 hours by bullet train or 10 hours by bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita/Haneda) by 19:00 on Jun. 17th and can leave the airport after 22:00 on Jun. 29th.								
9. Requirement	Volunteers should prepare to work hard outside in good and bad weather and have high motivation for work in the forests actively with local people.								
10. Participation fee	No fee								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0718A	Tokushima 2	Tokushima	Japan	07/18	07/27	FEST, CULT	6	18	99
1. Summary	Learning about Awa Ningyo Joruri, designated as National Important Tangible Folk Cultural Property, and perform it at Bizan Tenjin Festival.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with the local NPO "Bizan Daigaku" whose aim is to revitalize the community for the first time. This is the first workcamp with Tokushima Bizan Ten-Jinja Shrine and Mr. Martin Holman who is the first foreign puppeteer of "ningyo Joruri". Mr.Holman has studied Ningyo Joruri for more than 30 years and performed it in the US as well. He has moved to Tokushima from Kentucky in the US in autumn of 2019. They aim to achieve a diverse society in the region by supporting the inheritance of traditional culture; learning deeply about Awa Ningyo Joruri, a traditional performing art of Tokushima, which has been designated as National Important Tangible Folk Cultural Property and learning deeply about as well as supporting the operation of the Festival, which is known as the Tenjin Festival held at Tokushima Ten Jinja Shrine.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: We expect that both of local and volunteers recognize how important to pass such a traditional culture to next generation and enjoy learning performance.</p>								
3. Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn about Awa Ningyo Joruri then practice the performance to perform at Tenjin Festival • Learn about Tenjin Festival and support preparing and cleaning after the festival (including cleaning and weeding at the shrine). • Manage a workshop for learning about Ningyo Joruri with children 								
4. Accommodation	Sharing house(renovated apartment) in Tokushima city. All meals will be prepared by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Learn and support a festival with history and a National Important Tangible Folk Cultural Property, Awa Ningyo Joruri.								
6. Other activities	Participate in other activities with local people, Experience Japanese culture etc.								
7. Location	Tokushima city, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 18th and can leave there after 13:00 on 27th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude, a willingness to learn. Most importantly, strong sense of responsibility to make the festival and the Joruri performance successful.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Video on Tokushima city: Undiscovered Tokushima, The Real Tokushima https://youtu.be/osjj3MfpmM0								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

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NICE-20-0721A	Onuma 1	Hokkaido	Japan	07/21	07/30	ENVI, FEST	8	18	99
1. Summary	Revive the beautiful lake as 100 years ago through our small, but valuable step by forest maintenance and cleaning up! The place and food are so beautiful here:)								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Onuma Milestone 22, a local NGO made by President of Fishermen's Cooperative and Director of international exchange association since 2004. Though Onuma lake has been a popular tourism spot for a long time because of its beautiful scenery, it has been polluted by over use of agricultural chemicals in cattle farming and erosion from abandoned forests with alien trees. Volunteers will work and live together with the mid term workcampers (Jul. 21-Sep. 13) which vols are also recruited.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 5 MTVs and 13 STVs from 8 countries in 1 mid. and 2 short term workcamps worked together with the local people and made great contribution to cut glasses and make nursery pots in the forests, to remove the alien clay fish, to clean up the shores and to help organizing the festivals which were empowered! Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/n2-68394244 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will 1) work in the forest (removing some alien conifer trees that disturb growth of other plants and animals, maintain the foot paths, etc.), 2) clean up the shore of the lake and/ or remove clay fish, 3) help to prepare and run the lake festival and 4) possibly promote to use eco sponges with which you can wash most of the dishes without using detergent.								
4. Accommodation	Rooms of the apartment. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary. By the kind offer from the rental shop, each volunteer can use a bicycle that is very convenient to explore the area! Wi-Fi is available at the visitor center nearby.								
5. Study theme	Lecture of environmental issue. Workshop to plan the 30 years plan of Onuma toward 2050								
6. Other activities	Excursion to Hakodate city, nature walk along the lake, exchange parties with local people								
7. Location	Onuma is located in Nanae town in the southern Hokkaido island, 30-60 min. distance by train from Hakodate city which is famous for the romantic view in the night, especially for sweet couples!								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Hakodate. Volunteers need to arrive at Narita airport by 06:00 or Haneda airport by 08:00 on Jul. 21 and can leave there after 18:00 on Jul. 30. They can also go through Sapporo (3 hours by express train) or by midnight bus & train from Tokyo.								
9. Requirement	Motivation to actively work for the protection of the forest and lake with local people!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0721B	Yoshinogawa	Tokushima	Japan	07/21	08/04	FEST, ENVI	8	18	99
1. Summary	Supporting local Summer event through 'Eco station', raise awareness of garbage issues!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 12 (Responsible Production and Consumption), organized together with NPO, 'Bizan Daigaku' since 2015. "Yoshino gawa" is the name of a river which is the largest river in Shikoku area. The local festival "Yoshino gawa festival" is one of the famous festivals in Tokushima which is supported by local people voluntary. More than 20,000 people come to this festival every year, and the amount of garbage is huge. During the event, the local group keeps trying to give visitors awareness about the environment though organizing "Eco station" where visitors throw away and separate trash.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp; the activity of "ECO station" was broadcasted on local TV program in several times and people think about how important to separate garbage for environment. Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/17-82095303 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!) In 2019, 7 vols. from 5 countries worked well.</p>								
3. Work	Prepare for "Eco station" (discussing how it should be done in order to make people bring and separate garbage proactively, and crafting etc.), organize "Eco station" where visitors come to separate garbage. Washing reusable cups, picking and separating rubbish during/after the festival. Help various activities with NPO Bizan Daigaku such as taking care of flowers, activities with children and so on before and after the festival days.								
4. Accommodation	Sharing house(renovated apartment) in Tokushima city. All meals will be prepared by volunteers by turns. Lunch and dinner during the festival will be provided from local. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get chance to interact with energetic local people who want to activate the small city.								
6. Other activities	Join the festivals, Exchange parties, experiencing Japanese cultural dance Awa Odori, etc.								
7. Location	Tokushima city, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 21st and can leave there after 13:00 on 4th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude to working hard, respect for and communication with Japanese local people								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-0722A	Katsuyama 1	Fukui	Japan	07/22	07/28	ARCH, AGRI, FAM	16	6	99
1. Summary	International FAMILY workcamp in the mountain village of great nature and beautiful houses! Meaningful work, super clean water and Dinosaur museum are waiting!!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Ohara Eco Project (OEP) in cooperation since 2009. There were 600 inhabitants in Ohara village with 90 houses 100 years ago, but now only 1 elder! OEP was founded by the local people in 2006 and has rehabilitated 7 houses of cultural heritage. They maintain and revive the trails and fields, organize the workcamps with NICE and run various eco tours, so got the best prize in the award of Creating Home Town by the national government in 2016!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: The family workcamp started since 2013 (President of NICE keeps joining as a leader with his kids) and hosted a lot of families from Japan, Asia, Europe and Americas with great success. In 2019, 16 vols. from 6 families in 5 countries joined and made great contribution to have dried over sleeping mats, weed in the tea field (see the pictures), made natural clay for walls, cleaned the village road, etc. Please see the presentation made by the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/e5-55193721 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteer will help to 1) maintain the old houses (cleaning up, drying many sleeping mats, mixing clay, straw and water, etc.), 2) do farming (weeding in the green tea field that was abandon, etc.) and 3) do other community work (e.g., construction, chopping woods, trail maintenance). Children sometimes work with adults and other times play in the nature (river, etc.) by the assistance of some parents (by turns) and supporting vols.								
4. Accommodation	A few rooms of the traditional renovated house! Meals will be cooked by turns. Sleeping bag is not necessary. Simple shower facilities. Clean toilets. You can see how the village looks like at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tzGZvho8fVQ								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of Katsuyama								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties, Excursion on a free day including the famous Dinosaurs Museum and its experience program of fossil excavation, etc.								
7. Location	200 km north east of Osaka. Katsuyama is an agricultural city and famous for dinosaurs discovery. Ohara village is located at 500 m a.s.l. and surrounded by the mountains with very rich nature (e.g., the spring water is drinkable and very tasty!).								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Osaka. From Osaka/ Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 3/ 5 hours by the bullet train and 5/ 11 hours by bus. If Tokyo, Vols. need to arrive at the airport in Narita or Haneda by 05:00 on Jul. 22 and can leave there after 23:00 on Jul. 28.								
9. Requirement	Only families (Children should be 6-12 years old) can join this program. Basically, up to 4 persons (2 adults) per family. High motivation to work and cooperate. Respect to the local culture and way of the organization! Speaking Japanese language is welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) for adult and 10,000 JPY (about 80 EUR) for child of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders and the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free while 7,000 JPY of the child's fee is used to support a part of the meals cost.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
Picture (Area)		Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)				
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0728A	Ishinomaki 2	Miyagi	Japan	07/28	08/04	EDU, ENVI, FAM	15	6	99
1. Summary	International FAMILY workcamp. Let's interact with international family and local family who had experience of huge earthquake through activities.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with [Ishimaki Kawanokami Project] (first time in this place as the family workcamp). They started international workcamps in 2019. It is an area with a population of 400 family households who resided in Ishinomaki City's coastal area before the Great East Japan Earthquake in 2011, and the region's local residences. Previous NICE staff, she moved to Ishinomaki on 2016 after marriage. After moving there, she had chance to know this project. She was impressed by their activity, so she supported to start this workcamp in 2019. She was also impressed that Miyagi pref. has the biggest number of "child who refuses to go to school" in Japan. Especially, Ishinomaki city has the biggest number in Miyagi pref because of trauma of the Great East Japan Earthquake in 2011. Local host wants to change this situation. And also in Kawanokami area, there is no opportunity to communicate with foreigners. She will be camp leader and coordinator of this workcamp.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: We expect to create an opportunity to communicate with foreigners for local family, and want to make communication with same generation of kids from all over the world.</p>								
3. Work	Organizing international exchange events for local family, like international cooking etc.. One of main work is maintenance of around community cafe and community space (Hyappyo-kan), like cleaning up, picking weed etc..								
4. Accommodation	Huge volunteer house (Japanese style). Simple self-catering. Meal is cooked by volunteer by turn. Having own room each family.								
5. Study theme	How to reconstruct the community from the Earthquake disaster.								
6. Other activities	Exchange with the local families, to join summer festival, to see fire works, sightseeing, etc.								
7. Location	1 hour by bus from Sendai Station. Situated on the East of Miyagi Prefecture with Kitakami River stretching through from North to South. Inland area thrives with rice cultivation while coastal area flourishes with fisheries and aquaculture.								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Sendai airport. Or use Shinkansen from Tokyo station, or overnight bus from Tokyo or Shinjuku station. Volunteers need to arrive at Narita/ Haneda airport by the 27th night and can leave the project site on the 4th noon.								
9. Requirement	Need motivation to work for disaster area and respect the local culture and way of the local organization!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Kawanokami Project web site (in Japanese) : http://kawanokami.com/								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0728B	Ibigawa	Gifu	Japan	07/28	08/06	AGRI, ENVI	8	18	99
1. Summary	Help the traditional organic tea farm at the beautiful little Machu-Pichu in Gifu!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with a local organization named 'National Daily-tea and Tea seeds Support Network (NDTSN)' since 2018. Kasuga area in Ibigawa town is one of the rare place of producing the Japanese tea in a traditional way of farming without any use of pesticides. On the other hand, the area has been facing serious aging and depopulation problems so that the number of retired farmers has been increasing rapidly. NDTSN has been trying to revive the abandoned cultivated lands and making wholesome oil produced from tea seeds as a new local specialty. NDTSN also has been trying to organize some projects for the interaction between urban and rural areas for activating the community.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2018, 7 vols. from 4 countries made great impact to the local activities. It was stopped in 2019 due to the local circumstances, but revived again this year!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly support for elderly local farmers to work on their tea farm such as cutting and collecting grasses. The schedule of work will be changed due to weather condition, so you need to be flexible!								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in shared room at a old house. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of history and culture of Japanese tea.								
6. Other activities	Volunteers will join the local traditional summer festival!								
7. Location	Kasuga area of Ibigawa town in Gifu prefecture. It's surrounded by beautiful mountains. The beautiful scenery of tea farms in highland there is called 'little Machu-Pichu in Gifu'.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Nagoya (Chubu Centrair International Airport). From Nagoya to the meeting point (Ibi sta.), it takes 2 hours by train. You need to arrive at the airport in Nagoya by 9:00AM on the first day and can leave there after 18:00 on the last day. From Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 4.5 hours by bullet train.								
9. Requirement	Interest in organic tea farming and high motivation for working outside.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0730A	Imajo 1	Fukui	Japan	07/30	08/12	AGRI	6	16	99
1. Summary	Harvesting flower with local people! Enjoy very beautiful Japanese nature and culture!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), organized together with Plus times for the first time. It is founded by local people to improve their community culture. In this area, there is depopulation problem especially young people. Local people hope to continue their special culture/products (ex. dried persimmon, beautiful forest, festival and so on) This group try to (1) revival the special, product, (2) organizing local event, (3) promotion about this area with young voluntary power and new idea. New young guy started to work as flower farmer, he try to make new tourism though flower.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: It is the first workcamp and we expect to empower and creating some ideas to their activities!</p>								
3. Work	The main work is [1] Harvesting and packing flower in the morning from 5:00 to 1:00 pm, normally early morning work! [2] discussing with local people about NEW idea of "chrysanthemum and tourism" for activation, and do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	Renovated house (traditional Japanese house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. Volunteer need a sleeping bag. Volunteers prepare meals by themselves. Some mobile are not available.								
5. Study theme	Revival of the abandon villages though the special product (flower).Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village and traditional culture.								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, nature life and hot spring etc.								
7. Location	The southwest part of Fukui prefecture. Minami-echizencho, Imajo area is countryside, so sometime feel isolated, but you can enjoy local life in the very beautiful/traditional place. Dried persimmon is main industry in this area. (https://goo.gl/maps/GWH5FojA6Zw)								
8. Terminal	The closest International airport is Osaka (Kansai). It takes 4 hours to the meeting point by express train. From Tokyo (Narita/Haneda), 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus (you need to arrive by 29th July. afternoon/ can leave campsite after 12th noon.)								
9. Requirement	Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. High motivation to work hard and simple mountain life in the isolated area, Also respect to the local culture and way of the local organization.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	The website of local organization https://www.facebook.com/NomuraFF/								
Picture (Area)		Picture (Work)			Picture (Work)				
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0731A	Shirakami 3	Aomori	Japan	07/31	08/09	KIDS	4	18	99
1. Summary	Let's be a volunteer for nature kid summer camp in beautiful World Natural Heritage!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with Shirakami Nature School (SNS) since 2006. Shirakami Mountains is one of Japanese valuable preserved natural forests consisting primarily of beech trees, registered as a World Natural Heritage in 1993. SNS has a summer vacation program for children aged 7-12. Children will play and live in the nature to grow their independence, cultivate sensitivity, and learn group cooperation. This is also good opportunity for children to learn about international culture through communication with international volunteers. Volunteers need to be ready to spend 24 hours with children during kids camp except some free times.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 5 vols. from 2 countries worked well with the local people and created great friendship with the children who requested them to come back next summer again and the local staff also appreciated to them.</p>								
3. Work	<p>Volunteers will help out and live together with children all the time in the summer program, such as supporting some activities in nature (playing at river, BBQ, trekking in mountain, experience of forestry and agriculture etc.), and showing your culture, performance. Volunteers also help some other needed works such as forest maintenance and cleaning. The contents of work will be changed due to weather, so please be flexible!</p>								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in shared room of old elementary school. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Please bring a sleeping bag.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of history and culture of Shirakami.								
6. Other activities	Enjoy rich nature around accommodation, taking a walk at morning, hot spring, etc.								
7. Location	The Shirakami Mountains, located in the northern part of Honshu Island, is a huge mountainous area (130,000 hectares on the border between Aomori and Akita Prefectures).								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Tokyo. From Tokyo to the meeting point in Aomori pref., it takes 7 hours by bullet train or 10 hours by bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita/Haneda) by 19:00 on July. 30th and can leave the airport after 22:00 on Aug. 9th.								
9. Requirement	Volunteers should love kids and speak/understand some Japanese language. Responsibilities, group cooperativeness and high motivation are necessary! Volunteers have experienced the activity with kids are welcome! Motivation letter is required.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English and basic Japanese								
12. Other	none								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0801C	Aso	Kumamoto	Japan	08/01	08/16	KIDS, AGRI, FEST	12	18	99
1. Summary	Join and help for activating the community by supporting kids camp and local festival.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with a local group formed for this project since 1999. Aso city is located in the center of Kyushu, famous for Mt. Aso, is a large active volcano in Japan. The mountain's caldera, created by multiple gigantic eruption in the distant past, is with a circumference of over 100 kilometers one of the largest in the world. In spite of the wonderful landscape, depopulation is a serious problem here similarly with many other parts of the country side in Japan. This project aims to activate the area by helping some local activities and make opportunities of intercultural exchange between locals and international volunteers. It was happened huge earthquake in Kumamoto 2016. Aso is one of big damaged place of it. NICE organized revival international workcamp with one of main local host.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 12 vols. from 5 countries worked with the local people. Brothers from Czech brought the Czech beer local people loved to drink:) 13 children exchanged with them in the summer camp and grew nice friendship. Major also visited the party and exchanged with the vols. well.</p>								
3. Work	<p>Volunteers will help some local activities as the below.</p> <p>1) Kids camp: Volunteers will support 2 days Kids camp, by playing with them and showing your culture. 2) Summer festival: Volunteers will join traditional summer festival, setting and cleaning up the venue. 3) Agriculture: Volunteers will work in farm for helping local elder farmers. Volunteers will do some other works needed in the community.</p>								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in a shared room of community center, very simple facility. Please bring your sleeping bag. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will learn about culture and ecosystem of Mt. Aso.								
6. Other activities	Local school visit, hot spring, and one-day homestay.								
7. Location	Aso in Kumamoto pref. is a city with rich nature. Aso-Kuju National Park is one of Japan's oldest national park. Volunteers can enjoy splendid view of Mt. Aso and natural hot spring!								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Fukuoka. From Fukuoka to the meeting point, it takes 3 hours by express train. You need to arrive in Fukuoka by 09:00 AM on first day and can leave after 17:00 on last day. The nearest domestic airport is in Kumamoto.								
9. Requirement	Interest in activities with children. Volunteers need to have strong motivation for working with kids. Detailed motivation letter is required.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								



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NICE-20-0801D	Katsuyama 2	Fukui	Japan	08/01	08/16	HERI,AGRI, FEST	8	18	99
1. Summary	Work in the mountain local community and enjoy beautiful rich nature/culture!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with "Ohara Eco Project (OEP)" and Katsuyama city government since 2009. There were 600 inhabitants in Ohara village with 90 houses, but now only 1 elder! OEP was founded by the Foresters cooperative and local people in 2006 and have rehabilitated 7 houses of cultural heritage. Depopulation problem is serious in most of mountain parts in Japan. Many fields and forests are abandoned, so we will try to improve the situation by voluntary power! Volunteers support local community work like as cleaning up ditch, mountain road and old house, organizing local festival, agriculture in Abandoned farmland and so on instead of local people.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the presentation made by the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/e1-67951349 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 5 vols. from 3 countries worked well with the local people.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteer will do various work to activate this village and preserve their culture and nature. Main work is 1)work for the community (e.g., reviving the abandon fields, chopping the fire woods, maintaining forest paths and maintain the ditch) and 2) support to renovate the old traditional house like as carrying the stuff, changing the floor, etc., 3). And do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	Renovated house (Japanese traditional house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. You don't need to bring your sleeping bag. Volunteers sometime prepare the meals by themselves. Wi-Fi are not connected basically.								
5. Study theme	We may have time for discussion about "Best practice to revive depopulated areas in each country and their networking".								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties, visit to the Dinosaurs Museum, hot spring, etc.								
7. Location	About 200 km north east of Osaka. Katsuyama is an agricultural city and famous for dinosaurs discovery. Ohara village is located at 500 a.s.l., and surrounded by mountains, so very isolated, but very beautiful place. (https://goo.gl/maps/vVNx8xxrxzD2)								
8. Terminal	The closest International airport is Osaka (Kansai). It takes 4 hours to the meeting point by express train. From Tokyo (Narita/Haneda), 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus (you need to arrive by 31th July. afternoon/ can leave campsite after 16th noon.)								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work hard and simple mountain life in the isolated area and respect to the local culture and way of the local organization! Speaking Japanese language is welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village. Also, the basic knowledge of the Japanese language and local culture.								
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NICE-20-0803A	Kumano	Mie	Japan	08/03	08/15	ENVI, CULT, MANU	8	18	99
1. Summary	Revitalize the depopulated village though working and interacting with local people!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Association for Promotion of Regional Development in Nishiyama area, Kumano city where is depopulated in Mie prefecture since 2017. There are about 220 residents whose 73% is over 65 years old in Nishiyama area where volunteers will mainly stay. One youth who had joined an international workcamp in the past, has started organizing weekend workcamps since 2011 in Nishiyama area. 5 years later, local people have been getting open-minded to youths from outside of the area. Since the local people are getting too old to maintain public places such as parks or ruins of a castle, they need hands from international volunteers! Last year, more local elderly people got involved in the camp because the volunteers actively helped the work a lot and practiced traditional Japanese dance together. This year, local high school students may be invited to join a part of the camp.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2019-wp5 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). The local people and vols. sometimes cry on the last days. In 2019, 7 vols. from 4 countries worked well.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly help local people to maintain Nishiyama area such as grass cutting at a historical site, parks and community center. Also, the maintenance of ruins of castle such as making stairs beautiful!								
4. Accommodation	Community center. So please bring your sleeping bag. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will learn and feel about situation of seriously depopulated area in Japan.								
6. Other activities	Party with local people, etc.								
7. Location	Nishiyama area, Kumano city, Mie prefecture. It is more than 200 km far both from Osaka and Nagoya.								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Nagoya (Chubu Centrair) or Osaka (Kansai). To the meeting point, it will take about 4.5 hours by train from Chubu and 6 hours from Kansai. Volunteers are recommended to arrive at the airport one day before workcamp starts.) To the meeting point, it will take about 4.5 hours by train from Chubu and 6 hours from Kansai. Volunteers are recommended to arrive at the airport one day before workcamp starts.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude to enjoy rural, remoted area. Open mind to respect and communicate with local people								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	There will a summer festival on 17th. If you want to join, you can stay until 18th morning at the project site.								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0803B	Hanawa	Fukushima	Japan	08/05	08/18	FEST, ART	18	18	99
1. Summary	The empowerment of the local festival together with locals in the region facing the depopulation and aging.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with a local NGO for community development named KOBOSHA since 1996. Volunteers will join the summer festival called TORO NAGASHI that is a memorial service for ancestors by making lanterns named TORO and floating them down a river. Volunteers will make large TOROs (2 x 2 meters) for the festival. Through this workcamp, the local community will be much more activated, redeveloping pride for their community. The locals were able to continue this festival until now thanks to prepare some TOROs by volunteers!!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 13 vols. made 4 big lanterns and also exchanged well with the local children. The vols. are having a very important role to keep the festival that is very important mental empowerment for the community!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly help and join the festival by making four big lanterns TORO (2 x 2 meters) and hundreds of small lanterns together with local students. Volunteers can design your own large TORO in a group and will float it down a river in the festival. It will be physically demanding work.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay local community building. It will be very simple life style and a Japanese style. Room is shared with all volunteers. Meals are cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary and sleep on Japanese straw mat (tatami) with it.								
5. Study theme	Activate the isolated community with suffer from depopulation through the festival and good practices in your country								
6. Other activities	Experience of Japanese Drum, sports, exchange parties, hot spring, etc. Volunteers will get a opportunity to do Homestay in the local house.								
7. Location	Small town in the southern part of Fukushima. the population is about 9,000. The town is famous for beautiful flower named Dahlia from Aug. to Oct.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Tokyo (Narita/Haneda). From Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 7 hours by train. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita/Haneda) by 07:00 AM on the first day and can leave the airport after 22:00 PM on the last day.								
9. Requirement	Interest in Japanese culture and respect for local culture. Adaptability to simple living condition and positive attitude to work with locals!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

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NICE-20-0804E	Tokushima 3	Tokushima	Japan	08/04	08/18	FEST, ENVI	10	18	99
1. Summary	Helping for tour boats on the local river to support organizing festival for huge success!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with the local NPOs "Bizan Daigaku" since 2014 for revitalizing the community, and "Protecting Shinmachi river" who is taking care of local river. The NPO has been cleaning river for more than 20 years and dirty river became clean, so now they are organizing local tour boat services on Shinmachi river to let local people enjoy river. During this workcamp, Tokushima prefecture has one of the most popular festivals called "Awa Odori festival" that more than 1,000,000 visitors come from all over Japan (even abroad!). The visitors also enjoy the boats, that needs a lot of help to organize!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Local people, especially young generation paid attention to join in volunteering work through previous volunteer's effort and worked together during workcamp. Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2019-ep5 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 6 vols. from 6 countries made a great job!</p>								
3. Work	Prepare and support for local event "Awa Odori festival" with local people to activate the area. The volunteers will support the local group that organizes local boat services which many tourists make a long queue for. Volunteers also clean up the river and roads in the city during the festival. Also, they help various activities with NPO Bizan Daigaku such as taking care of flowers, activities with children and so on before and after the festival days.								
4. Accommodation	Sharing house (renovated apartment) in Tokushima city. All meals will be prepared by volunteers by turns. Lunch and dinner during the festival will be provided from local. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get chance to interact with energetic local people who want to activate the small city.								
6. Other activities	Awa Odori Festival, Exchange parties, experiencing Japanese culture, etc.								
7. Location	Tokushima city, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 4th and can leave there after 13:00 on 18th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude to working hard, respect for and communication with Japanese local people								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0805A	Tochigi Youth	Tochigi	Japan	08/05	08/14	ENVI	14	14	17
1. Summary	Youth Workcamp in Japan!! Forest conservation for bio-diversity and inclusive society.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Tochigi Conservation Corps (TCC). TCC was established in 2009 with inspiration of Conservation Corps in the U.S.A., which is a complex of long term workcamp for environment and leadership training. TCC work on forest preservation for bio-diversity, maintenance of abandoned farmland and cultivation of human resources for next generation. Furthermore, TCC aims to utilize forests as a social place by combining with other fields like welfare, children, education and so on. In 2017, TCC got the first prize in one of the biggest awards for inclusive society.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 12 vols. aged 15-17 from 4 countries and 1 adult leader worked and exchanged very actively which work was highly appreciated by TCC!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will do manual work such as weeding, cutting undesirable trees/ bamboos which disturb soil conservation function and bio-diversity. Working fields may vary due to local conditions. Each forest is expected to be a place for a place for relaxation for mentally challenged people, a habitat for Sashiba (eagles in danger of extinction) and so on. Also, volunteers will help outdoor activities with children.								
4. Accommodation	Shared rooms, separated by gender. Meals will be cooked by volunteers in turn. All basic facilities are provided.								
5. Study theme	Forest conservation.								
6. Other activities	Cultural exchange parties, onsen (public hot spring), traditional ceramics painting, sunflower festival etc.								
7. Location	Mashiko-machi, Haga-gun, Tochigi Prefecture is near Utsunomiya-City, 3 hours from the central of Tokyo by train. Volunteers can enjoy beautiful nature and local culture like Mashiko-yaki (traditional ceramics).								
8. Terminal	Volunteers need to arrive at either Narita airport or Haneda airport by 10A.M. on 5th August and can leave the airport after 16 P.M. on Aug. 14th. Meeting point is UTSUNOMIYA station (JR line).								
9. Requirement	Volunteers should be 14-17 years old, highly motivated to work outside. Respect to local people and other participants is needed.								
10. Participation fee	16,000 JPY (about 100 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" + additional fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. 6,000 JPY of NICE Vols. fee is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while 10,000 JPY goes to the local host.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	For more info. please refer to reports by long term volunteers as below. Some articles have English subtitles. http://blog.canpan.info/tochigicc/								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0805B	Kodomo-mura	Oita	Japan	08/05	08/18	KIDS	8	18	99
1. Summary	Volunteering for outdoor kids camp in summer and feel beautiful nature!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with "Kodomo-mura Project" since 1998. "Kodomo-mura Project" has been organized a summer kids camp named 'Kodomo-mura' (means Kids Village) for 30 children aged of 8-15. Children will join some outdoor programs, cook for themselves and live in the tent to learn about independence, sensitivity, group cooperation, global understanding and interest in different cultures. Volunteers need to prepare to spend 24 hours with children for this period (except for a few days off). This project continue 22 years now. Many volunteers joined this program through NICE. Some of them became camp staffs. They support NICE volunteers. It is ideal type, previous volunteers support new volunteers!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the presentation made by the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/w3-67953038 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 4 vols. from 3 countries were well integrated into the activities!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will help out and live together with children in the Kids Village, supporting activities and sharing your culture. Volunteers will encourage the children's independence and creativity by letting them plan the schedule. Volunteers need to respect their ideas and understand the educational approach of Kids Village!								
4. Accommodation	Shared room in the local community school and tents, please bring your sleeping bag. Volunteers will cook for themselves by turns.								
5. Study theme	Seminar about how to manage the outdoor activities for children.								
6. Other activities	Excursions, exchange parties, etc.								
7. Location	Small village in the mountains, in the very center of Kyushu Island								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Fukuoka. From Fukuoka to the meeting point, it takes 3 hours by express train. You need to arrive at Fukuoka airport by 11:00AM on the first day and can leave there after 18:00 on the last day).								
9. Requirement	Volunteers need to have strong motivation for working with kids for a long period. Volunteers also need to speak and understand some Japanese language (daily conversational level). Detailed motivation letter is required.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	Mainly Japanese and some English								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0806A	Ogi	Nigata	Japan	08/06	09/01	ENVI,FEST	7	18	99
1. Summary	Making Soba noodle, Japanese drum festival, Cutting bushes in the beautiful island.								
2. Background	This project is actively working for SDG 15 (Life on Land), organized together with "Morito", a local voluntary group in Sado Island, since 2001. They maintain the school forest called "Furusato-no-mori Park" in Ogi town, on the southern part of the island. They make it possible for the community to enjoy the forest in every season. They are now trying to focus on caring for the forest in a joint effort with the community. They hope youth and foreign volunteers will mentally and physically help to empower this area. Volunteer maintain about 5.7ha field every year! And they had good relationship with local people in the local festival. *Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the presentation made by the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2018-e3 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!) In 2019, 7 vols. from 4 countries were well integrated into the activities!								
3. Work	Volunteer's main works are (1)cutting bushes in the school huge forests by Brush-cutter machine (2)practicing make soba (buckwheat Japanese noodles) every night and selling soba at famous art festival "Earth Celebration" during 3 days with local people, and (3) supporting the local small festival "Ogi Matsuri" as player of Japanese drums.(Vols. need to practice to play it)								
4. Accommodation	Cottage in the school forest. Please bring your sleeping bag! Everyone will sleep together. Volunteers prepare the meals by themselves. Internet cannot be connected in the campsite. There is simple toilet, kitchen and shower room. Please be ready for simple forest life!								
5. Study theme	Volunteers get knowledge and skill about making Soba and playing the Japanese drum. Also, the basic knowledge of the Japanese language and local culture.								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties, fishing, swimming in the sea etc.								
7. Location	300 km northeast of Tokyo. Sado Island is famous for gold and the Japanese crested ibis. Ogi village is in the southern part beside the beach, where you can enjoy fishing and the hot spring! (https://goo.gl/maps/wSCq3PyfZT32)								
8. Terminal	The closest International airport is Tokyo (Haneda/Narita airport). It takes 3 hours by express train/ 8 hours by highway night bus and take ferry for 2 hours. Volunteers need to arrive Japan by 5th Aug. afternoon/ can leave campsite after 1st Sep. noon.								
9. Requirement	Interest in nature protection & exchange with a community. Adaptability to enjoy a simple forest lifestyle. Super high motivation for hard physical work during day and night!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0807A	Oi 1	Tokushima	Japan	08/07	08/13	CULT, AGRI	6	18	99
1. Summary	Supporting a village next to Kakurin-ji temple with agriculture and revitalization of the community!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), organized together with the local group since 2019. This village has been welcoming "ohenro (pilgrims)" who visit 88 temples in Shikoku since long time ago. The pilgrims walk through this village before visiting "Kakurin-ji temple"; the 20th temple out of 88 temples of the Shikoku Ohenro Pilgrimage. However, there are problems which should be solved such as aging and depopulation of the community these days, and locals haven't been able to find solutions for those problems. On the other hand, since more and more people from overseas visit for the Shikoku Ohenro Pilgrimage locals are trying to find new ways for "omotenashi (hospitality)". We would like to have more ideas to preserve our village with a long history and think of new ideas for hosting pilgrims, and start out with what we can do now.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: As it was very first workcamp here last year, 6 vols. from 4 countries came into local community as a pioneer and tried to contribute for the local, the local host also enjoyed exchanging own culture. The local host wants to spread workcamp's attraction to the local community and decides to accept volunteers in this year.</p>								
3. Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support harvesting and shipping "Shikimi (Japanese star anise)" at its season 2. Support harvesting and shipping "Sudachi citrus" 3. Help making brochures or signs for pilgrims from overseas throughout the village 								
4. Accommodation	Home staying at local farmhouses. All meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is NOT necessary.								
5. Study theme	Finding ways for sustainability of a depopulated village, Pass down the "osettai" culture to the next generation, Helping senior citizens to host foreigners								
6. Other activities	Welcome party by locals, visiting Kakurin-ji temple.								
7. Location	Ōi-cho, Anan city, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. Volunteers need to take local train from the meeting point to the campsite about 2.5 hours. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 7th and can leave there after 13:00 on 13th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude, a willingness to work hard and communicate with local people!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Video about Kakurin-ji temple https://youtu.be/V2vX5Ik4ASM								
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NICE-20-0808A	Akame 4	Mie	Japan	08/08	08/18	ENVI, KIDS	10	18	99
1. Summary	Working in SATOYAMA forest and help organizing a kids' camp!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with "Akame no SATOYAMA wo Sodateru kai", a local environmental organization for conservation of SATOYAMA forest working in Nabari city since 1999. Because this area is relatively close to the big cities between Osaka and Nagoya, there were plans to build a golf field and a disposal center. However, the local people stopped those plans by collecting donations and buying the land. SATOYAMA needs to be maintained by humans for its biodiversity and water adjustment function. Our ancestors had protected and utilized the forest in an ecological and sustainable way, which has been neglected by modernization at many places in Japan.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Over the last 20 years, 30 ha of SATOYAMA forest has been maintained by the previous volunteers. Please see the presentation of the camp leader for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/w55 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!).</p>								
3. Work	You will cut down trees in the forest and carry them out so that SATOYAMA forest receives enough amount of sun light and will be kept in the healthy condition for biodiversity. You sometimes need to use blades and machineries under the supervision. Work is quite hard from morning to evening even if it's not so heavy rain. You may take care of free-range raised chickens and slaughter old enough chickens for eating by themselves as well. You sometimes work with mentally/physically challenged people who work at the same place. You also will help organizing a 3-days summer kids' camp held in 15-17 Aug.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in a log house. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is NO need. Depends on the amount of work and consideration for the environment, volunteers may take a shower once every two days. Water might be only cold.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will acquire the knowledge of conservation work in SATOYAMA forest.								
6. Other activities	Hiking, cultural exchange parties, etc.								
7. Location	Workcamp is held in Kami-mitani area, Nabari city, Mie prefecture, about 60 km from Osaka. There are famous falls nearby that many hikers visit.								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Kansai (Osaka) or Nagoya (Chubu Centrair). To the meeting point, it will take about 2-3 hours by train from the both airports above. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport by 10:00 on 1st day and can leave there after 19:00 on the last day.								
9. Requirement	Strong motivation and physical strength are highly needed. Motivation letter is required.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0813A	Kitakyushu	Fukuoka	Japan	08/13	08/23	KIDS	10	18	99
1. Summary	Helping for summer kids camp with local college students. Let's share your culture, smiles, and friendship with children and students!!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with a local group 'Upple' since 2007. Every year, Upple held a summer kids camp with local college students for around 30 kids in age from 7 to 12 in Fukuoka. This kids camp is a great opportunity for children not only to enjoy nature, foster their independence and group cooperativeness but also experiencing cross-cultural learning with international volunteers. Volunteers need to prepare for spending 24 hours with children for this period except for a few days off.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/18-121510706 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 9 vols. from 6 countries were well integrated into the activities.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will live together, supporting activities in nature and sharing your culture with children. Volunteers will activate the children's independence and creativity by letting them take care of themselves as far as possible and letting them plan for activity, so volunteers will need to respect their ideas!								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in a shared room of community center. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Please bring your sleeping bag.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of good ways of interaction with kids.								
6. Other activities	Cultural exchange parties with local college students, etc.								
7. Location	Kitakyushu city, it is located in the northern part of Fukuoka prefecture.								
8. Terminal	The closest International airport is Fukuoka. From Fukuoka to the meeting point, it takes 3 hours by express train. You need to arrive at Fukuoka airport by 10:00AM on the first day and can leave there after 15:00 on the last day.								
9. Requirement	Volunteers should love children. Responsibility, group cooperativeness and high motivation to work with children are necessary! Some Japanese language skill (beginner's level or more) and Motivation letter is required.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English and some Japanese								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-0815A	Hoshino	Fukuoka	Japan	08/15	08/30	ENVI, CULT	13	18	99
1. Summary	Working in the forest of a beautiful village! You can also fully enjoy richness of nature and the sky filled with stars at night.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with a local group formed for this project since 1999. Hoshino village has received the first prize at the national contests for visibility of beautiful stars in the sky and terraced paddy fields. In spite of the town's natural heritage, depopulation, especially of youth, is a serious problem here similarly with many other parts of the country side in Japan. This project aims to activate village by helping forest conservation and organizing cultural exchange events with locals and international vols. Last year local host start international workcamp for 20 years. At that time, Local host's son was baby, but now, he also join this workcamp as one of coordinator. He want to continue this workcamp like his father. Workcamp sprits continue to next generation.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/e2-67954554 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 12 vols. from 5 countries did a good job!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will work in the forests for helping maintenance by cutting underbrush with instruction by the local Forestry Cooperative. Volunteers will also do some various work needed in the community such as cleaning activity, cutting glass in public institutions. Organizing cultural event with locals is also one of the important roles of volunteers.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in a shared room of community center. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Volunteers need to bring own sleeping bag (and mattress if they want). Volunteers need to enjoy staying in a simply basic accommodation.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of conservation work in a forest.								
6. Other activities	Star watching, hot spring, cultural learning about Japanese tea, and so on. Volunteers can also enjoy cooking Japanese traditional food with local people.								
7. Location	Hoshino village is a small but beautiful place surrounded by mountains, about 50 km southeast of Fukuoka. It is famous for production of tea leaves named 'Hoshino-cha' and beauty of starry sky.								
8. Terminal	The closest International airport is Fukuoka. From Fukuoka to the meeting point, it takes about 2 hours by express train. You need to arrive at Fukuoka airport by 10:00AM on the first day and can leave there after 17:00 on the last day.								
9. Requirement	Interest in preservation of forest is required. Volunteers need to enjoy simple lifestyle!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0816F	Hirata	Shimane	Japan	08/16	08/24	KIDS, ENVI	8	18	99
1. Summary	Organizing nonformal International class for kids and help cleaning local shrine and temple!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with local group for International workcamp in Hirata since 2001. Hirata town is depopulated area in Izumo city and they don't have much chance to have an international interact, which is important for kids growth. Also, the number of people who maintain the environment is getting decreasing. Through this workcamp they hope that volunteer can activate local people and community.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Sharing a private bath each other in a small community which is one of the traditional custom in Japan. The number of local people who invite volunteers for sharing a bath is increasing and enjoy communicating with each other, exchanging own culture. Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/17-82095353 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 10 vols. from 4 countries joined.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will have private school for elementary school kids for and organize international exchange classes. Also, volunteers will clean local shrine or temple and do weeding in tea farm if local people need it. Also planning international exchange day and invite local people to interact.								
4. Accommodation	Local community center. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is very simple shower.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of good ways of interaction with kids.								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties, experiencing Japanese culture, home staying, etc.								
7. Location	Hirata town, Izumo city, About 250 km north west of Osaka. Near the Sea of Japan								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Shimane, it takes 6.5 hours by highway bus and train. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts. Hiroshima airport is also available by take a flight from Kansai airport, it takes about 4 hours to the meeting point by train and bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 16th and can leave there after 13:00 on 24th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude to communicate with kids.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-0816G	Kamojima 2	Tokushima	Japan	08/16	08/25	KIDS	6	18	99
1. Summary	Planning and preparing for the summer festival at Kamojima jido-kan with kids!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with the local organization since 2019. Tokushima, where the longest river; Yoshino river in Shikoku island flows. The river used to flood often and make rich soil a long time ago but now it flows calmly. Kamojima children center (Kamojima Jido-kan) is located in Yoshinogawa city named after Yoshino river. The children center is where local children from 0 to 18 years old enjoy learning together and they can spend time for free. We would like to give children a various experiences regardless of their financial situations. We have children with a wide range of ages, we support them to help each other regardless of ages or experiences in order to grow up. We hope more people to get to know about us, Kamojima Jido-kan!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: It's one of the busiest season for the children center during summer vacation. Previous volunteers supported the staff of it, organized the summer festival well as a first volunteers here. Some local kids remembered their name and enjoyed communicating with them. in 2019, 5 vols. from 3 countries worked well!</p>								
3. Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Organize the summer festival at Kamojima children center with children. 2. Experience the culture of Kamojima through dancing Kamojima Awa Odori. 								
4. Accommodation	Home staying at local house. All meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is NOT necessary.								
5. Study theme	<p>Help children learning and gaining their experiences through teamwork.</p> <p>Experience international exchange while working with children.</p>								
6. Other activities	Welcome party by locals								
7. Location	Kamojima, Yoshinogawa-city, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	<p>The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 16th and can leave there after 13:00 on 25th. Volunteers need to take a local train from the meeting point to the campsite, it'll take 1 hour.</p>								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude, a willingness to work hard and communicate with Japanese local people, have fun with kids! Motivation letter is needed.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Video introducing kamojima jido-kan https://youtu.be/zhP47N8d9fc								
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NICE-20-0818A	Ino	Shimane	Japan	08/18	08/24	SOCI, KIDS	10	18	99
1. Summary	Activating rural community by organizing kids camp or visiting elderly facility, and maintaining the mountain!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 3 (Good Health and Wellbeing) and SDGs 4 (Quality Education), organized together with local community center in Ino area. Ino area is remoted area in Shimane and faces the problem of depopulation. Local group is trying to reactivate this area by inviting people from another area of Japan and foreign countries. Especially kids here don't have enough experience of international interests, which local group think it's important for kids' growth. And also, local group is trying to turn mountain area to place where people can have a fun each other by cutting trees as a maintenance. And create opportunity of communicating with local elderly people to encourage them by inviting volunteers to elderly facility and playing games.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: The number of families who join in kids camp which is organized by volunteers is increasing and local kids are looking forward to meeting volunteers every year. Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/18-121518725 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 10 vols. from 4 countries joined well.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will organize some camp program which means staying at local elementary school overnight for kids and their parents to provide an opportunity having international interests. And they will do some various kind of works to maintain the nature of forest and mountain. For example, cutting down trees and grass, lopping off dead branches. And also, they will visit local elderly facility to communicate and play game with elderly people who live there.								
4. Accommodation	Local house. Local people might prepare beds for you, but you are recommended to bring your own sleeping bag in case. All meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of good ways of interaction with kids.								
6. Other activities	Izumo shrine, cultural exchange								
7. Location	Ino area, Izumo city in Shimane prefecture								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Shimane, it takes 6.5 hours by highway bus and train. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts. Hiroshima airport is also available by take a flight from Kansai airport, it takes about 4 hours to the meeting point by train and bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 18th and can leave there after 13:00 on 24th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude to communicate with kids, love nature.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0820A	Yamakoshi	Niigata	Japan	08/20	08/26	AGRI	5	18	99
1. Summary	Protecting native green pepper's seeds in the beautiful mountain village!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), organized together just first time with "Yamakoshi Jumin Kaigi", founded by local people. Yamakoshi village have 1000 years of history. Here is famous for "Nishiki-Koi", Colored Carp, and traditional bull fighting. Also, there are beautiful rice field which like as stairs on the slopes of mountains. Ancient discovered this place and created through the enormous efforts of the predecessors. On 2004, Great Chuetsu Earthquake attacked this area. All people should evacuated from Yamakoshi village and could return three years and half later. They hope to revival their village, but depopulation and aging problem is also serious here.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: They expect to create nice impact to protect their original culture for the next generation with international volunteer!</p>								
3. Work	Mainly work is Agriculture. 'Kagura Nanban' is a native variety in the Yamakoshi area and very unique spices .For protect that original seed, we maintain the field, digging, weeding and picking. And Study part like as joining the cooking class. We may possibly also support to communicate with kids/local people and do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	The log house in the village. There are small kitchen, toilet and shower room. Please bring sleeping bag! Volunteers prepare the meals by themselves. Wi-Fi is not available.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers have time for discussion about "Disaster prevention, regional revitalization and traditional vegetables".								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, trekking etc.								
7. Location	Campsite is very small village located in middle part of Niigata prefecture. There are rice fields, fish pond and beautiful nature. (https://goo.gl/maps/jwtahYqBQHMJZwdo6)								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Niigata, but only domestic line. The closest International airport is Tokyo (Haneda/Narita). It takes 3 hours by express train. 5 hours by night bus (you need to arrive by 19th Aug. afternoon/ can leave campsite after 26th noon.)								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work hard and seriously and enjoy simple countryside life. Need idea for local revitalization. Speaking Japanese language is welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	http://yamakoshi.org/ , https://yamakoshi.place/en/								
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NICE-20-0822D	Wazuka	Kyoto	Japan	08/22	09/05	AGRI, CULT	14	18	99
1. Summary	Help the local green tea brand "Wazuka tea" with the energies from all over the world!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with a Non-profit organization for the study of producing organic Japanese tea since 2001. There are some farmers who produce organic tea in Wazuka town. The situation of organic farming in Japan is still very challenging so that the help from volunteers is important. The brand of the tea in Wazuka is getting famous and the farmers hope that Wazuka tea will make this rural area famous enough to invite tourists. Volunteers will also learn about the history of tea in Japan!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 15 vols. from 8 countries finished removing unnecessary grasses at the tea park and at elementary school. One of Japanese girl made great presentation at the IVS contest of NICE and got the best prize. So many Japanese and international vols. love this place and keep coming back, several of them became professional farmers or married with the local farmer and are living there now!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will help tea farmers to take care of organic farms. Weeding is one of the most important and significant works. We may also organize one day event in Wazuka for cultural exchange such as cooking and sharing international meals, playing games, and music, etc. The event will be a chance to interact with local people and make them open-minded to international relationship.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay public center. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of tea farming and also tea processing.								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties, experiencing Japanese culture (especially tea), home stay, etc.								
7. Location	The most southern part of Kyoto prefecture, close to Nara prefecture.								
8. Terminal	Kansai international airport (KIX-Osaka). From Osaka city to the meeting point, it takes 1 hour by train. You need to arrive at KIX by 10:00 on the 1st day and can leave the airport after 17:00 on the last day. From Tokyo to Osaka, 3 hours by bullet train (Shinkansen) or 9 hours by night bus.								
9. Requirement	Interested in Japanese culture, positive attitude to work outside in very hot weather.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0822E	Omuta	Fukuoka	Japan	08/22	09/05	KIDS, SOC	10	18	99
1. Summary	Let's interact with local people at a disabled facility and a nursery, and learn about animal friendly initiative in Omuta.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 10 (Reduced Inequalities). This local host has held weekend workcamps and short term workcamps for satoyama conservation for more than 10 years. This time, themes and work content will be changed, volunteers will interact with children and local residents at nursery and disabled facility. Omuta City aims to make "welfare town" where children with disabilities and people with dementia can live as they are. For that, child development centers, nursery, welfare facilities has cooperated with local communities, schools and local government. In addition, Omuta Zoo has been featured in Japanese movie "Life Sketch" as "the most animal-friendly zoo in Japan". They has created a town that is friendly to children and the elderly and friendly to animals.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: They expect to have great impact on children!</p>								
3. Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Interaction with children and local volunteers in a facility for children with disabilities 2. Interacting with children and volunteers at a nursery 3. Learn about animal-friendly initiative such as environmental enrichment 								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in a local community center. Sleeping bag is needed. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Simple toilet. Bath is a public bath around there.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of how to create "welfare town" in Omuta. Experience international exchange while working with children and handicapped.								
6. Other activities	Tour of Miike Coal Mine facilities, Omuta City Zoo and Miike Carta Memorial Hall, and visit historical shrines and temples, and experience hiking festivals, etc.								
7. Location	It is located Omuta city (the southernmost city) in Fukuoka prefecture. The city flourished in the coal chemical industry, but now they focuce on the environmental recycling industry.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Fukuoka. From Fukuoka airport to Omuta city, it takes 1.5 hours by bus. Volunteers need to arrive at Fukuoka airport by the morning of the first day and can leave the project site around the lunch of the last day.								
9. Requirement	Interest to "'welfare town' and to exchange with people.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								

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NICE-20-0823A	Kamakura	Kanagawa	Japan	08/23	08/31	KIDS, SOCI	6	18	99
1. Summary	Help to prepare and run the summer festival of the children Home in Kamakura which was a capital city of Japan in the 13th-14th centuries. Nice beach is also near.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Happy Kids Team (HKT) in NICE and Kamakura Children Home (KCH) since 2004. HKT was started in 2004 since child abuse was getting more serious (5,000 cases were reported in 1997 and 159,850 cases were done in 2018). KCH accommodates 80 children aged 2-18, who lives in the smaller units of 10 children. They cannot live with their families by various reasons, but many cases are by abuse. But children there are very powerful and friendly to the volunteers and they are well integrated into the local community.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: The workcamps have been creating great impact to empower their hopes and confidence, to grow friendship and personality and to support the staff members. In 2019, 5 vols. from 3 countries had a great time with the children and staff and made an important role to prepare and run their summer festival! Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/ss-82084539 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 5 vols. from 3 countries did a good job!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will work in KCH mainly to prepare/ run/ clean up their bon dance festival on Aug. 25 especially constructing the stage (where Volunteers and others will show performance during the festival) and running the shops. Volunteers will also do some other things like playing with the children in the playground, a dinner with a few elder children, etc.								
4. Accommodation	Possibly, a room in the residential building for staff members of KCH. Meals (besides lunch) will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Child abuse situation and activities in each country and global cooperation								
6. Other activities	Excursion on a free day (e.g., Yokohama), walking around Kamakura city in a free time (beach, shrines), party with KCH staff (that may cost around 3,500 JPY), etc.								
7. Location	30 km from Yokohama. Kamakura is an old capital city of Japan in the 13th-15th centuries and popular tourism spot with a lot of attractions like old temples, green hills and a beach.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Tokyo. From Tokyo to the meeting point near the project, it takes 60 min by slow train. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita or Haneda) by 11:00 on Aug. 23 and can leave there after 17:00 on Aug. 31.)								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work with the children with special background. Similar type of experience is welcome! Motivation letter is needed! Vols. need to be ready that the main work will be construction and playing with the kids.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-0823B	Nishiwaga	Iwate	Japan	08/23	09/01	AGRI, ENVI, ELDE	8	18	99
1. Summary	Let's be of help for the local elderly farmers in a beautiful country side in Japan! After working, you can also enjoy a relaxing time in natural hot spring.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Ono Agriculture Union in Nishiwaga (OAUN), since 2014. Nishiwaga is a rural town surrounded by beautiful nature such as forests and lake. On the other side, it faces serious aging society and depopulation, and over 45% of villagers are 65 years or older. More and more farmers have retired, and many farmers suffer from a shortage of successors. OAUN has tried to revive deserted cultivated lands, organized some projects for interaction between urban and rural areas to activate the community. In 2017, the project for biotope development newly started to promote sustainable organic farming. From few years ago, OAUN started to accept some company group through NICE. The company choose this project site, because of hospitality of OAUN. They have really warm heart and welcome to volunteers.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2019-ep4 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy pictures!). In 2019, 7 vols. from 4 countries did a good job!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly work on 1) making a biotope and 2) helping elderly local farmers by cutting grass or harvesting. Volunteers may also 3) work in a facility for people with disabilities. The schedule of work can be changed due to weather condition, so please be flexible! Volunteers will ride a bicycle between accommodation and working place.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in shared room in an old house (newly-renovated). Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is NOT necessary.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of history and culture of Nishiwaga and have time for sharing ideas how to activate the depopulated area.								
6. Other activities	Hot spring is available. Volunteers can also join for cultural exchange parties with locals as well as activity with nursery school kids.								
7. Location	Nishiwaga town, center of Tohoku area (north part of Japan), and located in border between Iwate and Akita prefecture. It surrounded by beautiful mountains, and famous for hot spring (there is one even in a train station)!								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Tokyo (Narita/Haneda). To the meeting point (Hot Yuda sta.) in Iwate, it takes 5 hours by bullet train or 9 hours by night bus. You must arrive at Narita/Haneda by 19:00PM on 22nd Aug. and can leave the airport after 09:00 A.M. on 2nd Sep.								
9. Requirement	Interest in community development, cultural exchange with a local community, and agriculture								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								



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NICE-20-0826A	Yunodake 2	Fukushima	Japan	08/26	09/04	ENVI	8	18	99
1. Summary	Let's enjoy rich nature in Iwaki! Maintain forest around Mt. Yunodake area!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Iwaki no Mori ni Shitashimukai (IMS) since 2016. IMS started on October 3, 2001, at Mt. Yunodake in Iwaki city. IMS is an NPO that maintaining forests and organizing activities there for kids. They aim to revive local woods by the hand of citizens, and they hope the forests are used by citizens safely and freely. There are 4 groups in IMS, such as maintaining forests group, agriculture group, wood handicraft group, planning for kids group, and volunteers join there works during the workcamp. Also, volunteers infuse with energy by working with IMS, which faces the aging of the members.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 4 vols. from 3 countries contributed nicely to what IMS can hardly do in their daily activities such as creating a playing place for the children, transplanting cedar trees, making fences, etc.</p>								
3. Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maintain abandoned chestnut forest. 2. Maintain footpath we call Yunodake nature walking course. IMS organizes the nature tour and nature there. 								
4. Accommodation	A facility which it used to be training center for forestry workers. Shared room by gender. Meal is cooked by volunteer by turn. All basic facilities are provided.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of nature, maintaining forests and agriculture. Bring some info. about environmental situation in your country.								
6. Other activities	Communicating with member of IMS and local university students. Wood handcraft.								
7. Location	It is located Iwaki city (south part and near shore) in Fukushima pref. Iwaki-city is most huge land and highest population number in Fukushima.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Tokyo (Narita/Haneda). From Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 3 hours by bus. Volunteers need to arrive at Narita/Haneda airport by the morning of the first day and can leave the project site around the lunch of the last day.								
9. Requirement	Interest to protect nature and to exchange with people.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Website of IMS: http://iwaki-mori.jimdo.com/ (only Japanese)								
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NICE-20-0826B	Shintoku	Hokkaido	Japan	08/26	09/08	AGRI, ENVI, CONS	8	18	99
1. Summary	Organic farming in the wonderful community with challenged people in beautiful nature. They have got the best prize of mountain cheese contest in the world!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Kyodo Gakusha since 1998, a cooperative community where people with various backgrounds such as mentally disadvantaged, people who are tired of city life, who wants to learn farming, just want to live in the nature, etc. They have 5 communities in Tokyo, Nagano and Hokkaido and grow animals and vegetables in ecological, organic way with utilizing bacterium and charcoal. Shintoku farm has 60 ha of land and 60 inhabitants including kids. Their cheese got the 1st prize in the global contest!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: The workcamps have greatly shared the spirit of the community and also do some that is hardly done by their daily work such as construction of sheep farm, irrigation ditch, etc. In 2019, 7 vols. from 5 countries helped to harvest the vegetables, run the cafe, etc. and had a wonderful exchange in the school visit. Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/n0-68540773 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will 1) join the farm work (weeding and harvest in the vegetable, corn and Japanese noodle fields) and other community work especially cooking, 2) do some work with the supervision of the specialists (last year, it was maintenance of pasture) and possibly 3) help to prepare/ run the harvest festival.								
4. Accommodation	The community (female and male are separated). Meals will be cooked by volunteers together with the community people by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Similar types of communities in each country and networking (Social farms)								
6. Other activities	School visit, joining a summer festival (tugs of war), exchange and birthday parties, lecture and discussion with the community leader who has very big visions, etc.								
7. Location	Shintoku town is an agricultural country side with big scale of nature and farms, at the foot of "Mt. Milk" and located in the center of Hokkaido island, near Obihiro and 120 km east of Sapporo. -20 degree in winter and 20 in summer.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Sapporo. From Sapporo to the meeting point near the project, it takes 2 hours by express train. Volunteers need to arrive at Shin-Chitose airport by 11:00 on Aug. 26 and can leave there after 18:00 on Sep. 08.								
9. Requirement	Interest and motivation to work and live in this type of community. Respect to their life.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	They also recruit LMTVs.								
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NICE-20-0901A	Onuma 2	Hokkaido	Japan	09/01	09/13	ENVI, FEST	8	18	99
1. Summary	Revive the beautiful lake as 100 years ago through our small, but valuable step by forest maintenance and cleaning up! The place and food are so beautiful here:)								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Onuma Milestone 22, a local NGO made by President of Fishermen's Cooperative and Director of international exchange association since 2004. Though Onuma lake has been a popular tourism spot for a long time because of its beautiful scenery, it has been polluted by over use of agricultural chemicals in cattle farming and erosion from abandoned forests with alien trees. Volunteers will work and live together with the mid term workcampers (Jul. 21-Sep. 13) which vols are also recruited.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 5 MTVs and 13 STVs from 8 countries in 1 mid. and 2 short term workcamps worked together with the local people and made great contribution to cut glasses and make nursery pots in the forests, to remove the alien clay fish, to clean up the shores and to help organizing the festivals which were empowered! Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/n2-68394244 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will 1) work in the forest (removing some alien conifer trees that disturb growth of other plants and animals, maintain the foot paths, etc.), 2) clean up the shore of the lake and/ or remove clay fish, 3) help to prepare and run the shrine festival (carrying the portable shrine and eat/ drink a lot!) and 4) possibly promote to use eco sponges with which you can wash most of the dishes without using detergent.								
4. Accommodation	Rooms of the apartment. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary. By the kind offer from the rental shop, each volunteer can use a bicycle that is very convenient to explore the area! Wi-Fi is available at the visitor center nearby.								
5. Study theme	Lecture of environmental issue. Workshop to plan the 30 years plan of Onuma toward 2050								
6. Other activities	Excursion to Hakodate city, nature walk along the lake, exchange parties with local people								
7. Location	Onuma is located in Nanae town in the southern Hokkaido island, 30-60 min. distance by train from Hakodate city which is famous for the romantic view in the night, especially for sweet couples!								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Hakodate. Volunteers need to arrive at Narita airport by 06:00 or Haneda airport by 08:00 on Sep. 01 and can leave there after 18:00 on Sep. 13. They can also go through Sapporo (3 hours by express train) or by midnight bus & train from Tokyo.								
9. Requirement	Motivation to actively work for the protection of the forest and lake with local people!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-0901D	Kamiyama	Tokushima	Japan	09/01	09/20	AGRI, CULT	6	18	99
1. Summary	Supporting preserving the culture and agriculture in Kamiyama town, where the place of origin for "Sudachi" citrus!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), organized together with the local NPOs since 2019. "Sudachi" citrus is one of the local specialties in Tokushima pref. Kamiyama town produces 95% of sudachi citrus harvested throughout Japan. This town with 5300 people has aging and depopulation problems like other small communities in Tokushima. There are more fallow because of the shortage of successors for sudachi farmers. We would like you to think of clues to solve problems and ways to hand down the world best skills to the next generation through the experience at sudachi farms surrounded by beautiful nature, and understand the culture and history of Kamiyama.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 5 vols. from 3 countries did a good job! Some Japanese newspaper companies published the article that local young farmer who hosted volunteers mainly and local people paid attention to his activity and started discussing about accepting volunteers from all over the world and its impact to local community.</p>								
3. Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support harvesting and shipping "Sudachi" citrus at its season 2. Help spreading information on SNS to the world about sudachi citrus, such as the history and environment of its birth place in various languages 								
4. Accommodation	Home staying at local farmhouses or lodging facility. All meals will be cooked by volunteers by turn. Sleeping bag is not necessary.								
5. Study theme	Help shorthanded sudachi citrus farmers, Help spreading information on SNS about the history and culture of the place of origin for sudachi citrus								
6. Other activities	Welcome party by locals								
7. Location	Orono, Kamiyama, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. The local host will take volunteers from the meeting point to the campsite and it'll take about 2 hours. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 1st and can leave there after 13:00 on 20th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude, a willingness to work hard and communicate with local people!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Video introducing Kamiyama sudachi citrus and people there. https://youtu.be/pl_1t_qYU1Q								
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NICE-20-0902A	Shiwa	Iwate	Japan	09/02	09/10	AGRI, EDU	8	18	99
1. Summary	In peaceful and rich fields, international exchange and farming work!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with a local group of the local government staffs, farmers and elementary school principals since 2001. The group aims 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. We would like to empower the local community through the power of global volunteer. Through this workcamp, students can communicate with international volunteers, exchange culture each other.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 7 vols. from 3 countries did a good job! Children got very active to communicate with the vols. even though they didn't understand English well. Helping farms was meaningful also for the vols. to understand about agriculture.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will have some farm works like harvesting vegetables and pears while visiting local schools to provide international class for 9-14 years Kids. Volunteers have opportunities to show your culture, music, dances and games to Kids. Please bring a lot of ideas about songs, games and dance etc.								
4. Accommodation	Sports Center with bed. Meals will be provided from the facility.								
5. Study theme	Revitalize the isolated community suffering from depopulation with good practices in your country.								
6. Other activities	Exchange party, excursion, Homestay etc.								
7. Location	Center of Tohoku area (northern part of Japan). It is surrounded by beautiful mountains and river, is famous for fruits!								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Tokyo (Narita/Haneda). From Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 4 hours by train. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita/Haneda) by 7:00 AM on the first day and can leave the airport after 17:00 PM on the last day.								
9. Requirement	Responsibilities, group cooperativeness and high motivation are necessary. Volunteers have experienced the activity with kids are welcome! Respect for the local culture.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0903A	Tondabayashi	Osaka	Japan	09/03	09/17	ENVI	10	18	99
1. Summary	Maintain SATOYAMA forest to keep biodiversity and encourage sustainable life!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 15 (Life on Land), organized together with local NPOs, 'Association to protect nature in Tondabayashi' and 'Hamuro club' since 1999. 67% of land in Japan is covered with forest and 40% of them is human-made planted forest called SATOYAMA, where people used to receive the benefit to live such as food and resources. SATOYAMA needs to be maintained its biodiversity and to keep water adjustment function. Our ancestors had protected and utilized the forest in an ecological and sustainable way, which has been neglected by modernization. We try to revive it with global voluntary power!</p> <p>Most of the members of the local organization are aged 50-70 so they expect our participation of youth and foreign vols. to vitalize the activities both mentally and physically.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp; In 2019, some part of the forest was maintained by 7 vols from 4 countries and local people. Through the many kinds of activities such as tea ceremony, calligraphy and homestay, the strong and deep relationship between international volunteers and local people was created. Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/18-121519016 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	In the morning, volunteers will work in the forest to maintain. Cutting woods, peeling skins, cutting bamboos, sometimes chopping firewood. In the afternoon, volunteers will have activities such as discussion about environmental issues, bamboo craft, having a lecture about SATOYAMA.								
4. Accommodation	Apartment. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of conservation work in a forest.								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties, experiencing Japanese culture, home stay, etc.								
7. Location	Tikyani fudo, Tondabayashi city in Osaka. 60 km south of Osaka city								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Kansai (Osaka). To the meeting point, it will take about 1 hour by train. You need to arrive at Kansai airport by 10:00 on the 1st day and can leave the airport after 18:00 on the last day.								
9. Requirement	Interest in nature conservation. Adaptability to enjoy a simple lifestyle is needed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-0905A	Shinko	Nagano	Japan	09/05	09/19	EDU,ENVI	10	18	99
1. Summary	Let's help to run English speaking classes in the primary school of the depopulated area! Harvest sun flowers with the kids:) Enjoy healthy & tasty vegan!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Shinko Youth Committee since 2016. Shinko district is surrounded by the mountains and has serious ongoing depopulation and aging (53% are aged 65 or more and 4% are aged under 15). Committee tries to slow down it by organizing various activities such as firefly festival, etc.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Since 2017, we help to run some classes in the primary school that is in crisis to be closed down by the shortage of children, so we try to promote their global education as their new attraction as well as grow sun flowers in the abandon field with the school children to be used for cooking oil that sales also supported to organize the workcamps. In 2019, 6 vols. from 4 countries organized great exchange with the students, harvested in about 1,000 m2 of sun flower field and helped fruit farms.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will 1) harvest sunflowers with the students (age 6-12) in the abandon field to be utilized mainly as cooking oil, 2) help to run the English speaking classes in the elementary school as a part of new attractions of the school and 3) work in the farm such as wine grapes.								
4. Accommodation	Sharing house. Meals (you can enjoy local fresh vegetables and Gibier!) will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	What are attractions of Shinko?								
6. Other activities	Experience program to cook local dishes, exchange party, excursion on a free day, etc.								
7. Location	Shinko district has about 2,000 inhabitants and is located in the south west of Nagano city, in the north east of Nagano prefecture. The climate is colder than low land especially in the evening and morning. Rice and apples farming is the main industry.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Tokyo. From Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 3 hours by the bullet train or 5 hours by bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita or Haneda) by 08:00 on Sep. 05 and can leave there after 19:00 on Sep. 19.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work with kids and outside. Similar types of experience and Japanese speaking skill are welcome! Volunteers need to accept and enjoy vegan food. Motivation letter is needed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-0909C	Ozuchi 3	Ishikawa	Japan	09/09	09/22	KIDS,AGRI	7	16	99
1. Summary	Organizing Kids/Junior camp in the beautiful village. You can enjoy very rich nature and Japanese traditional culture with lovely Kids/students!								
2. Background	This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Shizentaiken Ozuchi Mura since 2013, founded by local people to keep the Japanese original landscape. There were 140 inhabitants with 20 houses in 1916, but now only 2 people live there! Still 10 houses remained and the area was designated as Nation's Preservation District for Groups of Historic Buildings. This group try to improve this depopulation situation by young voluntary power. Vols. are trying to 1) do agriculture, 2) maintain the forest path, 3) organize the event of culture exchange for local children and 4) exchange ideas for improvement regional development though workcamp. *Outcome of this workcamp: This village had become abandoned, but one of the former villagers was maintaining the terraced rice fields alone from his home in the town. But through the workcamps working together with him, he has gotten so empowered that he started living there again with his old mother since 2018! Please see the presentation made by the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2017e2 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)								
3. Work	Main work is organizing and preparing for "English kids camp". For example, playing international games, cooking international meals and speaking with children. From 6 to 18 years old children/students enjoy international days in the beautiful nature. Volunteer prepare though online for this program before coming here. We possibly also support agriculture and do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	Renovated house (Japanese traditional house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. You don't need to bring your sleeping bag. Volunteers prepare the meals by themselves. Wi-Fi is not available. There is a cat in this village.								
5. Study theme	Best practice to revive depopulated areas in each country and their networking.								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, trekking to the mountain and activity in the river etc.								
7. Location	The southwest part of Ishikawa prefecture. Ozuchi village is surrounded by mountains, so very isolated, but you can enjoy mountain life in the very beautiful/ traditional place. Charcoal making was main industry. (https://goo.gl/maps/kPUu666yx292)								
8. Terminal	Nearest Domestic terminal is "Komatsu". International airport is Osaka (Kansai) or Tokyo (Haneda/ Narita). From Osaka, 4 hours by express train. From Tokyo, 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by highway bus (For taking night bus, you need to arrive by 8th afternoon/ can leave there after 22th noon.)								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work hard, simple life in the isolated mountain area and respect to the local culture. *KIDS FRIENDLY mind is necessary!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village. Also, the basic knowledge of the Japanese language and local culture. From 18th to 22nd Sep., International Family camp member join together. (4 Families)								
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NICE-20-0910A	Kamimamakuchi	Ishikawa	Japan	09/10	09/21	AGRI,MANU	13	18	99
1. Summary	Painting the long fences, harvesting rice, enjoy local festival. You can make Kamimamakuchi village encourage by ART!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with "Kamimamakuchi village" since 2013, and they tried starting new project with volunteer. Depopulation (especially of youth) is a serious problem here similarly in many other country sides. This village have only 20 families and very few young people. It is difficult to keep traditional culture and community work, so we aim to help keeping this landscape/cultures and telling local village's attraction by young power!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Volunteer had painted fence about 1km! And organizing candle night festival, cultural party! Local people really welcome to coming the new people! Please see the long term goal of this project as "Local SDGs" at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2019-wp2-188758763 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!). In 2019, 9 vols. from 5 countries did a good job!</p>								
3. Work	Main work is (1) painting the fences, (2) harvesting rice by hands, (3) cutting brush and grasses for landscape preservation and (4) supporting the local events. We may possibly also support to event with kids/local people and do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	The community center in the village. There are clean kitchen and toilet. Volunteers take a shower in the kindly local people's houses. Please bring sleeping bag! Volunteers prepare the meals by themselves. Wi-Fi is not available.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers have time for discussion about "How to interchange and dispatch about Satoyama forest's enlivening".								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, trekking and hot spring etc.								
7. Location	Ishikawa prefecture is almost middle of Japan. Campsite is very small village located in South part of Ishikawa prefecture. There are rice fields, historical shrine, and beautiful nature. (https://goo.gl/maps/JBr8Py5WowS2)								
8. Terminal	Nearest Domestic airport is "Komatsu". The closest International airport is Osaka (Kansai). It takes 4 hours by express train. From Tokyo (Narita/Haneda), 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus(you need to arrive by 9th Sep. afternoon/ can leave campsite after 21st noon.)								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work hard and seriously and enjoy simple countryside life. Need idea for local revitalization. Speaking Japanese language is welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village. Also, the basic knowledge of the Japanese language and local culture.								
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NICE-20-0912D	Imajo 2	Fukui	Japan	09/12	09/18	AGRI	5	16	99
1. Summary	Construction of fence for protecting local Specialty products and maintain that fields!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Plus times, it is founded by local people to improve their community culture. In this area, there is depopulation problem especially young people. Local people hope to continue their special culture/products (ex. dried persimmon, beautiful forest, festival and so on) with young people. This group try to (1) revival the special product, (2) organizing local event, (3) promotion about this area with young voluntary power and new idea. Last volunteer stayed one month and helped make a lots of dried persimmon with local and maintain the Abandoned farmland.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: It is the first workcamp and we expect to empower and creating some ideas to their activities!</p>								
3. Work	The main work is (1) construction of fence for protecting persimmon's new tree from wild animals, super serious problem, (2) maintain the persimmon's field like as cutting grasses, (3) discussing with local people about NEW idea of dried persimmon for activation. And do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	Renovated house (traditional Japanese house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. No need a sleeping bag. Volunteers prepare meals by themselves. Wi-Fi is available basically. Some mobile are not available.								
5. Study theme	Revival of the abandon villages though the special product (Dried persimmon). Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village and traditional culture.								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, nature life, visit to local festival and hot spring etc.								
7. Location	The southwest part of Fukui prefecture. Minami-echizencho, Imajo area is countryside, so sometime feel isolated, but you can enjoy local life in the very beautiful/traditional place. Dried persimmon is main industry in this area. (https://goo.gl/maps/GWH5FojA6Zw)								
8. Terminal	The closest International airport is Osaka (Kansai). It takes 4 hours to the meeting point by express train. From Tokyo (Narita/Haneda), 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus (you need to arrive by 12th Sep. afternoon/ can leave campsite after 18th noon.)								
9. Requirement	Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. High motivation to work hard and simple mountain life in the isolated area, also respect to the local culture and way of the local organization.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	The website of local organization http://imajo39.com/								
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NICE-20-0918A	Oi 2	Tokushima	Japan	09/18	09/24	CULT, AGRI	6	18	99
1. Summary	Supporting a village next to Kakurin-ji temple with agriculture and revitalization of the community!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), organized together with the local group since 2019. This village has been welcoming "ohenro (pilgrims)" who visit 88 temples in Shikoku since long time ago. The pilgrims walk through this village before visiting "Kakurin-ji temple"; the 20th temple out of 88 temples of the Shikoku Ohenro Pilgrimage. However, there are problems which should be solved such as aging and depopulation of the community these days, and locals haven't been able to find solutions for those problems. On the other hand, since more and more people from overseas visit for the Shikoku Ohenro Pilgrimage locals are trying to find new ways for "omotenashi (hospitality)". We would like to have more ideas to preserve our village with a long history and think of new ideas for hosting pilgrims, and start out with what we can do now.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: As it was very first workcamp here last year, 6 vols. from 4 countries came into local community as a pioneer and tried to contribute for the local, the local host also enjoyed exchanging own culture. The local host wants to spread workcamp's attraction to the local community and decides to accept volunteers in this year.</p>								
3. Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support harvesting and shipping "Sudachi citrus" at its season 2. Support harvesting and shipping "Shikimi (Japanese star anise)" 3. Help making brochures or signs for pilgrims from overseas throughout the village 								
4. Accommodation	Home staying at local farmhouses. All meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is NOT necessary.								
5. Study theme	Finding ways for sustainability of a depopulated village, Pass down the "osettai" culture to the next generation, Helping senior citizens to host foreigners								
6. Other activities	Welcome party by locals, visiting Kakurin-ji temple.								
7. Location	Ōi-cho, Anan city, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. Volunteers need to take local train from the meeting point to the campsite about 2.5 hours. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 18th and can leave there after 13:00 on 24th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude, a willingness to work hard and communicate with local people!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Video about Kakurin-ji temple https://youtu.be/V2vX5Ik4ASM								
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NICE-20-0920A	Yumefukuro S2	Kumamoto	Japan	09/20	10/03	ENVI	6	18	99
1. Summary	Let's stop climate change through the carbon offset and bamboo charcoal and enjoy nice exchnage with local students and people!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with NAP (Nobel Apolication of Plant resources) since 1992 and since 2016, as a part of SCC (Stop Climate Change) projects initiated by NICE with NVDA (Asian network). NAP is a local NPO to recover natural ecosystem cycles. Minamata had experienced the terrible industrial pollution though it is completely safe and clean now. As well as many other parts of Japan, bamboo trees, originally brought from China by human being, are severely spreading and damaging the eco-system. Also, the beaches have a lot of rubbish, but when it's clean, there is a lot of sea food such as oysters and sea urchins. Rehabilitation of seaweed forests is done since a few years ago. Volunteers will work and live together with the mid term workcampers (Sep. 20-Dec. 06) which vols are also recruited. *Outcome of this workcamp: Workcamps have made various kinds of great impacts to create a forest on the reclaimed land, etc. Last year, 4 LMTVs from 4 countries and 6 STVs from 5 countries, together with local people, maintained 1ha of bamboo forest, made 541 kg of charcoal and reduced 1.1 ton of CO2 emission. Please see the long-term goal of this project as Local SDGs athttps://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/17-82084627 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly trim the bamboo trees that can increase the whole amount to fix carbon in the forest and make the bamboo charcoal to be used as fuel instead of oil as carbon offset project. Other work will include harvesting paper mulberry trees, citrus fruits, rice and helping to run marine environmental education for middle school students and ocean life investigation (incl. scuba diving!).								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers house (Volunteers will borrow the bathrooms of neighbors that creates nice exchange). Meals will be cooked by volunteers. Sleeping bag is needed! Moved by the bicycle.								
5. Study theme	Climate change, eco life, forests and future plan about Minamata. Bring some info.!								
6. Other activities	To join the local festival, exchange party, excursion, etc.								
7. Location	South west in Kyushu islands. People are cheerful and many of man like to drink sake!! If lucky, you could enjoy parties under cherry flowers!								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Kagoshima and there is LCC from Tokyo (Narita) by Jetstar and Osaka by Peach. From Kagoshima airport to the meeting point, it takes 2 hours by bus. You need to arrive at Kagoshima by 11:00, Tokyo by 07:00 and Osaka by 06:00 on Sep. 20 and can leave there after 20:00 on Oct. 03 from Kagoshima and mid night from Tokyo/ Osaka.								
9. Requirement	Be able to ride a bicycle. High interest in environmental issues and their activities, big motivation to work hard, open mind, cooperation with others. Any experience and skills of the environmental work, Carbon research and Crowd funding are welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	2-3 months volunteers of SCC (Stop Climate Change) are also welcomed! (09/20-12/06, 09/20-11/07, 10/25-12/06)								
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NICE-20-0922A	Tateya	Nagano	Japan	09/22	10/03	AGRI, MANU	6	18	99
1. Summary	Organic farming in the wonderful community with challenged people and beautiful nature. Feel and appreciate the values of food and life!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Kyodo Gakusha since 2015, a cooperative community where about people with various backgrounds such as mentally disadvantaged, people who are tired of city life, who wants to learn farming, just want to live in the nature, etc. They have 5 communities in Tokyo, Nagano and Hokkaido and grow animals and vegetables in ecological, organic way with utilizing bacterium and charcoal. Tateya Farm has 40 members and NICE started LMTV projects here since 2014. NICE also organizes workcamps and LMTV projects in Maki and Shintoku farms of Kyodo Gakusha.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 3 vols. from 2 countries greatly contributed to harvest rice which was difficult to finish by the time they needed without volunteers! There was also nice exchange between Community people and vols. through Yoga and Mindfulness. Please see the presentation of the camp leader for the IVS contest in Japan https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/e4-54764427 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will help their organic farm (harvesting/ threshing rice, planting vegetables, taking care of animals, etc.) and their house work especially cooking. Volunteers will also carry the things in the mountain to the Maki farm and harvest rice there. Be ready to work for quite a long time (05:30-18:00 with some brakes) and hard.								
4. Accommodation	Building for the volunteers and a few members, 5 min. walk from the farm. Meals will be cooked by volunteers together with the community people by turns. Sleeping bag is not necessary.								
5. Study theme	Similar type of communities in each country and their networking								
6. Other activities	Exchange program, Excursion on a free day (possibly to Hakuba, a famous tourism spot), etc.								
7. Location	Otari village is a small village located in the region of stunning natural beauty in the northern part of Nagano Prefecture, Japan. It is beautiful village near "Japanese Northern Alps".								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Tokyo. From Tokyo to the meeting point near the project, it takes 5 hours by express bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita or Haneda) by 06:00 on Sep. 22 and can leave there after 24:00 on Oct. 03.								
9. Requirement	Good Japanese language is not necessary, but still welcomed. Volunteers need to be physically strong and flexible to respect the way of the local host. Motivation letter is needed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-1004A	Miyoshi	Tokushima	Japan	10/04	10/10	AGRI	6	18	99
1. Summary	Protecting the native species of cereal at the region which is registered as Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), organized together with the local NPOs since 2019. In Miyoshi City, Iya area, many local region's original cereals have been made using steep slope land since long time ago. However, due to the declining birthrate and the aging of the population, 3 years ago, it was almost impossible for the region to keep growing original cereals. Therefore, local volunteers gathered to inherit cultivation technology from seniors. Union members are 12 people from in their 50s to 80s. Mainly, they work for cultivating of original cereals in the fields of their homes and communal fields. However, cultivation and harvesting of original cereals are on fields of steep slopes, where are difficult to mechanize and it is a time-consuming task for them. In order to protect the conservation of native species and the livelihood of Iya, the power of everyone is necessary.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 5 vols. from 4 countries did a good job! Local people gradually realize how important not only protecting the native species by themselves but also telling their action to people who are from another area to protect it to the next generation.</p>								
3. Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the harvesting of local region's original cereals and threshing work. • Maintenance of vegetables and mowing of villages area. 								
4. Accommodation	Home staying at local community house. All meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Finding ways for sustainability of a depopulated village, learning about special local area where it is registered as Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems.								
6. Other activities	Welcome party by locals.								
7. Location	Higashiiya, Miyoshi city, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. Volunteers need to take local train from the meeting point to the campsite about 2 hours. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 4th and can leave there after 13:00 on 10th.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude, a willingness to work hard and communicate with local people!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Video about campsite https://youtu.be/eZmWIPXZM0g								
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NICE-20-1007A	Misato	Shimane	Japan	10/07	10/20	FEST, ENVI	8	18	99
1. Summary	Supporting a local festival related to Shintoism to activate local people and to hand over traditions to the next generation!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with the local group, "executive committee of Light and Tradition festival" since 2011. Recently, aging and depopulation of the area is getting very serious as well as many other rural villages in Japan. They expect the workcamp to activate local traditional festivals related to Shintoism, which is Japanese traditional religion. This event is combined with 2 events called "Bamboo Lantern Festival" and "Gaku-uchi" which locals play Japanese drums and flute with walking around the village to wish for the productiveness of grain. Local people want us to know their traditional cultures to be succeeded to the next generation.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp; local people proposed to invite volunteers to their own house for staying as cultural exchange or joining in Japanese drum practice to touch local culture.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly prepare and join the local festival. Cut bamboos to make lanterns and some small tools to be used in the festival. Volunteers will also need to practice traditional music in every evening with local people to play and walk around the village at the festival. Volunteers will also organize a program in the elementary school to promoting both inter-cultural learning and also, the festival to the children.								
4. Accommodation	Local community center. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. There is a shower room.								
5. Study theme	You can get the knowledge about Japanese traditional festivals and customs.								
6. Other activities	Japanese Shinto music and dance, home staying, lecture about traditional cultures.								
7. Location	Misato-town is located in the middle of the Shimane prefecture, famous for Iwami silver mine as a world heritage. There is hot spa, some famous shrine as origin of Shintoism.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Shimane, it takes 6.5 hours by highway bus and train. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts. Hiroshima airport is also available by take a flight from Kansai airport, it takes about 4 hours to the meeting point by train and bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 7th and can leave there after 13:00 on 20th.								
9. Requirement	Interested in Japanese old culture, positive attitude to communication with local people								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-1014A	Maki 2	Nagano	Japan	10/14	10/25	AGRI, MANU	8	18	99
1. Summary	Organic farming and nature life in the beautiful and traditional mountain communities in Japan. No road for cars, the only way to reach there is by walk for 1.5 hours!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Kyodo Gakusha since 2000, a cooperative community where about people with various backgrounds such as mentally disadvantaged, people who are tired of city life, who wants to learn farming, just want to live in the nature, etc. They have 5 communities in Tokyo, Nagano and Hokkaido and grow animals and vegetables in ecological, organic way with utilizing bacterium and charcoal. Maki Farm has about 10 members (including 2 families with small children!) and is in a very isolated area (not accessible for cars and we have to walk 4 km in the mountains), so once it became an abandon village in 1970s and revived by the community.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 7 vols. from 4 countries greatly contributed to their farming and caring animals that was difficult to finish by the time they needed without volunteers! There was also nice exchange between Community people and vols. Please see https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/e4-54764427 for the long-term goal of this project as Local SDGs at (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will help their organic farm by cutting thatch, threshing rice, selecting beans, taking care of goats and chicken and also carry the things from the town, renovate the trails, help their house works especially cooking, etc. Be ready to work for quite a long time (05:30-18:00 with some brakes) and hard.								
4. Accommodation	Building for the volunteers in the farm. Very beautiful cultural heritage! Meals will be cooked by volunteers together with the community people by turns. Sleeping bag is not necessary.								
5. Study theme	Similar type of communities in each country and their networking								
6. Other activities	Exchange program, Excursion on a free day (possibly to Hakuba, a famous tourism spot), etc.								
7. Location	Very isolated, but beautiful place near "Japanese Northern Alps". About 900 meters asl. There is something remained here that most of Japanese areas have lost in modernization.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is Tokyo. From Tokyo to the meeting point near the project, it takes 5 hours by express bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita or Haneda) by 04:00 on Oct. 14 and can leave there after 24:00 on Oct. 25.								
9. Requirement	Good Japanese language is not necessary, but still welcomed. Volunteers need to be physically strong and flexible to respect the way of the local host. Motivation letter is needed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	The popular documentary film for this place was broadcasted in 2015 at arayashiki-movie.jp/en/.								
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NICE-20-1025A	Yumefukuro S3	Kumamoto	Japan	10/25	11/07	ENVI	6	18	99
1. Summary	Let's stop climate change through the carbon offset and bamboo charcoal and enjoy nice exchnage with local students and people!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with NAP (Nobel Apolication of Plant resources) since 1992 and since 2016, as a part of SCC (Stop Climate Change) projects initiated by NICE with NVDA (Asian network). NAP is a local NPO to recover natural ecosystem cycles. Minamata had experienced the terrible industrial pollution though it is completely safe and clean now. As well as many other parts of Japan, bamboo trees, originally brought from China by human being, are severely spreading and damaging the eco-system. Also, the beaches have a lot of rubbish, but when it's clean, there is a lot of sea food such as oysters and sea urchins. Rehabilitation of seaweed forests is done since a few years ago. Volunteers will work and live together with the mid term workcampers (Sep. 20-Dec. 06) which vols are also recruited.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Workcamps have made various kinds of great impacts to create a forest on the reclaimed land, etc. Last year, 4 LMTVs from 4 countries and 6 STVs from 5 countries, together with local people, maintained 1ha of bamboo forest, made 541 kg of charcoal and reduced 1.1 ton of CO2 emission. Please see the long-term goal of this project as Local SDGs athttps://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/17-82084627 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly trim the bamboo trees that can increase the whole amount to fix carbon in the forest and make the bamboo charcoal to be used as fuel instead of oil as carbon offset project. Other work will include practicing the traditional dance and joining the local festival, harvesting paper mulberry trees, citrus fruits, rice and helping to run marine environmental education for middle school students.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers house (Volunteers will borrow the bathrooms of neighbors that creates nice exchange). Cooked by volunteers. Sleeping bag is needed! Moved by the bicycle.								
5. Study theme	Climate change, eco life, forests and future plan about Minamata. Bring some info.!								
6. Other activities	To join the local festival, exchange party, excursion, etc.								
7. Location	South west in Kyushu islands. People are cheerful and many of man like to drink sake!! If lucky, you could enjoy parties under cherry flowers!								
8. Terminal	The nearest airport is Kagoshima and there is LCC from Tokyo (Narita) by Jetstar and Osaka by Peach. From Kagoshima airport to the meeting point, it takes 2 hours by bus. You need to arrive at Kagoshima by 11:00, Tokyo by 07:00 and Osaka by 06:00 on Oct. 25 and can leave there after 20:00 on Nov. 07 from Kagoshima and mid night from Tokyo/ Osaka.								
9. Requirement	Be able to ride a bicycle. High interest in environmental issues and their activities, big motivation to work hard, open mind, cooperation with others. Any experience and skills of the environmental work, Carbon research and Crowd funding are welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	2-3 months volunteers of SCC (Stop Climate Change) are also welcomed! (09/20-12/06, 09/20-11/07, 10/25-12/06)								
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NICE-20-1109A	Muroto	Kochi	Japan	11/09	11/21	KID,CULT	10	18	99
1. Summary	Delivering English camp program for kids to enjoy international interact in the beautiful nature!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with National Muroto Youth Outdoor Learning Center since 2018. This center is an educational facility for kids and youths, for any educational program including, but not limited to, outdoor programs with nature, seminar, training, camping, or team building. English education has been a problem in Japan. And with the upcoming Olympic Games in 2020, Japanese government is attempting to improve the system for a better education. However, most Japanese are not able to speak English comfortably. One of the reasons is the lack of opportunity for communication with International people (especially in the countryside). This time, Muroto center and NICE are planning this camp to help provide children with the opportunity and environment to use English.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 10 vols. from 8 countries did a good job! Local prefectural office decided to increase the number of English camp during workcamp from 2 times to 3 times by assessing previous volunteer's contribution.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will support organizing 2 days "English camp" which local kids visit Youth center as a educational program during workcamp 3 times. Volunteers will be providing international games as a content of camp program. Please bring a lot of ideas about songs, games and dance for creating opportunity so that kids can enjoy touching international culture. In addition, Maintenance of facilities (Preparation of teaching materials / instruction for child camp, grass cutting, paint on the wall of the training room, cleaning in the hall, repair of the								
4. Accommodation	National Muroto Youth Outdoor Learning Center. Simple self-catering. Basic Foods are provided. Sharing room.								
5. Study theme	Getting to know the Kids, outdoor activities management.								
6. Other activities	On free day, you can enjoy Aquarium, Geopark, Dolphin center and so on.								
7. Location	Muroto city, Kochi pref. http://www.kochiap.co.jp/en/flight/								
8. Terminal	<p>The closest domestic airport and meeting point is Kochi airport . You can check flight info from here. http://www.kochiap.co.jp/en/flight/</p> <p>Volunteers need to arrive at the Kochi airport by 13:00 on 9th and can leave there after 13:00 on 21st.</p>								
9. Requirement	English speaking skills (everyday conversation level). (Japanese is also welcomed!). Strong motivation to the activities with the kids. Motivation letter is needed.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	You can check about Muroto national youth center here (only in Japanese sorry) ! http://muroto.niye.go.jp/								
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NICE-20-1218B	Kamojima 3	Tokushima	Japan	12/18	12/28	KIDS	6	18	99
1. Summary	Planning and preparing for Christmas events at Kamojima jido-kan with kids!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with the local organization since 2019. Tokushima, where the longest river; Yoshino river in Shikoku island flows. The river used to flood often and make rich soil a long time ago but now it flows calmly. Kamojima children center (Kamojima Jido-kan) is located in Yoshinogawa city named after Yoshino river. The children center is where local children from 0 to 18 years old enjoy learning together and they can spend time for free. We would like to give children a various experiences regardless of their financial situations. We have children with a wide range of ages, we support them to help each other regardless of ages or experiences in order to grow up. We hope more people to get to know about us, Kamojima Jido-kan!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp; some local junior high and high school students made a good relationship with previous volunteers who joined in the same workcamp in the last summer, and they were interested in volunteering and supported volunteers' work as a local volunteer.</p>								
3. Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Organize a Christmas party at Kamojima children center with children 2. Visit houses for children on December 24th with (as) Santa Claus! 3. Make rice cake, mochi pounding with children. 								
4. Accommodation	Home staying at local house. All meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is NOT necessary.								
5. Study theme	Help children learning and gaining their experiences through teamwork. Experience international exchange while working with children.								
6. Other activities	Welcome party by locals								
7. Location	Kamojima, Yoshinogawa-city, Tokushima pref.								
8. Terminal	The nearest int'l airport is Kansai (Osaka). From Osaka to the meeting point in Tokushima, it takes 3 hours by highway bus. Volunteers are recommended to arrive there one day before workcamp starts since the bus leaves early. Volunteers need to arrive at the meeting point by 13:00 on 18th and can leave there after 13:00 on 28th. Volunteers need to take a local train from the meeting point to the campsite, it'll take 1 hour.								
9. Requirement	Positive attitude, a willingness to work hard and communicate with Japanese local people, have fun with kids! Motivation letter is needed.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Video introducing kamojima jido-kan https://youtu.be/zhP47N8d9fc								
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NICE-20-0403A	Daman 6	Daman	Nepal	04/03	04/16	CONS, SOCI, EDU	15	18	99
NICE-20-0426A	Daman 7	Daman	Nepal	04/26	05/09	CONS, SOCI, EDU	15	18	99
NICE-20-0606A	Daman 8	Daman	Nepal	06/06	06/19	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-0701A	Daman 9	Daman	Nepal	07/01	07/14	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-0716A	Daman 10	Daman	Nepal	07/16	07/29	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-0801A	Daman 11	Daman	Nepal	08/01	08/14	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-0816D	Daman 12	Daman	Nepal	08/16	08/29	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-0901B	Daman 13	Daman	Nepal	09/01	09/14	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-0916A	Daman 14	Daman	Nepal	09/16	09/29	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-1006A	Daman 15	Daman	Nepal	10/06	10/20	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-1106A	Daman 16	Daman	Nepal	11/06	11/20	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-20-1206A	Daman 17	Daman	Nepal	12/06	12/20	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-21-0106A	Daman 1	Daman	Nepal	01/06	01/20	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-21-0201A	Daman 2	Daman	Nepal	02/01	02/14	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-21-0215A	Daman 3	Daman	Nepal	02/15	02/28	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-21-0301A	Daman 4	Daman	Nepal	03/01	03/14	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-21-0315A	Daman 5	Daman	Nepal	03/15	03/28	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-21-0403A	Daman 6	Daman	Nepal	04/03	04/16	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99
NICE-21-0429A	Daman 7	Daman	Nepal	04/29	05/12	RENO, SOCI	11	18	99

1. Summary

"Walk with Nepal" project after the huge earthquake in 2015 Apr. Let's reconstruct the community center in a small, mountain village! Application should be sent to FFN.

2. Background

This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities). FFN and NICE have been co-organizing special work camps of Walk with Nepal since 2015 Aug. The reconstruction of the community hall has been strongly needed and wishes by the local people for the multipurpose ways such as e-library, seminars and meetings of various people. 26,000 Euro have been collected by the local donation. They need 9,000 Euro more and your participation will help this by both physical work and donation from your fee. We also welcome any other contribution! One Japanese girl who joined 2017 Sep is collecting the donation and you are also very welcomed to do it for any amount!

*Outcome of this workcamp: Volunteers and local people have completed 75% of the building! They made walls of the hall and carried blocks last year. You can see the pictures of community hall of these days ! It's starting to take shape. And also vols interact with local people in last year workcamp . Voluteer said "We could spend great time for each other."



3. Work	Reconstructing the community center, health and sanitation education for children, playing and sporting together with children in the school and education of disaster prevention. If the fund to buy the materials is not collected sufficiently due to lack of the number of the vols., the main work will be education though some work related to the construction can be still sometimes done.
4. Accommodation	Home stay in the beautiful house with the toilet and hot water facilities, but the rooms are very simple. Vols. need to bring a sleeping bag. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns.
5. Study theme	Post disaster rehabilitation. Bring some info.!
6. Other activities	Short walk to local hilltop Patal, visiting neighboring villages and temples, walk to Markhu with Himalayan panorama, Historical Chitlang palace, to Chitwan national park (150 km from Palung)
7. Location	Daman is a small village situated at an altitude of 2,320 meters and 100 km southwest of Kathmandu. There are some possibilities to change the place to Daman depending on the local situation.
8. Terminal	Volunteer need to arrive at Kathmandu airport by 10:00 of the first days and can leave there from 19:00 on the last days. Volunteers will travel together to Daman by bus (it takes a bit more than 4 hours).
9. Requirement	Strong motivation to join rehabilitation. No smoking, no alcohol.
10. Participation fee	225 Euro for 2 weeks to be paid on your arrivals (Office registration: 55, Project donation: 50, Transportation: 20, Food and accommodation: 100). 155 EUR for 7 days.
11. Language	English (Nepali is also welcomed!)
12. Other	7 days participation (first week only!) is possible. MTVs (Jul. 01-Sep. 29 of 2020, Jul. 16-Aug. 29 of 2020, Jul. 16-Sep. 14 of 2020, Aug. 1-Sep. 14 of 2020, Jan.06-Mar.28 of 2021, Feb.15-Mar.14 of 2021, Feb.15-Mar.28 of 2021) are also recruited. For more info. and applications, please contact with FFN: nifcnepal@gmail.com

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NICE-20-0426C	G. Mongolia	Buhug	Mongolia	04/26	05/09	ENVI	22	18	99
1. Summary	Planting trees in big nature of Mongolia! You can also visit gers of local people and feel their wild life:) Application should be sent to MCE.								
2. Background	This project is actively working for SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with MCE (Mongolian workCamps Exchange) since 2002. Before 1990, the forests were covered with 10% of land, but 7% today, caused by cutting trees without any controls and forest fire. There are increasing activities by some organizations to plant trees, but it takes a long time here to grow trees and the current and water level of river has been decreased. So, we should also join this movement and summer workcamps of MCE keep watering, so the forests have been grown quite well. As this project originally started with targeting Japanese people who has series of the national holidays in 04/29 and 05/04-06, be ready to have many Japanese joining partly!								
3. Work	We will plant trees in MCE orphanage project site by digging holes, planting trees and watering the plants. May is the best and only season to plant trees in Mongolia. We may also visit the orphanage, World Tanabata Action, plant vegetables in the orphanage farm, etc. depending on the situation.								
4. Accommodation	GER (Mongolian traditional tent) and Youth hostel. Very warm sleeping bag is needed! Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	The future plan of international workcamps in Mongolia and Greening Asia. Bring some info.!								
6. Other activities	Cultural exchange program, excursions, etc.								
7. Location	Buhug river, located 45km far from Ulaanbaatar. The temperature will be about 10-20 C, but be careful sometimes weather will be changed lot. Sunny, sometimes rainy and windy.								
8. Terminal	Ulaanbaatar (MCE will kindly pick volunteers up at the airport! You need to arrive by the end of Apr. 26th and can leave there after noon on May 9th.								
9. Requirement	To like planting work and simple nomadic life. Mongolian speakers are welcome!								
10. Participation fee	185 EUR to be paid on your arrivals. 5/8/11 days participants should pay 140/155/170 EUR.								
11. Language	English (Mongolian is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Application for international volunteers should be sent to MCE!! For more info. and applications, please contact with MCE: mce-mn@magicnet.mn 5/8/11 days participation is possible only in 05/02-05/06, 05/02-05/09 and 04/26-05/06. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 5//8/11 days.								
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NICE-20-0428A	Higu 3	Higurakgoda	Sri Lanka	04/28	05/11	ENVI, AGRI	12	18	99
1. Summary	Establishment of a plant nursery. Enjoy real essence of Sri Lankan rural life!								
2. Background	This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (since 2017 with this community). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. Project area is based on paddy farming. When there are no paddy fields works, most of farmers are working as unskilled labors. Project area is belonging to dry zone, so they experienced the harshness of the life. Very few people were moving to outside of the village and others stay around. Partner NGO has been working since 2002 in a various sector. Working with volunteers will make a kind of positive changes on their lives and way of their thinking, we expect.								
3. Work	In the 1st week, we will establish and maintain a plant nursery with youth by cleaning the land, making pots, planting seeds and seedlings, making composts, watering, etc. In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange with villagers and youth, 2. Activities with children and 3. Work and assist to the self-help group members' activities.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family near the nice paddy fields. Meals will be provided, but you need to help preparation and washing dishes. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is electricity and mobile phones are working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here and have to wash your clothes by hand. In the night, you can see lots of bright stars.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the community and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Higurakgoda. 256km from Colombo, suburb of Polonnaruwa, the second ancient kingdom in Sri Lanka and declared as a world heritage site. Many people depend on paddy farming and it is low population density area for Sri Lanka (122 people/ km2).								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Apr. 27th and can leave there after 22:00 on May 11th. 9 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	255/ 215/ 185 USD for 14/ 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	10 and 7 days participation is possible only in 04/28-05/07 and 04/28-05/04. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 10 or 7 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0515A	Higu 4	Higurakgoda	Sri Lanka	05/15	05/28	SOCI, MANU	12	18	99
1. Summary	Helping to make bags of the self-employed family whose father was victimized in 1989 by the inner war! Back to 1,100 years ago to explore the ancient civilization.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 1 (No Poverty), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (first year and third time in this place!). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life.</p> <p>GV4GF has recently met an impressive family whose father was killed by leftists' rebellions in 1989 and have been struggling against poverty. They are trying to stand up by their own feet. We are going to support the eldest of the family who is running a small scale bag making place rented from the government. Partner NGO has been working since 2002 in a various sector but this is the first time they are going to work with international volunteers.</p>								
3. Work	In the 1st week, we will work at the bag making place as our main activity. We have to help them to do their daily work. Making bags is time consuming work and they need human resources to achieve their targets. In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange with villagers and youth, 2. Activities with children and 3. Work and assist to the self-help group members' activities.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family near the nice paddy fields. Meals will be provided, but you need to help preparation and washing dishes. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is electricity and mobile phones are working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here and have to wash your clothes by hand. In the night, you can see lots of bright stars.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the family, Higu and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Higurakgoda. 256km from Colombo, suburb of Polonnaruwa, the second ancient kingdom in Sri Lanka and declared as a world heritage site. Many people depend on paddy farming and it is low population density area for Sri Lanka (122 people/ km2).								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of May 14th and can leave there after 22:00 of May 28th. 9 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	255/ 215/ 185 USD for 14/ 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	10 and 7 days participation is possible only in 05/15-05/24 and 05/15-05/21. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 10 or 7 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0603A	Deni 2	Deniyaya	Sri Lanka	06/03	06/16	AGRI	12	18	99
1. Summary	Working with women's group - Home gardening. Enjoy real essence of Sri Lankan rural life!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (since 2019 in this place!). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. Most of local people are less educated and youth possess less privilege. And South Indian Tamil community live here as a labor force to tea plantation. Most of the GOs and NGOs do not want to implement programs due to less facilities, damaged roads and unavailability of luxurious life. People are suffered by poverty, but there are actually rich natural resources to have better life, even though it is also degraded by the deforestation. They have no proper guidance to change the distinctive attitudes.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 9 international vols. joined in 3 short term workcamps and made great impact to interact with local youth and families and to change local's attitudes in a positive way</p>								
3. Work	In the 1st week, we will work at the home gardens with the women's group with local youth by cleaning the land, making beds, putting composts, planting seeds, etc. In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange with villagers and youth, 2. Activities with children and 3. Work and assist to the self-help group members' activities.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family near the nice paddy fields. Meals will be provided, but you need to help preparation and washing dishes. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is electricity and mobile phones are working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here and have to wash your clothes by hand. In the night, you can see lots of bright stars.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the community and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Deniyaya is 200 km from Colombo and 80 km from Galle with a lot of tea plantations close to Singharaga Rain Forest, the world heritage. Many English sign boards are remained due to the colonization by the UK in the past.								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Jun. 2nd and can leave there after 21:00 on Jun. 16th. 8 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	255/ 215/ 185 USD for 14/ 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	10 and 7 days participation is possible only in 06/03-06/12 and 06/03-06/09. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 10 or 7 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0615A	Higu 5	Higurakgoda	Sri Lanka	06/25	07/08	ENVI, AGRI	12	18	99
1. Summary	Establishment of a plant nursery. Enjoy real essence of Sri Lankan rural life!								
2. Background	This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (since 2017 with this community). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. Project area is based on paddy farming. When there are no paddy fields works, most of farmers are working as unskilled labors. Project area is belonging to dry zone, so they experienced the harshness of the life. Very few people were moving to outside of the village and others stay around. Partner NGO has been working since 2002 in a various sector. Working with volunteers will make a kind of positive changes on their lives and way of their thinking, we expect.								
3. Work	In the 1st week, we will establish and maintain a plant nursery with youth by cleaning the land, making pots, planting seeds and seedlings, making composts, watering, etc. In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange with villagers and youth, 2. Activities with children and 3. Work and assist to the self-help group members' activities.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family near the nice paddy fields. Meals will be provided, but you need to help preparation and washing dishes. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is electricity and mobile phones are working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here and have to wash your clothes by hand. In the night, you can see lots of bright stars.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the community and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Higurakgoda. 256km from Colombo, suburb of Polonnaruwa, the second ancient kingdom in Sri Lanka and declared as a world heritage site. Many people depend on paddy farming and it is low population density area for Sri Lanka (122 people/ km2).								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Jun. 24th and can leave there after 22:00 on Jul. 8th. 9 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	255/ 215/ 185 USD for 14/ 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	10 and 7 days participation is possible only in 06/25-07/04 and 06/25-07/01. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 10 or 7 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0713A	Kabi 1	Kabithigollewa	Sri Lanka	07/13	07/22	AGRI, SOCI	10	18	99
1. Summary	Sharing women group members' livelihood activities. Enjoy real essence of Sri Lankan rural life!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDGs 1 (No Poverty) and SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (for the first time in this place!). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. More than 90% of villagers depend on agriculture and since war period, males are working as village guarding security force or for army. In 1965, under the new rural development project, government relocated people from other part of country. Women doing their own activities to earn little more and help their bread winners. They are not exposed to outside world yet.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workshop: We aim to expand their knowledge and experiences and exchange the cultural activities with mainly targeting women group and young people because they are the people taking the country's development process in the future.</p>								
3. Work	In the first 5 days, we will work at the livelihood development activities organized by village women's society, either agriculture at their home gardens or small-scale manufacturing. In the next 5 days, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange programs with villagers including youth and 2. Activities with children.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family, there is electricity but mobile phones are only working in 2G and no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here. Because of toilet papers will block the drainage lines. You have to take water from the well. Wash your cloths by hand and have to hang outside for drying.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the community and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Very rural and traditional village located 267 km from Colombo and northern part of North Central province. During the war with Tamil terrorists, this was one of the most threatened areas. It had several bomb explosions and killed hundreds of innocent villagers, including children and women. We will stay 6.5 km from the village.								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Jul. 12th and can leave there after 22:00 on Jul. 22nd. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work with people, adapt/ respect to village life local culture and rules / cooperation and Unit								
10. Participation fee	215/ 185 USD for 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	7 days participation is possible only in 07/13-07/19. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 7 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0804B	Higu 6	Higurakgoda	Sri Lanka	08/04	08/17	SOCI, KIDS	17	18	99
1. Summary	Working at the children's home in the village of Sri Lanka! Back to 1,100 years ago to explore the ancient civilization.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (since 2017 with this community). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. This area has a lot of young marriages and separation. If village headman noticed any other threat to children such as family problems, separations and parents dead, he asks district courts to transfer them into the children home to an orphanage to minimized the threat. But during the school vacation, they are emotionally isolated and thinking about their homes, overthink and eventually get sadder and depressed.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 21 international vols. joined in 3 short term workcamps and made great impact to make positive changes on their lives and positive development of the way they thinking!</p>								
3. Work	<p>In the 1st week, we will do activities in the children home such as paintings, teach and sing songs, dancing, playing with them, sharing volunteers' life, country with children etc.</p> <p>In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange programs with villagers including youth. 2. Working with village families and 3. Assist self help group member's.</p>								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family, close to nice paddy fields. There is electricity and mobile phones are working. 3G/2G data connection is working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here that block the drainage lines. You have to wash your cloths by hand and have to hang outside for drying. At the night you can see lots of bright stars at the sky.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the community and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Polonnaruwa, Subrub of Higurakgoda, located at 256 km from Colombo, with a lot of legendary stories. It is a rural area with low facilities, but lot of kind and friendly people. Surrounding are lakes and paddy fields with fresh breeze, you can feel.								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Aug. 3rd and can leave there after 22:00 of Aug. 17th. 9 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	255/ 215/ 185 USD for 14/ 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	7/10 days participation is possible only in 08/04-08/10 and 08/04-08/13. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 7/10 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0809A	Vang Vieng 2	Vang Vieng	Laos	08/09	08/22	CONS, KIDS	20	18	99
1. Summary	Construct a new community center in a small village of Laos! The black big is running around and the food is so tasty and unique! Open to only Asian...								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Phoudindaeng Youth Center (PYC) since 2009. PYC was established by AVAN (network of individuals who has done voluntary service for one year in Japan) and KNCU to work for rural development in Van Vieng by running school bus and English classes, construction of the library and skill training. We aim that local youth can have sustainable life by their own responsibilities! PYC is run by Lao youth and the leader joined JAVS (Japan-ASEAN 3 months workcamp) in Japan in 2015!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the presentation of the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2018-k1 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will 1) construct a new community center in the Phonsung village where we have been working since last year, 2) do cultural exchange/ environmental education activities with local youth in the village and Phoudindaeng Youth Center and 3) do some other work needed in the School/ the Center.								
4. Accommodation	Phonsung Youth Center. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	The future plan of international workcamps in Laos and the youth center. Bring some info.!								
6. Other activities	Going to the Market, Basi Ceremony, Performance, Party, etc.								
7. Location	Agricultural village in Van Vieng district in the north part, surrounded by the river and mountains.								
8. Terminal	Vientaine. Volunteers need to arrive by 08:00 on the first day and can leave there after 18:00 on the last day. They can go to Van Vieng by the public bus that takes 4-5 hours, possibly together with other volunteers!								
9. Requirement	Only Asian (by the policy of the host organization)! High motivation to work and respect to the local culture and way of the local organization!								
10. Participation fee	300 USD (150 USD for 7 days) to be paid on your arrivals								
11. Language	English (Lao is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	4 each from Laos, Japan, Hong Kong, Taiwan and other Asia. 7 days participation is possible in 02/09-02/15 and 02/16-02/22. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 7 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0809F	Golden Life 3	Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia	08/09	08/22	SOCI, KIDS	12	18	50
1. Summary	Working in the nursing home to have a precious time with the elders.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Malaysian Organization of Volunteer Exchange (MOVE), since 2019 Aug. in this place. MOVE is a workcamp NGO founded in 2006, but stopped activities for some years and NICE restarted co-organizing since 2017!</p> <p>Bernice Home was found by a lady by the name of Bernice. She started this home for senior citizens who need quality home care services to seniors with limited mobility or dementia and hence social interaction. She started this home in 2000 and the second home in 2018. The founder belief "life shouldn't end when you are old, it should be full of happy memories regardless of the age. The founder wants to keep the seniors active and engaged through physical, mental and social activities, all in the comfort of their home.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will help in arranging extra activities for the senior citizens, such as art, craft, painting, gardening, storytelling, music and movement activities. Other than that volunteers could help the nursing care helpers to cook and take part in daily cleaning routines. Some of the days, bring the senior citizens for an evening walk if weather permits. Otherwise lots of, indoor activities could be conduct.								
4. Accommodation	Bernice Home. Three meals will be provided. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is open space with attach bathroom/toilet. Volunteers will use the space as their accommodation and sleep by using sleeping bag.								
5. Study theme	Situation of senior citizens and elderly home in each country. Local SDGs (2030 goals) of Bernice Home								
6. Other activities	Create a herb garden or vegetable garden for the elderly people. Visit around Kuala Lumpur city, and the cultural heritage of Malaysia, cultural exchange events.								
7. Location	The home is located in Jalan Ipoh, Kuala Lumpur. https://goo.gl/maps/84vfEaSMEaBL2b4x8								
8. Terminal	Kuala Lumpur - Volunteers will meet at the nearest train station and need to arrive at the airport by 14:00 on Aug. 9th (or 06:00 on Aug. 15th) and can leave there after the noon on Aus. 22nd (or 22:00 on Aug. 16th).								
9. Requirement	Bring along your expertise, such as singing, dancing, arts and craft and most important your caring heart to engage with these old people.								
10. Participation fee	200 MYR + 50 x days of participation, so 900 MYR (about 216 USD) for 14 days and 600 MYR for 8 days to be paid on your arrivals. 150 MYR less for repeaters of MOVE workcamps and those from less expensive countries.								
11. Language	English (Malay is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	8 days participation is possible only in 08/09-08/16 and 08/15-08/22. Please write the period to join on the form. Vols. might have 2 days trip on 08/15-08/16, so if 8 days vols. want to join it and the flight schedule does not fit, they can join from 08/14 or till 08/17. MTV in 08/08-09/20 doing the camp leader in Golden Life 3, PTF 2 and YCK 2, who has workcamp experience, is also needed!								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0816A	Wisma Harapan 2	Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia	08/16	08/29	MENT, KIDS	14	18	99
1. Summary	Let's create wonderful memories with special need children (mentally challenged) in their School and Training Centre!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Malaysian Organization of Volunteer Exchange (MOVE) since 2019 Feb. in this place. MOVE is a workcamp NGO founded in 2006, but stopped activities for some years and NICE restarted co-organizing since 2017!</p> <p>The Wisma Harapan School was established 50 years aiming to provide education and training to mentally challenged children. So that they will be helped to the fullest extent possible in reaching their maximum potential. They also try to provide a comprehensive service to children and adults with mentally challenged to improve their quality life. President of MOVE was working in the special school managed by the same organization where we had many successful workcamps in 2006-2009.</p>								
3. Work	We will mainly conduct some fun physical activities with the student of Wisma Harapan School. We also aim to teach simple basic Music and movement lesson for the students as well. These various activities are important to improve their situation and encourage fun learning among students.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in MOVE accommodation and got to Wisma Harapan by train every working day. Meal will be provided. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Situation of mentally challenged children and their home in each country. Local SDGs (2030 goals) of Wisma Harapan								
6. Other activities	Visitation around Kuala Lumpur city, and the cultural heritage of Malaysia, cultural exchange events.								
7. Location	The school is located at Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur. It is located in the city, so you sometimes can enjoy café, night market, etc. in the evening (but not till too late!).								
8. Terminal	Kuala Lumpur - Volunteers will meet at the nearest train station and need to arrive at the airport by 14:00 on Aug. 16th (or 06:00 on Aug. 22nd) and can leave there after the noon on Aug. 29th (or 22:00 on Aug. 23rd).								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work with the kids and to respect local culture/ way. Experience of similar type of service is welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	300 MYR + 50 x days of participation, so 1,000 MYR (about 241 USD) for 14 days and 700 MYR for 8 days to be paid on your arrivals. 150 MYR less for repeaters of MOVE workcamps and those from less expensive countries.								
11. Language	English (Malay is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	8 days participation is possible only in 08/16-08/23 and 08/22-08/29. Please write the period to join on the form. Vols. might have 2 days trip on 08/22-08/23, so if 8 days vols. want to join it and the flight schedule does not fit, they can join from 08/21 or till 08/24. MTV in 08/15-09/26 doing the camp leader in Wisma Harapan 2, Golden Life 4 and PTF 3, who has workcamp experience, is also needed!								
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NICE-20-0822A	PTF 2	Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia	08/22	09/04	REFU, EDU, KIDS	12	18	50
1. Summary	Let's renovate the grandfather's house for the orphans and other disadvantaged children!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Malaysian Organization of Volunteer Exchange (MOVE) for the first year in this place. MOVE is a workcamp NGO founded in 2006, but stopped activities for some years and NICE restarted co-organizing since 2017!</p> <p>The 2nd Chance Program (previously known as Back to school program) is conducted by PT Foundation to improve the quality of life and well-being of the urban low income people as well as HIV infected and affected people. It provides psycho-social academic and welfare support to such community (children) in Klang Valley and surrounding area. The academic component is carried out through two services, Sunday tutoring sessions and one-to-one academic mentoring.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly repair an old house. A poor grandfather lives with his 20 grandchildren. A few of his sons past away by HIV (none of grandchildren are HIV positive for your info.) and some abandoned the children. Grandfather is looking after his grand children. Some children lives in hostel and go back during only school holidays, some stays with him and few are mentally challenged. PT foundation and MOVE Malaysia would like to repair their broken house which in a very bad shape and condition to improve the living. We need volunteers to do simple construction work for this family.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in MOVE accommodation and got to PT Foundation by train every working day. Meal will be provided. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Situation of HIV infected and affected people in each country. Local SDGs (2030 goals) of PT Foundation								
6. Other activities	Visitation to the other community school around, local sports, visit around Kuala Lumpur city, and the cultural heritage of Malaysia, cultural exchange events.								
7. Location	The program center is located in Chow Kit, Kuala Lumpur.								
8. Terminal	Kuala Lumpur - Volunteers will meet at the nearest train station and need to arrive at the airport by 14:00 on Aug. 22nd (or 06:00 on Aug. 28th) and can leave there after the noon on Sep. 4th (or 22:00 on Aug. 29th).								
9. Requirement	Great positive energy to build and to show "working together spirit" in making a safe shelter for the poor. Please bring along your favorite cultural foods.								
10. Participation fee	300 MYR + 50 x days of participation, so 1,000 MYR (about 241 USD) for 14 days and 700 MYR for 8 days to be paid on your arrivals. 150 MYR less for repeaters of MOVE workcamps and those from less expensive countries.								
11. Language	English (Malay is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	8 days participation is possible only in 08/22-08/29 and 08/28-09/04. Please write the period to join on the form. Vols. might have 2 days trip on 08/28-08/29, so if 8 days vols. want to join it and the flight schedule does not fit, they can join from 08/27 or till 08/30. MTV in 08/08-09/20 doing the camp leader in Golden Life 3, PTF 2 and YCK 2, who has workcamp experience, is also needed!								
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NICE-20-0830A	Golden Life 4	Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia	08/30	09/12	SOCI, KIDS	12	18	50
1. Summary	Working in the nursing home to have a precious time with the elders.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Malaysian Organization of Volunteer Exchange (MOVE), since 2019 Aug. in this place. MOVE is a workcamp NGO founded in 2006, but stopped activities for some years and NICE restarted co-organizing since 2017!</p> <p>Bernice Home was found by a lady by the name of Bernice. She started this home for senior citizens who need quality home care services to seniors with limited mobility or dementia and hence social interaction. She started this home in 2000 and the second home in 2018. The founder belief "life shouldn't end when you are old, it should be full of happy memories regardless of the age. The founder wants to keep the seniors active and engaged through physical, mental and social activities, all in the comfort of their home.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will help in arranging extra activities for the senior citizens, such as art, craft, painting, gardening, storytelling, music and movement activities. Other than that volunteers could help the nursing care helpers to cook and take part in daily cleaning routines. Some of the days, bring the senior citizens for an evening walk if weather permits. Otherwise lots of, indoor activities could be conduct.								
4. Accommodation	Bernice Home. Three meals will be provided. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is open space with attach bathroom/toilet. Volunteers will use the space as their accommodation and sleep by using sleeping bag.								
5. Study theme	Situation of senior citizens and elders home in each country. Local SDGs (2030 goals) of Bernice Home								
6. Other activities	Create a herb garden or vegetable garden for the elderly people. Visit around Kuala Lumpur city, and the cultural heritage of Malaysia, cultural exchange events.								
7. Location	The home is located in Jalan Ipoh, Kuala Lumpur. https://goo.gl/maps/84vfEaSMEaBL2b4x8								
8. Terminal	Kuala Lumpur - Volunteers will meet at the nearest train station and need to arrive at the airport by 14:00 on Aug. 30th (or 06:00 on Sep. 5th) and can leave there after the noon on Sep. 12th (or 22:00 on Sep. 6th).								
9. Requirement	Bring along your expertise, such as singing, dancing, arts and craft and most important your caring heart to engage with these old people.								
10. Participation fee	200 MYR + 50 x days of participation, so 900 MYR (about 216 USD) for 14 days and 600 MYR for 8 days to be paid on your arrivals. 150 MYR less for repeaters of MOVE workcamps and those from less expensive countries.								
11. Language	English (Malay is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	8 days participation is possible only in 08/30-09/06 and 09/05-09/12. Please write the period to join on the form. Vols. might have 2 days trip on 09/05-09/06, so if 8 days vols. want to join it and the flight schedule does not fit, they can join from 09/04 or till 09/07. MTV in 08/15-09/26 doing the camp leader in Wisma Harapan 2, Golden Life 4 and PTF 3, who has workcamp experience, is also needed!								
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NICE-20-0906A	YCK 2	Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia	09/06	09/19	REFU, EDU, KIDS	17	18	50
1. Summary	The rare (only?) international workcamp in Asia working with refugees! Let's have a precious time with the children:)								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Malaysian Organization of Volunteer Exchange (MOVE) since 2018 in this place. MOVE is a workcamp NGO founded in 2006, but stopped activities for some years and NICE restarted co-organizing since 2017!</p> <p>Yayasan Chow Kit (YCK) is a non-profit organization that caters to the needs of children in and around Chow Kit. They run two drop-in centers in Chow Kit and one safe home for children who are in need of temporary guardianship. YCK operate in partnership with Ministry of Women and Child Welfare. YCK developed out of Nur Salam and was incorporated in 2011. The past workcamps since 2018 Sep. have been successful, so have decided to continue!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see the presentation of the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2019-n5 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will help in guiding student in studies, setting a better environment to enhance a better learning environment. Be ready to provide attentive care from 09:00 to 15:00 on Monday to Friday. It is also important to have nice exchange with several children sleeping in the school building! Some group activities will be arranged by the school and teachers.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in the school where several children and one staff will also stay together. Meal will be provided. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Situation of refugees and other disadvantaged children in each country. Local SDGs (2030 goals) of YCK								
6. Other activities	Visitation to the other community school around, local sports, visit around Kuala Lumpur city, and the cultural heritage of Malaysia, cultural exchange events.								
7. Location	The school is located in Chow Kit, Kuala Lumpur. It is located in the city, so you can sometimes enjoy café, night market, etc. in the evening (but not till too late!).								
8. Terminal	Kuala Lumpur - Volunteers will meet at the nearest train station and need to arrive at the airport by 14:00 on Sep. 6th (or 06:00 on Sep. 12th) and can leave there after the noon on Sep. 19th (or 22:00 on Sep. 13th).								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work with the kids and to respect local culture/ way. Experience of similar type of service is welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	200 MYR + 50 x days of participation, so 900 MYR (about 216 USD) for 14 days and 600 MYR for 8 days to be paid on your arrivals. 150 MYR less for repeaters of MOVE workcamps and those from less expensive countries.								
11. Language	English (Malay is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	<p>8 days participation is possible only in 09/06-09/13 and 09/12-09/19. Please write the period to join on the form. Vols. might have 2 days trip on 09/06-09/07, so if 8 days vols. want to join it and the flight schedule does not fit, they can join from 09/05 or till 09/08.</p> <p>MTV in 08/08-09/20 doing the camp leader in Golden Life 3, PTF 2 and YCK 2, who has workcamp experience, is also needed!</p> <p>The Local SDGs made by the project leader (background/ past actions/ future actions/ 2030 Goals); https://www.nice1.gr.jp/files/user/LS-YCK%2019-%EF%BC%93.pdf</p>								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0909A	Deni 3	Deniyaya	Sri Lanka	09/09	09/18	AGRI	12	18	99
1. Summary	Working with women's group - Home gardening. Enjoy real essence of Sri Lankan rural life!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (since 2019 in this place!). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. Most of local people are less educated and youth possess less privilege. And South Indian Tamil community live here as a labor force to tea plantation. Most of the GOs and NGOs do not want to implement programs due to less facilities, damaged roads and unavailability of luxurious life. People are suffered by poverty, but there are actually rich natural resources to have better life, even though it is also degraded by the deforestation. They have no proper guidance to change the distinctive attitudes.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 9 international vols. joined in 3 short term workcamps and made great impact to interact with local youth and families and to change local's attitudes in a positive way</p>								
3. Work	In the 1st week, we will work at the home gardens with the women's group with local youth by cleaning the land, making beds, putting composts, planting seeds, etc. In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange with villagers and youth, 2. Activities with children and 3. Work and assist to the self-help group members' activities.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family near the nice paddy fields. Meals will be provided, but you need to help preparation and washing dishes. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is electricity and mobile phones are working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here and have to wash your clothes by hand. In the night, you can see lots of bright stars.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the community and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Deniyaya is 200 km from Colombo and 80 km from Galle with a lot of tea plantations close to Singharaga Rain Forest, the world heritage. Many English sign boards are remained due to the colonization by the UK in the past.								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Sep. 8th and can leave there after 21:00 on Sep. 18th. 8 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work with people, some knowledge about agriculture (not compulsory, but welcomed), adapt/ respect to village life local culture and rules								
10. Participation fee	215/ 185 USD for 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	7 days participation is possible only in 09/09-09/15. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 7 days.								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-0912A	PTF 3	Kuala Lumpur	Malaysia	09/12	09/25	REFU, EDU, KIDS	12	18	50
1. Summary	Let's renovate the grandfather's house for the orphans and other disadvantaged children!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Malaysian Organization of Volunteer Exchange (MOVE) for the first year in this place. MOVE is a workcamp NGO founded in 2006, but stopped activities for some years and NICE restarted co-organizing since 2017!</p> <p>The 2nd Chance Program (previously known as Back to school program) is conducted by PT Foundation to improve the quality of life and well-being of the urban low income people as well as HIV infected and affected people. It provides psycho-social academic and welfare support to such community (children) in Klang Valley and surrounding area. The academic component is carried out through two services, Sunday tutoring sessions and one-to-one academic mentoring.</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will mainly repair an old house. A poor grandfather lives with his 20 grandchildren. A few of his sons past away by HIV (none of grandchildren are HIV positive for your info.) and some abandoned the children. Grandfather is looking after his grand children. Some children lives in hostel and go back during only school holidays, some stays with him and few are mentally challenged. PT foundation and MOVE Malaysia would like to repair their broken house which in a very bad shape and condition to improve the living. We need volunteers to do simple construction work for this family.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in MOVE accommodation and got to PT Foundation by train every working day. Meal will be provided. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Situation of HIV infected and affected people in each country. Local SDGs (2030 goals) of PT Foundation								
6. Other activities	Visitation to the other community school around, local sports, visit around Kuala Lumpur city, and the cultural heritage of Malaysia, cultural exchange events.								
7. Location	The program center is located in Chow Kit, Kuala Lumpur.								
8. Terminal	Kuala Lumpur - Volunteers will meet at the nearest train station and need to arrive at the airport by 14:00 on Sep. 12th (or 06:00 on Sep. 18th) and can leave there after the noon on Sep. 25th (or 22:00 on Sep. 19th).								
9. Requirement	Great positive energy to build and to show "working together spirit" in making a safe shelter for the poor. Please bring along your favorite cultural foods.								
10. Participation fee	300 MYR + 50 x days of participation, so 1,000 MYR (about 241 USD) for 14 days and 700 MYR for 8 days to be paid on your arrivals. 150 MYR less for repeaters of MOVE workcamps and those from less expensive countries.								
11. Language	English (Malay is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	8 days participation is possible only in 09/12-09/19 and 09/18-09/25. Please write the period to join on the form. Vols. might have 2 days trip on 09/18-09/19, so if 8 days vols. want to join it and the flight schedule does not fit, they can join from 09/17 or till 09/20. MTV in 08/15-09/26 doing the camp leader in Wisma Harapan 2, Golden Life 4 and PTF 3, who has workcamp experience, is also needed!								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-1002A	Higu 7	Higurakgoda	Sri Lanka	10/02	10/11	ENVI, AGRI	12	18	99
1. Summary	Establishment of a plant nursery. Enjoy real essence of Sri Lankan rural life!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDGs 15 (Life on Land), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (first time with the school!). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. This remote village was reestablished as a new settlement under the development plan introduced in 1956. Families came all parts of the country and are poor of all common facilities such as health, education, transport. Head master of the school got interested in the program with their Environmental Protection Unit to do tree plantation and establish a plant nursery as a basic activity in the school premises and cultural exchange programs with students.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: We expect to create new experience to students and their parents for making positive changes on their lives and community.</p>								
3. Work	In the 1st week, we will make nursery and plant trees in school premises with students. We will also assist their organizing cultural events at the school. In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Activities with village children 2. Assisting self help group member's activities where we will establish and maintain a plant nursery with youth by cleaning the land, making pots, planting seeds and seedlings, making composts, watering, etc.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family, close to nice paddy fields. There is electricity and mobile phones are working. 3G/2G data connection is working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here that block the drainage lines. You have to wash your cloths by hand and have to hang outside for drying. At the night you can see lots of bright stars at the sky.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the community and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Higurakgoda. 256km from Colombo, suburb of Polonnaruwa, the second ancient kingdom in Sri Lanka and declared as a world heritage site. Many people depend on paddy farming and it is low population density area for Sri Lanka (122 people/ km ²).								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Oct. 1st and can leave there after 22:00 on Oct. 11th. 9 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	215/ 185 USD for 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	7 days participation is possible only in 10/02-10/08. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 7 days.								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-1116A	Higu 8	Higurakgoda	Sri Lanka	11/16	11/25	SOCI, MANU	12	18	99
1. Summary	Helping to make bags of the self-employed family whose father was victimized in 1989 by the inner war! Back to 1,100 years ago to explore the ancient civilization.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 1 (No Poverty), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (first year in this place!). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. GV4GF has recently met an impressive family whose father was killed by leftists' rebellions in 1989 and have been struggling against poverty. They are trying to stand up by their own feet. We are going to support the eldest of the family who is running a small scale bag making place rented from the government. Partner NGO has been working since 2002 in a various sector but this is the first time they are going to work with international volunteers.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: We expect to appreciate his efforts and to encourage others to do some work that need to growing countries economy.</p>								
3. Work	In the 1st week, we will work at the bag making place as our main activity. We have to help them to do their daily work. Making bags is time consuming work and they need human resources to achieve their targets. In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange with villagers and youth, 2. Activities with children and 3. Work and assist to the self-help group members' activities.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family near the nice paddy fields. Meals will be provided, but you need to help preparation and washing dishes. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is electricity and mobile phones are working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here and have to wash your clothes by hand. In the night, you can see lots of bright stars.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the family, Higu and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Higurakgoda. 256km from Colombo, suburb of Polonnaruwa, the second ancient kingdom in Sri Lanka and declared as a world heritage site. Many people depend on paddy farming and it is low population density area for Sri Lanka (122 people/ km2).								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Nov. 15th and can leave there after 22:00 of Nov. 25th. 9 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	215/ 185 USD for 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	7 days participation is possible only in 11/16-11/22. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 7 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-1202A	Higu 9	Higurakgoda	Sri Lanka	12/02	12/15	SOCI, MANU	12	18	99
1. Summary	Helping to make bags of the self-employed family whose father was victimized in 1989 by the inner war! Back to 1,100 years ago to explore the ancient civilization.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 1 (No Poverty), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (first year in this place!). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. GV4GF has recently met an impressive family whose father was killed by leftists' rebellions in 1989 and have been struggling against poverty. They are trying to stand up by their own feet. We are going to support the eldest of the family who is running a small scale bag making place rented from the government. Partner NGO has been working since 2002 in a various sector but this is the first time they are going to work with international volunteers.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: We expect to appreciate his efforts and to encourage others to do some work that need to growing countries economy.</p>								
3. Work	In the 1st week, we will work at the bag making place as our main activity. We have to help them to do their daily work. Making bags is time consuming work and they need human resources to achieve their targets. In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange with villagers and youth, 2. Activities with children and 3. Work and assist to the self-help group members' activities.								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family near the nice paddy fields. Meals will be provided, but you need to help preparation and washing dishes. Sleeping bag is necessary. There is electricity and mobile phones are working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here and have to wash your clothes by hand. In the night, you can see lots of bright stars.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the family, Higu and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Higurakgoda. 256km from Colombo, suburb of Polonnaruwa, the second ancient kingdom in Sri Lanka and declared as a world heritage site. Many people depend on paddy farming and it is low population density area for Sri Lanka (122 people/ km2).								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Dec. 1st and can leave there after 22:00 of Dec. 15th. 9 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	255/ 215/ 185 USD for 14/ 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	7/10 days participation is possible only in 12/02-12/08 and 12/02-12/11. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 7/10 days.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-1221B	Higu 10	Higurakgoda	Sri Lanka	12/21	01/03	SOCI, KIDS	17	18	99
1. Summary	Working at the children's home in the village of Sri Lanka! Back to 1,100 years ago to explore the ancient civilization.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Green Volunteers for Green Future (GV4GF) since 2012 (since 2017 with this community). GV4GF is a NGO to promote voluntary service, environmental protection and improve rural life. This area has a lot of young marriages and separation. If village headman noticed any other threat to children such as family problems, separations and parents dead, he asks district courts to transfer them into the children home to an orphanage to minimized the threat. But during the school vacation, they are emotionally isolated and thinking about their homes, overthink and eventually get sadder and depressed.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 21 international vols. joined in 3 short term workcamps and made great impact to make positive changes on their lives and positive development of the way they thinking!</p>								
3. Work	<p>In the 1st week, we will do activities in the children home such as paintings, teach and sing songs, dancing, playing with them, sharing volunteers' life, country with children etc.</p> <p>In the 2nd week, we will visit around and do 1. Cultural exchange programs with villagers including youth. 2. Working with village families and 3. Assist self help group member's.</p>								
4. Accommodation	Village house with a host family, close to nice paddy fields. There is electricity and mobile phones are working. 3G/2G data connection is working, but no WiFi. You can't use toilet papers here that block the drainage lines. You have to wash your cloths by hand and have to hang outside for drying. At the night you can see lots of bright stars at the sky.								
5. Study theme	Local SDGs (2030 goals) of the community and Sri Lanka								
6. Other activities	Organizing cultural exchange events, Excursion, Environmental Education, Expeditions, Farewell party, etc.								
7. Location	Polonnaruwa, Subrub of Higurakgoda, located at 256 km from Colombo, with a lot of legendary stories. It is a rural area with low facilities, but lot of kind and friendly people. Surrounding are lakes and paddy fields with fresh breeze, you can feel.								
8. Terminal	Colombo - Volunteers need to arrive at Katunayake Bandaranayake International Airport by the end of Dec. 20th and can leave there after 22:00 of Jan. 3rd. 9 hours by bus to the site. You will meet at the bus station in the morning on the first day.								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work while experiencing different type of life style, accept challenges, adopt to local environment, respect and accept local life and culture.								
10. Participation fee	255/ 215/ 185 USD for 14/ 10/ 7 days to be paid on your arrivals. 20 USD less for repeaters of GV4GF workcamps and vols. from less expensive countries. There is optional service of 45 USD to pick up at the airport and one night stay in the guest house.								
11. Language	English (Sri Lankan is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	7/10 days participation is possible only in 12/21-12/27 and 12/21-12/30. Please write this period on the application form if you want to join only for 7/10 days.								
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NICE LMTV Projects

Long & Middle Term Voluntary projects (over 1 month) in 2020

NICE categorizes LMTV projects into following two;

1) LI: Long and Middle Term Individual projects	1 or 2 volunteers stay and work in the same period.
2) LW: Long and Middle Term Workcamps	More than 2 volunteers stay and work together in the same period

2-1) The common points (unless mentioned in each description of the detailed info.)

A) Age limit	From 18 (No maximum)
B) Language	English or Japanese (depending on the projects. See the detailed info.!)
C) Insurance	Small insurance only for accidents during the projects IN JAPAN is provided.
D) Accommodations	Basic, but enjoyable enough. Local hosts provide blankets and mattresses to volunteers.
E) Participation fee	<p>12,000 JPY (110 USD/99 Euro as of Oct. 2019) per month (6,000 JPY per month from the 4th month)</p> <p>* The fee will be charged all volunteer no matter which sending NGOs since 2020 though it was no fee from the NGOs charging no fee in their LMTV projects.</p> <p>* The fee is used for project management such as transportation of NICE staffs, logistics cost of orientation/evaluation seminar, etc.</p> <p>* Meals and accommodations during the project are provided by the local host.</p> <p>* Doesn't include transportation between an airport and the project site/seminars, any other costs on free days such as meals at a restaurant, sweets, beer, etc.</p>

< About VISA for Japan >

Many of volunteers can stay up to 3 months, but some can stay for 6 or 12 months and many of the local hosts also welcome such longer term participation!

*Please check the information also in your side!

http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/short/novisa.html

Length of stay	Nationalities	Description
A) 1 year stay	Argentina, Australia, Austria, Canada, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Korea, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Lithuania, Norway, NZ, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Taiwan, UK	<p>* Working Holiday Visa, which allows you to stay in Japan within 1 year! In this case, a volunteer can apply to a project for 1 year at maximum.</p> <p>* There is an age limit to get Working Holiday Visa depending on the countries.</p>
B) 6 months stay	Austria, Germany, Ireland, Liechtenstein, Mexico, Switzerland, UK	<p>* Can stay in Japan within 6 months without any visa as a tourist (with extension process at the end of the first 3 months stay). In this case, a volunteer can apply and join a project for 6 months at maximum.</p> <p>* Don't worry, it is legal in Japan to join voluntary service projects as a tourist.</p>
C) 3 months stay <u>without</u> our invitation	Andorra, Bahamas, Belgium, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Estonia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Finland, Macedonia, France, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macao, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritius, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Singapore, Slovenia, Surinam, Sweden, Tunisia, Uruguay, USA	<p>* Can stay in Japan within 3 months without any visa as a tourist.</p> <p>* A volunteer may get another 3 months to stay by going to neighboring countries such as Korea or Taiwan for more than 10 days though NICE does not guarantee your extended stay in this way.</p> <p>* Don't worry, it is legal in Japan to join voluntary service projects as a tourist.</p>
C) 3 months stay <u>with</u> our invitation	All the other countries that is not mentioned in any of the above categories.	* Need to apply for a visa as a volunteer with the invitation letter from NICE that allows you to stay in Japan within 3 months.

2-2) Application procedure

Step 1 Send an application through our partners!!

- * All applicants need to send their **application form** and **motivation letters**. Non-Japanese volunteers living outside Japan need to apply **through our partner NGOs of their countries**.
- * If your country is in Asia-Pacific and has no such NGOs, then you need to apply through NVDA (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia) <http://www.nvda-asia.org>.
- * Only if you are Japanese or live in Japan for a year or more, you can apply to NICE directly. Ask lm-in@nice1.gr.jp for more info., and then we will send you the guidance and the form.
- * If an applicant can write a motivation letter in Japanese, it is better to write it in Japanese!

Step 2 Skype Interview (only for some LI)

*Some LI (Individual Projects) require Skype interview with either NICE staff or the local hosts. It is mentioned in the project description. Calling date/ time and the Skype account will be discussed between volunteers and NICE after NICE will have received your application form.

Step 3 Acceptance

- * After having got an answer from the local host, NICE will soon inform your sending NGO.
- * NICE will send the following documents if you are accepted.
 - Acceptance Letter
 - Seminar Information
 - NICE Volunteers' Guide
- * It usually takes **1-2 weeks** (in some cases, **even 3-4 weeks!**).

Step 4 Book the flights as soon as being accepted!

- * **Don't wait for the Information Sheets**. Otherwise, volunteers may miss economical flights! Even if the final destination of your trip is not Tokyo/ Osaka, volunteers need to book the flight to make a stop-over in Tokyo or Osaka to join an orientation and evaluation Seminar.
- * Volunteers need to arrive in Tokyo/ Osaka **by the day before the Seminar starts**. Volunteers should not expect so much time for sightseeing during the projects, so if you want to do it, please take enough days before/ after the projects!
- * Volunteers can do any other preparation such as studying Japanese language/ culture/ history, etc.

Step 5 Get project Information Sheets

***By 1 month before the project starts**, volunteers will receive **Information Sheets** (details of the project, what to bring, the meeting point, how to get there, etc.).

Step 6 An orientation

- ***All volunteers need to join** Orientation for LMTV before going to the project site.
(But some projects such as LW-KU/MS/ON do it in the project sites independently).
- * Volunteers need to come to meeting point of Seminar by themselves.



At the seminar, previous volunteer advice to new volunteer!!
Exchanging your expectation, fear, culture.

< About orientations / evaluation seminars >

The seminar place is divided into 2 locations depends on the project, one is **near Tokyo**, the other is **near Osaka**.

Location	Near Tokyo	Near Osaka
Projects code	* NICE-LI-SH (Shintoku) / SA (Samegawa) / MK (Maki) / TT (Tateya) / KW (Kawaba) / OZ (Ozuchi) / KR (Kurosaki) / AR (Aratani) / AW (Awara) / IJ (Imajo) / HR (Hirokawa) / KU (Kurogi) * NICE-LW-YA (Yasuoka)	* NICE-LI-AK (Akame) / GS (Gose) / WA (Wazuka) / OY (Oda-Yukimiru) / TK (Tokushima) / SM (Shinmachi) / NI (Nishisho) / YG (Yokogura) / IB (Imabari) / IK (Ikata)
Dates	-	Jan.24 th (evaluation) / Jan.25 th - 26 th (orientation)
	Feb. 15 th - 16 th	-
	-	Apr.16 th (evaluation) / Apr. 17 th - 19 st (orientation)
	May 09 th - 10 th	-
	Jul. 25 th - 26 th	Jul.2 nd (evaluation) / Jul. 03 rd - 05 th (orientation)
	-	Aug.1 st - 2 nd (Orientation)
	Sep. 23 rd - 24 th	-
	Dec. 18 th	Oct.2 nd - 4 th (orientation)
Near airport	Narita or Haneda international airport	Kansai international airport
Participants	5-15 participants will attend each time. (sometimes including Japanese volunteers who will join overseas programs)	
Programs	* Workshops (What is your expectation and fear, contribution? Setting up your goal, etc.) * Questions and Answers about projects, * Voluntary work *Cooking, *Drinking party, etc.	
Fee	No additional fee! (NICE will provide meals, accommodation and meeting rooms during the seminar for free). Transportation fee to/ from seminar place is not included.	

Step 7 Joining the project!

volunteers will stay and work with your local host (and other vols. in some projects). Have a fruitful stay!

Step 8 Evaluation Seminar

As mentioned in Step 6, **all vols. need to join the Evaluation Seminar too** although LW projects often do it in the project sites independently. Volunteers will share positive/ negative feedback of projects and their own personal development. Then, you will also share the future proposals for the projects and life plan with filling in the form and if possible, making the project report with some pictures. Volunteers are also expected to advise other vols. who will participate in projects after the seminar. Surely, volunteer can have fun all together!

< To join LMTV Projects all over the world > (Organized by the partner NGOs)

1) Where and When organized?

NICE introduces about **500 projects** in **30 countries** organized by the **partner NGOs**.
The projects are held **all through the year**.

2) Who can apply (through NICE)?

Japanese citizen or other citizens who are **living in Japan for a long time (for a year or more)**.
If you are **NOT** in the above criteria, you need to apply **through our partner NGO in your country**.

* If your country is in Asia-Pacific and has no such NGOs, then you need to apply through **NVDA** (Network for Voluntary Development in Asia) <http://www.nvda-asiapacific.org/>

3) How can I apply and how much should I pay?

Ask lm-out@nice1.gr.jp for more info., then we will send you the guidance.

2-3) General Qualification

- a) **Best motivation for the voluntary work** (special skills are not necessary)
 b) **Responsibility to keep rules** of NICE & local partners and **cooperation** to run a project
 c) **Best efforts to understand and respect cultures** both of local partners and other volunteers
 d) **Open mind to make friends** with trying to speak English (in the groups) and the local language.
 e) **To adapt and enjoy simple conditions** of the living such as food and accommodation

Though it'd be very fun and dramatic time for you, if your motivation is **only for enjoying holidays, please don't apply** and do just travel. If it is more **for voluntary service** to respect local culture and custom, to make a better world and **friendship** with local people and other volunteers, you are **super welcome!!**

2-4) Summery List

Code	Name	Location	Dates(M/D)	Types	Japanese level	Vols.
< LI (Long & middle term Individual projects) >						
NICE-LI-SH20-02	Shintoku 20-02	Hokkaido	02/15-05/10	AGRI, SOCI	++	2
NICE-LI-SH20-05	Shintoku 20-05		05/09-07/26			
NICE-LI-SH20-07	Shintoku 20-07		07/25-09/24			
NICE-LI-SH20-09	Shintoku 20-09		09/23-12/18			
NICE-LI-SH21-02	Shintoku 21-02		2021/02/13-05/09			
NICE-LI-SA20-02	Samegawa20-02	Fukushima	02/15-05/10	AGRI, KIDS	++	2
NICE-LI-SA20-05	Samegawa20-05		05/09-07/26			
NICE-LI-SA20-07	Samegawa20-07		07/25-09/24			
NICE-LI-SA20-09	Samegawa20-09		09/23-12/18			
NICE-LI-SA21-02	Samegawa21-02		2021/02/13-05/09			
NICE-LI-MK20-05	Maki 20-05	Nagano	05/09-07/26	AGRI, SOCI, HERI	++	2
NICE-LI-MK20-07	Maki 20-07		07/25-09/24			
NICE-LI-MK20-09	Maki 20-09		09/23-11/01			
NICE-LI-TT20-05	Tateya 20-05		05/09-07/26	AGRI, SOCI	++	2
NICE-LI-TT20-07	Tateya 20-07		07/25-09/24			
NICE-LI-TT20-09	Tateya 20-09	09/23-11/01				
NICE-LI-KW20-07	Kawaba 20-7	Gunma	07/17-08/31	KIDS	+++	1
NICE-LI-OZ20-07	Ozuchi 20-07	Ishikawa	07/25-09/24	AGRI, ENVI	++	2
NICE-LI-KR20-06	Kurosaki 20-06		06/01-07/26	ENVI	++	1
NICE-LI-KR20-07	Kurosaki 20-07		07/25-09/24	AGRI, ENVI		2
NICE-LI-AR20-05	Aratani 20-05		05/09-07/26			
NICE-LI-AR20-07	Aratani 20-07		07/25-09/24			
NICE-LI-AR20-09	Aratani 20-09	09/23-12/18				
NICE-LI-AR21-02	Aratani 21-02	2021/02/13-05/09				
NICE-LI-AW20-07	Awara20-07	Fukui	07/06-08/19	EDU, ENVI	+	2
NICE-LI-AW20-08	Awara20-08		08/12-10/04	AGRI	++	2
NICE-LI-IJ20-11	Imajo 20-11		10/17-11/30			
NICE-LI-AK20-01	Akame 20-01	Mie	01/25-04/16	ENVI, AGRI	++	2
NICE-LI-AK20-04	Akame 20-04		04/17-07/02			
NICE-LI-AK20-07	Akame 20-07		07/03-09/24			
NICE-LI-AK20-10	Akame 20-10		10/02-12/18			
NICE-LI-AK21-01	Akame 21-01		2021/01/30-04/15			
NICE-LI-GS20-01	Gose 20-01	Nara	01/25-04/16	AGRI	+	1
NICE-LI-GS20-04	Gose 20-04		04/17-07/02			
NICE-LI-GS20-07	Gose 20-07		07/03-09/24			2
NICE-LI-GS20-10	Gose 20-10		10/02-12/18			
NICE-LI-GS21-01	Gose 21-01		2021/01/30-04/15			
NICE-LI-WA20-03	Wazuka 20-03	Kyoto	03/01-04/16	AGRI, HERI		2
NICE-LI-WA20-04	Wazuka 20-04		04/17-07/02			
NICE-LI-WA20-07	Wazuka 20-07		07/03-09/24			
NICE-LI-WA20-10	Wazuka 20-10		10/02-12/18			
NICE-LI-OY20-01	Oda-Yukimiru 20-01	Shimane	01/25-04/16	SOCI, ENVI	+++	2

NICE-LI-TK20-01	Tokushima 20-01	Tokushima	01/25-04/16	ENVI	+	2
NICE-LI-TK20-04	Tokushima 20-04		04/17-07/02			
NICE-LI-TK20-07	Tokushima 20-07		07/03-09/24			
NICE-LI-TK20-10	Tokushima 20-10		10/02-12/18			
NICE-LI-TK21-01	Tokushima 21-01		2021/01/30-04/15			
NICE-LI-SM20-01	Shinmachi 20-01		01/25-04/16	EDU	+	2
NICE-LI-SM20-04	Shinmachi 20-04		04/17-07/02			
NICE-LI-SM20-07	Shinmachi 20-07		07/03-09/24			
NICE-LI-SM20-10	Shinmachi 20-10		10/02-12/18			
NICE-LI-SM21-01	Shinmachi 21-01		2021/01/30-04/15			
NICE-LI-NS20-07	Nishisho 20-07	Ehime	07/03-09/24	AGRI	+	2
NICE-LI-NS20-08	Nishisho 20-08		07/03-09/24			
NICE-LI-YG20-07	Yokogura 20-07		07/03-09/24	AGRI	+	1
NICE-LI-YG20-08	Yokogura 20-08		07/03-09/24			
NICE-LI-IB20-01	Imabari 20-01	Ehime	01/25-04/16	KIDS	+	1
NICE-LI-IB20-08	Imabari 20-08		08/01-10/01			
NICE-LI-IB20-10	Imabari 20-10		10/02-12/18			
NICE-LI-IB21-01	Imabari 21-01		2021/01/30-04/18			
NICE-LI-HK20-02	Hirokawa 20-02	Fukuoka	02/15-05/10	KIDS, ELDE	+++	1
NICE-LI-HK20-05	Hirokawa 20-05		05/09-07/26			
NICE-LI-HK20-07	Hirokawa 20-07		07/25-09/24			
NICE-LI-HK20-09	Hirokawa 20-09		09/23-12/18			
NICE-LI-HK21-02	Hirokawa 21-02		2021/02/13-05/09			
NICE-LI-KU20-05	Kurogi 20-05		05/09-07/26	AGRI, ENVI	+	2
NICE-LI-KU20-07	Kurogi 20-07	07/25-09/24				
NICE-LI-KU20-09	Kurogi 20-09	09/23-12/18	++			
< LW (Long & middle term Workcamps) >						
NICE-LW-ON20-07	Onuma 20-07	Hokkaido	07/21-09/13	ENVI, AGRI, CULT		5
NICE-LW-YA20-07	Yasuoka 20-07	Nagano	07/18-08/31	KIDS	+++	3
NICE-LW-OK20-08	Oku-Yame 20-08	Fukuoka	08/24-10/12	AGRI, CULT		5
NICE-SCC-20-1	Yumefukuro M1	Kumamoto	09/20-12/06	ENVI, AGRI		5
NICE-SCC-20-2	Yumefukuro M2		09/20-11/07	ENVI, AGRI		5
NICE-SCC-20-3	Yumefukuro M3		10/25-12/06	ENVI, AGRI		5
< The projects outside Japan >						
NICE-LW-HI20-02A	Higu 20-02A	Sri Lanka	02/16-04/04	SOCI, MANU	-	3

* The dates include dates of an orientation/evaluation Seminar.

* If volunteers want to participate in the dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start/end date among the seminar dates and write on your application form.

< Required Japanese speaking level (at the time when the vols. start the projects) >

Mark	Required level	Project code	Description
(none)	None	NICE-LI-AR/WA NICE-LW-ON/ KU NICE-SCC	Only English is even possible. * Local host can speak English.
+	Beginners level	NICE-LI- AW/GS/TK/SM/IB/KU/ NI/YG	Those who can speak some basic words. * A few locals may speak some/ good English. *Japanese skill is useful when communication with kids.
++	Intermediate level (speaking some Japanese)	NICE-LI- SH/SA/MK/TT/OZ/KR/ IJ/AK/	Those who can manage to speak some of basic daily conversation. (e.g., it's hot today, I'm hungry). * Locals can not speak English fluently . The communication with them will be by mixture of simple English and Japanese.
+++	Advanced level (speaking good Japanese)	NICE-LI-KW/OY/ HK NICE-LW-YA	Those who have basically no problem for daily conversation (including work). * Skype interview is required.

* In all projects, high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed!

2-5) Detailed projects Info. Individual projects



Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-SH20-02	Shintoku 20-02	Hokkaido	Japan	02/15	05/10	AGRI, SOCI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SH20-05	Shintoku 20-05	Hokkaido	Japan	05/09	07/26	AGRI, SOCI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SH20-07	Shintoku 20-07	Hokkaido	Japan	07/25	09/24	AGRI, SOCI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SH20-09	Shintoku 20-09	Hokkaido	Japan	09/23	12/18	AGRI, SOCI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SH21-02	Shintoku 21-02	Hokkaido	Japan	21/02/13	21/05/09	AGRI, SOCI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's organic farming with various members in the local community!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS10 (Reduced Inequalities).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with Kyodo Gakusha Shintoku Farm since 1998. It's a cooperative community where people with various backgrounds such as mentally disadvantaged, people who are tired of city life, who want to learn agriculture, etc. Kyodo Gakusha community has five communities in Tokyo, Nagano and Hokkaido. At Shintoku farm in Hokkaido, they grow animals and vegetables ecologically, organic way with utilizing bacterium. Their cheese got the 1st prize in the national contest!</p>								
Work	<p>1) Agricultural works : planting, weeding, cultivating, harvesting, to make organic vegetables, taking care of animals, milk processing, etc.)</p> <p>2) House works : cooking and cleanings along with members in the community.</p> <p>3) Handcrafts and textiles : making some handcrafts and textiles for sale to the locals.</p>								
Accommodation	<p>Share the rooms in the facility which Shintoku Farm members live in.</p> <p>Cooking with the members by turn (Vegetarian is possible if it's prepared by volunteer self.)</p>								
Study theme	<p>Learn about organic farming, taking care of animals such as cows, chickens.</p> <p>Learn a group work with several different people.</p>								
Other activities	<p>Join the local festivals. Sightseeing (hot springs, famous places in this area).</p>								
Location	<p>Agricultural countryside, 120 km east of Sapporo.</p> <p>Minus 20 degrees in winter and 20 degrees in summer.</p>								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is New Chitose airport in Hokkaido.</p> <p>*But Volunteer need to book a flight ticket to Narita or Haneda airport (Tokyo) for attending an orientation / evaluation seminar, also need to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	<p>Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. Skills of agriculture or construction can be useful!</p> <p>A motivation letter is needed.</p>								
Participation fee	<p>12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.</p>								
Language	<p>English and Japanese.</p> <p>*The communication between locals and volunteers will be used simple English and Japanese.</p>								
Other	<p>If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates.</p> <p>[15-16 Feb. / 09-10 May. / 25-26 Jul. / 23-24 Sep. /18 Dec.]</p>								

Picture (Area)



Picture (Work)



Picture (Accommodation)



Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vol s.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-SA20-02	Samegawa 20-02	Fukushima	Japan	02/15	05/10	AGRI, KIDS	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SA20-05	Samegawa 20-05	Fukushima	Japan	05/09	07/26	AGRI, KIDS	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SA20-07	Samegawa 20-07	Fukushima	Japan	07/25	09/24	KIDS, AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SA20-09	Samegawa 20-09	Fukushima	Japan	09/23	12/18	AGRI, KIDS	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SA21-02	Samegawa 21-02	Fukushima	Japan	21/02/13	21/05/09	AGRI, KIDS	2	18	99
Summary	Let's organic farming and supporting kids camp with sharing your culture, smiles, and friendship!!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS4 (Quality Education).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with the Abukuma Nature School Network (ANSN) since 2006. Their theme is learning from soil and nature, living together. Many children in Fukushima are forced to stay indoors for fear of health risks from radioactivity, having been released in the air by the nuclear disaster since March 2011. ANSN started to organize kid camps for kids in Fukushima. The kid camps are called Fukushima Kids (FK). FK bring about more than 40 elementary, junior high or high school students at a time to areas with lower radiation levels, to conduct a series of camps during vacations (some 5-day camps in summer and winter) and weekends.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will do some farming such as planting rice, cutting the grasses, sowing seeds and harvesting in the land of ANSN. ANSN organizes many events on weekends. Volunteers will help to accept smoothly people from kids to adults, family. Volunteers will support and enjoy with them. Especially at the end of July to the end of August, ANSN organizes many kids camp programs.								
Accommodation	A private room of the nature school. Meals will be provided by the local host. During kid camp, Volunteers will stay with kids.								
Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of good ways of interaction with kids and Japanese agriculture.								
Other activities	Participation in local events, many opportunities to learn the local wisdom, etc. Sightseeing, short trip (hot springs, famous places around the project site).								
Location	Small village in the forest area, the population is about 5,000, surrounded by rich nature. The temperature in winter can be minus 5-10 though the inside buildings are warm enough! 75km far from Fukushima nuclear power plant.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Narita/Haneda airport in Tokyo.</p> <p>From Tokyo to the meeting point, takes 2.5 hours by a highway bus.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. Strong motivation to work with the host and live in the remote area with a lot of nature, respect to the local custom and life, flexibility, positive mind and those who like children. A motivation letter is needed.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English and Japanese.</p> <p>*The communication between locals and volunteers will be used simple English and Japanese.</p> <p>*During the kids camps, when volunteers communicate with the kids, mainly language is Japanese.</p>								
Other	If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates. [15-16 Feb. / 09-10 May. / 25-26 Jul. / 23-24 Sep. /18 Dec.]								

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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-MK 20-05	Maki 20-05	Nagano	Japan	05/09	07/26	AGRI, SOCI, HERI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-MK 20-07	Maki 20-07	Nagano	Japan	07/25	09/24	AGRI, SOCI, HERI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-MK 20-09	Maki 20-09	Nagano	Japan	09/23	11/01	AGRI, SOCI, HERI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's preserve way of traditional Japanese life in mountain area!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS10 (Reduced Inequalities).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with Maki Farm of Kyodo Gakusha (KG) since 2007. KG is an NPO running 5 organic farming communities in Japan where people with various backgrounds such as mentally disadvantaged, those who want to learn agriculture, etc. to change our society from competitive to cooperative. Maki Farm has 5-10 members and is located in a very isolated area (no access for cars and people have to walk 4 km in the mountains!), so once it became an abandoned village in the 1970s. Tateya (NICE-LI-TT) is one branch of KG.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will help their organic farming (weeding in rice and vegetable fields, planting vegetables, taking care of goats and hens, etc.) and also carry the things from the town, renovate the trails, help their housework, etc. Be ready to work for quite a long time (05:30-18:00 with some brakes) and tough.								
Accommodation	Building a straw roof (traditional house in Japan!) in the farm, cooking as a group by turn (Vegetarian is possible if it's prepared by volunteer self.)								
Study theme	Volunteers have opportunities learning organic farming, taking care of goats, chickens. Volunteers can learn traditional way of Japanese life.								
Other activities	Sightseeing, short trips (hot springs, famous places here). Trekking.								
Location	In the deep mountain. Very isolated, but beautiful village near the Northern Japan Alps. About 900 meters above sea level. Something remained here that most of Japanese areas have lost in modernization.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Narita/Haneda airport in Tokyo.</p> <p>From Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 4 hours by express train or 6-8 hours by bus.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. High motivation to work hard and to simple mountain life in the isolated area. Respect for the local cultures and way of the local organization. Agriculture skills or construction can be useful! A motivation letter is needed.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English and Japanese.</p> <p>*The communication between locals and volunteers will be used simple English and Japanese.</p>								
Other	<p>If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates.</p> <p>[09-10 May. / 25-26 Jul. / 23-24 Sep.]</p> <p>*The documentary movie about Kyodo Gakusha Maki Farm was made on 2015.</p> <p>[The web site of the movie] http://arayashiki-movie.jp/en/</p>								

Picture (Area)

Picture (Work)

Picture (Accommodation)


Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-TT20-05	Tateya 20-05	Nagano	Japan	05/09	07/26	AGRI, SOCI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-TT20-07	Tateya 20-07	Nagano	Japan	07/25	09/24	AGRI, SOCI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-TT20-09	Tateya 20-09	Nagano	Japan	09/23	11/01	AGRI, SOCI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's organic farming with various members in highland!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS10 (Reduced Inequalities).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with Tateya Farm of Kyodo Gakusha (KG) since 2014. KG is an NPO running 5 organic farming communities in Japan where people with various backgrounds such as mentally disadvantaged, those who want to learn agriculture, etc. to change our society from competitive to cooperative. Tateya Farm has 30 members, they have several backgrounds. Maki (NICE-LI-MK) is one brunch in KG group.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will help their organic farming (weeding in rice and vegetable fields, planting vegetables, taking care of goats and chicken, etc.) and also making miso and soy-sauce, wooden toy, weaving and dyeing cloths, etc. Be ready to work for quite a long time (05:30-18:00 with some brakes) and hard.								
Accommodation	Building for Tateya members in the farm, living together with the members. Volunteers help the members to cook. (Vegetarian is possible if it's prepared by volunteer self.)								
Study theme	Volunteers have opportunities learning organic farming, taking care of cows, goats and chickens. Volunteers can learn traditional way of Japanese life.								
Other activities	Sightseeing, short trips (hot springs, famous places here). Trekking.								
Location	Otari village is a small village located in the region of stunning natural beauty in the northern part of Nagano Prefecture, Japan. It is a beautiful village near the Northern Japan Alps.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Narita/Haneda airport in Tokyo.</p> <p>From Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 4 hours by express train or 6-8 hours by bus.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. High motivation to work hard and to simple mountain life in the isolated area. Respect for the local cultures and way of the local organization. Agriculture skills or construction can be useful! A motivation letter is needed.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English and Japanese.</p> <p>*The communication between locals and volunteers will be used simple English and Japanese.</p>								
Other	<p>If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates.</p> <p>[09-10 May. / 25-26 Jul. / 23-24 Sep.]</p>								

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Picture (Accommodation)



Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-KW20-07	Kawaba 20-07	Gunma	JAPAN	07/17	08/31	KIDS	2	18	99
Summary	Let's enjoy summer camp with kids and broaden their perspective of through international voluntary service!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDGS4 (Quality Education).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with is Aruking-Club (AC). They work on the theme of making a good relationship between nature and human beings. Their aim is to make people know different faces of nature...beautiful nature, strong nature, strict nature, and generous nature, etc. As a bridge between people and nature, they organize a lot of outdoor activities, like 2 weeks summer camp for kids, nature walking, nature watching, outdoor sports, etc.</p>								
Work	AC organizes Kids camps every August for 2weeks. It is non-programing kids camps. It means that kids make all programs by themselves during the camp. Volunteers will prepare, manage and support Kids. Volunteers also support AC events, for example, Oze (One of the famous national parks in Japan) nature school, cooking events, etc.								
Accommodation	During the kids camps, volunteers will sleep in a tent with kids. Before/after the camp, volunteers will stay at a mountain house called Yamanoie. All basic facilities are provided. There is wifi there. Cooking by volunteers self. During the kids camps, cook with kids.								
Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of good ways of interaction with kids.								
Other activities	Various enjoyable programs with kids, exchange parties, etc.								
Location	Mountain area located around 150 km from Tokyo. 81% of the village is occupied by the forest and there are 5 clean rivers that are going through. It is located near Oze national park.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Narita/Haneda airport in Tokyo.</p> <p>From Tokyo to the project site, about 3 hours by train or 3 hours by bus.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	<p>Speaking good Japanese (common language will be Japanese).</p> <p>Strong motivation to communicate with kids, enjoy a simple life and respect for the local culture and way of the local organization! Experience in kids camps can be useful!</p>								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>Good Japanese</p> <p>*Basically no problem for daily conversation (including work) in Japanese.</p> <p>*Skype interview is required.</p>								
Other	[Website of local organization in English] http://morigasuki.org/wp/?page_id=34								

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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-OZ20-07	Ozuchi 20-07	Ishikawa	JAPAN	07/25	09/24	AGRI, ENVI	2	18	99
Summary	Revive the abandon, but beautiful village by maintenance of the forests and fields. You can enjoy very beautiful Japanese nature and culture!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with Shizentaiken Ozuchi Mura since 2013, founded by local people to protect the Japanese original landscape. There were 140 inhabitants with 20 houses in 1916, but now only 2 people live there! Still, 10 houses remain, and the area was designated as Nation's Preservation District for Groups of Historic Buildings. This group tries to improve this depopulation situation by young voluntary power. Volunteers have been tried to [1] agriculture, [2] maintain the forest, [3] organize the event of culture exchange for local people and [4]exchange of ideas for improving regional development through this volunteering.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will do various work to activate Ozuchi village and preserve their culture and nature. The main work is maintaining vegetable fields and rice fields for a sustainable life. And do some other work for the community.								
Accommodation	Renovated house (traditional Japanese house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. Not need a sleeping bag. Volunteers prepare meals by themselves. Wi-Fi can connect basically. There is a cat in this village and house.								
Study theme	Revival of the abandon villages.								
Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, trekking, activity in the river and hot spring, etc.								
Location	The southwest part of Ishikawa prefecture. Ozuchi village is surrounded by mountains, so very isolated, but you can enjoy mountain life in the very beautiful/traditional place. Charcoal making was main industry. (https://goo.gl/maps/kPUu666yx292)								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Narita/Haneda airport in Tokyo.</p> <p>From Tokyo to the project site, 5 hours by express train or 8 hours by night bus.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. High motivation to work hard and simple mountain life in the isolated area, Also respect for the local culture and way of the local organization. KID-FRIENDLY volunteer is welcomed!								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English and Japanese.</p> <p>*The communication between locals and volunteers will be used simple English and Japanese.</p>								
Other	[the website of local organization] https://www.facebook.com/ozuchi/ In the period, [1] Taiwanese and Japanese bilateral camp, [2] International Workcamp, [3] Junior/ Kids English program are planned. Volunteer can spend great time with that member!								





Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-KR20-06	Kurosaki 20-06	Ishikawa	JAPAN	06/01	07/26	ENVI	1	18	99
NICE-LI-KR20-07	Kurosaki 20-07	Ishikawa	JAPAN	07/25	09/24	ENVI	1	18	99
Summary	Let's work in front of the beautiful blue ocean and support organic chicken farm!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with Yamannaka Tamago-en (YT) since 2017. YT is a chicken farm which is run in the way of raising chickens, called open-space breeding in a quiet mountain. Chickens can move around freely, and peck natural insects and wild grass. YT has some policy which domestic things in within easy reach of as much as possible and gives you the feed which let you ferment by self-combination. YT makes a lovely and peaceful atmosphere with many chickens. YT also organizes community beach hut during every summer season. If their hut close, it doesn't allow as bathing beach, kids cannot play in this beach anymore. YT tries to keep the beautiful beach with volunteers.</p>								
Work	Volunteers work mainly at the community beach hut (constructing hut, organizing/cooking in the beach restaurant, tearing down it). It is the only one hut on the beach. Volunteers will join night events sometimes, also help their sustainable grazing chicken farm (ex. making foods for chickens, feeding, picking up eggs, etc.) Volunteers work almost the whole day.								
Accommodation	Shared house, called Rokusa. It is located near the beach. Volunteers need to share this house with other volunteers and guests. Cooking as a group by turn (Vegetarian is impossible!). There is wifi, but only inside the house.								
Study theme	Volunteers have opportunities learning organic farming, taking care of chicken. You can learn traditional way of Japanese life.								
Other activities	Sightseeing, short trips (hot springs which are famous places here, communicating with local people. Enjoy swimming every day!								
Location	The southwest part of Ishikawa prefecture. The project site is a little-known spot in a secret place. (https://goo.gl/maps/46DZkocY74taP4mZ9)								
Terminal	The nearest airport is Narita/Haneda airport in Tokyo. From Tokyo to the project site, it takes 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus *Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before an orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.								
Requirement	Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. Strong motivation to work and enjoy the simple life in the isolated area and respect for the local culture and way of the local organization! Construction skills or cooking can be useful!								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English and Japanese. *The communication between locals and volunteers will be used simple English and Japanese.								
Other	[the website of local organization] https://www.facebook.com/kurosakibeach/ https://kagagurashi.com/post-2909/								

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NICE-LI-AR20-05	Aratani 20-05	Ishikawa	JAPAN	05/09	07/26	AGRI, ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-AR20-07	Aratani 20-07	Ishikawa	JAPAN	07/25	09/24	AGRI, ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-AR20-09	Aratani 20-09	Ishikawa	JAPAN	09/23	12/18	AGRI, ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-AR21-02	Aratani 21-02	Ishikawa	JAPAN	21/02/13	21/05/09	AGRI, ENVI	2	18	99
Summary	Learn precious lacquer culture and traditional architecture! Landscaping/Gardening organic herb garden and renovate the lacquer ware gallery!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>First cooperation and organize together with Kunsthaus Higashiya Kobo since 2020. Aratani Village has a unique traditional house-style which with red roofs and chimney. In the past, it prospered in the charcoal industry, but depopulation has become a severe problem now. This local host is a world-famous lacquer artist. He restores and creates Japanese lacquerware. To focus on lacquer culture succession, they have planned to renovate traditional houses and to establish a new gallery where people can learn lacquer culture. They also try to maintain the herb garden with sustainable natural farming. The local host expects about revitalizing communities by accepting international volunteers.</p>								
Work	1) Landscaping/Gardening (digging abandoned field, cutting grasses, removing stones, planting, etc.) and maintaining herb gardens 2) Supporting work of lacquer products 3) Assistance of café space 4) Cleaning up an old house and removing stuff, etc. Also, do other works for the community.								
Accommodation	Renovated house (traditional Japanese house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. Not need a sleeping bag. Cooking meals by volunteer's self. Wi-Fi can connect basically.								
Study theme	Japanese lacquer ware culture. Revival of the abandon villages.								
Other activities	Participate in local events and festivals. Lacquer art class. (Depending on the season, you can see fireflies in the garden, pick up chestnuts, play in the river, etc.)								
Location	The southwest part of Ishikawa prefecture. Aratani village is surrounded by mountains, so very isolated, but volunteers can enjoy mountain life in a very beautiful/traditional place. (https://goo.gl/maps/mVwW7psY1RJKUyWTA)								
Terminal	The nearest airport is Narita/Haneda airport in Tokyo. From Tokyo to the project site, it takes 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus. *Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.								
Requirement	Japanese speaking skill is not necessary, but high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. High motivation to work hard (for gardening) and work patiently and delicately (for lacquer work). Also, enjoy simple mountain life in the isolated area. Respect for the local culture and way of the local organization.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English, Japanese (and Germany). *The local host can speak English and Germany.								
Other	[the website of local host] https://www.tomizo.org/ If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates. [09-10 May. / 25-26 Jul. / 26-27 Sep. /18 Dec.]								

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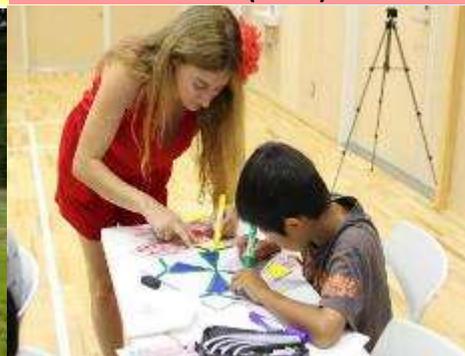


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NICE-LI-AW20-07	Awara 20-07	Fukui	JAPAN	07/06	08/19	EDU, ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-AW20-08	Awara 20-08	Fukui	JAPAN	08/12	10/04	EDU, ENVI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's broaden perspective of kids through international voluntary service!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG4 (Quality Education).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with Fukui Hito Machi Kaihatsu Keikaku, founded to making the community space for connecting local people and to renovating the local community. Honjo area in Awara city is famous for Fujino Genkuro, who is a benefactor of Luxun to learn medical science in Japan. This group tries to make international community space in this area and organize cross-cultural understanding programs for children. The local host expects to communicate with the locals.</p>								
Work	<p>1) Organize the workshop or English activity for children about cross-cultural understanding</p> <p>2) Organize English classes for local elder</p> <p>3) Play with the local students after school</p> <p>4) Maintain the community environment and so on.</p>								
Accommodation	Volunteers stay in a traditional house. Please bring a sleeping bag. Cooking meals by volunteers self. There is Wi-Fi, toilet, simple shower room and kitchen.								
Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of good ways of interaction with kids.								
Other activities	Sightseeing, short trips (hot springs, famous places here), joining local events.								
Location	About 200 km from Osaka. Awara city is an agricultural city and famous for its hot spring. It is close to Tojinbo (high cliffs, a natural treasure).								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Komatsu airport. But it has only a domestic terminal, so volunteers need to arrive at Narita/Haneda international airport in Tokyo. From Tokyo to the project site, it takes 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the first day and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	Speaking some Japanese and good English. Strong motivation to work with Kids, respect to the local custom and life, open mind and flexibility. Experience in communication with kids is necessary!								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English and Japanese *The local host can speak English. But Japanese skill is helpful for talking with kids.								
Other	Nothing								

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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-IJ20-11	Imajo 20-11	Fukui	JAPAN	10/17	11/30	AGRI	2	18	99
Summary	Making Dried persimmon with local people in mountain area. Enjoy very beautiful Japanese nature and culture!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with Plus times, it is founded by local people to improve their community culture. In this area, there is a depopulation problem, especially young people. Local people hope to continue their special culture/products (ex.dried persimmon, beautiful forest, festival and so on) This group tries to [1] revival the special, product, [2] organizing local event, [3] promotion about this area with young voluntary power and new idea.</p>								
Work	<p>1) Supporting to make Dried persimmon (harvesting, peeling and drying)</p> <p>2) Discussing with local people about NEW idea of dried persimmon for activation</p> <p>3) Organizing the event for local. Also, do other works for the community</p>								
Accommodation	Renovated house (traditional Japanese house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. Not need a sleeping bag. Cooking meals by volunteers self. Wi-Fi can connect basically. Some mobile are not available.								
Study theme	Revival of the abandon villages though the special product (Dried persimmon). Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village and traditional culture.								
Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, nature life, visit a local festival and hot spring, etc.								
Location	The southwest part of Fukui prefecture. Minamiechizen, Imajo area is countryside, so sometimes feel isolated, but you can enjoy local life in a very beautiful/traditional place. Dried persimmon is main industry in this area. (https://goo.gl/maps/GWH5FojA6Zw)								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Komatsu airport. But it has only a domestic terminal, so volunteers need to arrive at Narita/Haneda international airport in Tokyo. From Tokyo to the project site, it takes 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the first day and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	Some levels of Japanese speaking skills as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. High motivation to work hard and simple mountain life in the isolated area. Also, respect for the local culture and way of the local organization.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English and Japanese.</p> <p>*The communication between locals and volunteers will be used simple English and Japanese.</p>								
Other	[The website of local organization] http://imajo39.com/								

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NICE-LI-AK20-01	Akame 20-01	Mie	Japan	01/25	04/16	ENVI, AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-AK20-04	Akame 20-04	Mie	Japan	04/17	07/02	ENVI, AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-AK20-07	Akame 20-07	Mie	Japan	07/03	09/24	ENVI, AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-AK20-10	Akame 20-10	Mie	Japan	10/02	12/18	ENVI, AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-AK21-01	Akame 21-01	Mie	Japan	21/01/30	21/04/15	ENVI, AGRI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's conserve SATOYAMA and sustainable life in mountain area!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>This project has been organized together with a local environmental non-profit organization (NPO) Akame no SATOYAMA wo Sodateru Kai (ASSK) since 1998. Since this area is close to big cities Osaka and Nagoya, there were plans to build a golf field and an incinerator, but local people stopped those plans by the movement called National Trust. ASSK founded the group in 1996 to collect donations to buy and protect lands. Also, ASSK accepts people who want to enjoy nature, and maintains forests, creates a pond for dragonflies, hosts national cospse meeting, etc. SATOYAMA needs to be maintained by humans for its biodiversity and water adjustment function. Our ancestors had protected and utilized the forest ecologically and sustainably, which was neglected by modernization. We will try to revive it by voluntary global power!!</p>								
Work	Volunteers will work on various types of activity related to forest conservation, agricultural projects in mountainous nature and experiential learning events in nature. The forest conservation will be cutting trees, branches and maintaining the footpaths. For the agricultural work, volunteers will be taking care of the chickens raised by the free-range farming and slaughter old enough chickens for eating by themselves, harvesting and packaging mushrooms. Volunteers are also expected to help to organize some environmental events (e.g., to collect edible wild plants, nature observation) in the mountain.								
Accommodation	Single room, in a pension named Eco Resort Akame. Volunteers cook by themselves.								
Study theme	Volunteers will acquire the knowledge of conserving SATOYAMA and solving the environmental issues.								
Other activities	Many opportunities to learn the local wisdom. Sightseeing, short trips (hot springs, famous places here).								
Location	Kami-Mitani area, Nabari city, Mie prefecture, about 60 km from Osaka. There are famous falls nearby that many hikers visit.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Kansai international airport. From Osaka to the project site, 1 hour by train.</p> <p>*Volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Kansai International Airport (KIX) is convenient for access to the orientation and project site.</p>								
Requirement	High motivation to learn and speak Japanese language, to work hard with simple mountain life in a remote area. Respect for the local culture and way of the local organization. Interests in environmental issues. Open mind and flexibility.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English and Japanese.</p> <p>*The communication between locals and volunteers will be simple English and Japanese.</p>								
Other	If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates. [25-26 Jan. / 17-19 Apr. / 03-05 Jul. / 02-04 Oct. / 18 Dec.]								

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NICE-LI-GS20-01	Gose 20-01	Nara	Japan	01/25	04/16	AGRI	1	18	99
NICE-LI-GS20-04	Gose 20-04	Nara	Japan	04/17	07/02	AGRI	1	18	99
NICE-LI-GS20-07	Gose 20-07	Nara	Japan	07/03	09/24	AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-GS20-10	Gose 20-10	Nara	Japan	10/02	12/18	AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-GS21-01	Gose 21-01	Nara	Japan	21/01/30	21/04/15	AGRI	1	18	99
Summary	Working hard and healthy with an organic farmer who conserves beautiful culture and scenery in the countryside of Japan!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger).</p> <p>This project is co-organized with Sugiura Farm that engages in organic farming for pursuing food safety and environmental-friendly society. The owner of this farm is Mr. Sugiura who is the only one man taking care of 2 hectares of farmland abandoned by local people. The local people became too old to keep working on the farm. Mr. Sugiura cultivates, harvests crops, even makes fertilizer and processes the harvest into products. He is working not only for crops but also for conserving the environment and the beautiful scenery of living fields in the countryside of Japan.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will engage in the process of organic farming with duties such as cultivating vegetables and rice, weeding, harvesting and packing them for shipment.								
Accommodation	Volunteers stay at an old Japanese house next to the local host's one. The kitchen and shower are shared with the local host. Volunteers cook by themselves. Smoking is not allowed. A cat and dog are kept around the house.								
Study theme	Volunteers will acquire the knowledge of organic farming.								
Other activities	Join the local events, many opportunities to learn the local wisdom, etc. Sightseeing, short trips (hot springs, temples and shrines).								
Location	It is located in Gose city, Nara pref. which is about 50 km southeast of Osaka.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Kansai international airport. From Osaka to the project site, 2 hours by train.</p> <p>*Volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Kansai International Airport (KIX) is convenient for access to the orientation and project site.</p>								
Requirement	High motivation to learn and speak Japanese language, to work hard with simple mountain life in a remote area. Respect for the local culture and way of the local organization. Interests in agriculture.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English and Japanese *The local host speaks English.								
Other	If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates. [25-26 Jan. / 17-19 Apr. / 03-05 Jul. / 02-04 Oct. / 18 Dec.]								

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NICE-LI-WA20-03	Wazuka 20-03	Kyoto	Japan	03/01	04/16	AGRI, HERI	2	18	30
NICE-LI-WA20-04	Wazuka 20-04	Kyoto	Japan	04/17	07/02	AGRI, HERI	2	18	30
NICE-LI-WA20-07	Wazuka 20-07	Kyoto	Japan	07/03	09/24	AGRI, HERI	2	18	30
NICE-LI-WA20-10	Wazuka 20-10	Kyoto	Japan	10/02	12/18	AGRI, HERI	2	18	30
Summary	Let's preserve beautiful green tea farm in Kyoto!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>This project has been organized with E-Wasa (EW), a local non-profit organization since 2015. EW, meaning good Japanese tea, was created in 2012 to organize agricultural events, support new tea farmers who live in Wazuka. Short-term volunteer programs, workcamps, have been held every year since 2001 by another local group nearby. One of the tea farmers who was a camp leader of workcamp in Wazuka was fascinated by this place and became a tea farmer here. Then, he established EW for the future of Wazuka. Wazuka is famous for green tea, called Uji-cha, the name of a different area. However, the tea farmers in Wazuka want to promote their tea as Wazuka-cha. Now, Wazuka faces depopulation, lack of workers and an aging society since most of the youth leave the town. As a result, the number of abandoned tea farms increases and the town loses its tradition, life, custom and scenery. EW hopes to host international volunteers to work together to animate the town and revitalize the tea farms.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will do natural tea farming in abandoned tea farms with EW. Working at the tea farm is physically hard. After reviving farms, EW will provide it for those who wants to start new tea farms. Volunteers are expected to join local events and weekend-workcamps too.								
Accommodation	Single room at the volunteer's house. Cooking by volunteers								
Study theme	Volunteers will acquire the knowledge of green tea, Matcha.								
Other activities	Join the local events etc. Sightseeing, short trip (temples, shrines famous places in Nara and Kyoto).								
Location	About 80 km from the center of Osaka. Most of the peninsula was designated as a quasi-national park. It was selected as one of the most beautiful villages in Japan in 2013. A famous landscape known as the Beautiful Tea farms is called Cha-genkyo.								
Terminal	From Osaka to the project site, 1 hour and a half by train and bus. *Volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Kansai International Airport (KIX) is convenient for the access to the orientation and project site.								
Requirement	High motivation to work hard and interests in tea agriculture. Respect for the local culture and way of the local organization. Open mind and flexibility.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English *Local host can speak English. Japanese is also welcomed!								
Other	If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates. [25-26 Jan. / 17-19 Apr. / 03-05 Jul. / 02-04 Oct. / 18 Dec.]								

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NICE-LI-OY20-01	Oda-Yukimiru 20-01	Shimane	Japan	01/25	04/16	SOCI, ENVI	2	18	39
Summary	Activate local community by joining local events or education!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG10 (Reduced Inequalities) and SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>Since 2011, this project has been organized together with the Organization of Green and Water (OGW), which was established in 1992. As one of the projects of OGW, they run a local community center, called Yukimiru and opened for local people, mainly teenagers who are not good at communication due to relationship with others. The center supports study and provides them with opportunities to learn social communication. Volunteers are expected to communicate with the teenagers as new close brothers/sisters, show them how the volunteers live and help them find various kinds of way of living.</p>								
Work	Visiting and joining local elementary school or local events to introduce own culture or support operation to create a relationship with local people. Communicating with teenagers who come to the community center. Volunteers will have opportunities to show their own culture. Nature conservation work such as cutting trees and bamboos in the mountain might be organized sometimes.								
Accommodation	Volunteers stay at the local community center named Yukimiru. There are good facilities (Shower rooms, Kitchen, Washing machine, Event space, Meeting rooms, Air conditioners, TV) Volunteers share Japanese floor (tatami) rooms separated by man and woman. Every meals will be cooked by volunteers. No need a sleeping bag. There is Wi-Fi.								
Study theme	Volunteers will get the knowledge of social education for teenagers, creating local community through supporting local events.								
Other activities	Joining local events which are held by the local organization or others and support the operation and communicate with local people. (Day off) Volunteers can choose some kinds of activities; visiting the Izumo shrine where one of the symbolic shrines in Japan/ going to hike in IWAMI Ginzan mountain, one of the famous historical places in Japan.								
Location	Oda city is located in the middle area of Shimane prefecture and far from about 250 km northwest of Osaka. Very close to Japan sea and Iwami Ginzan, a silver mine, and a lot of nature. The population is estimated 33,017 and depopulation is one of the social issues there.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Kansai international airport.</p> <p>From Osaka to the project site, 5 hours by bus.</p> <p>*Volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Kansai International Airport (KIX) is convenient for access to the orientation and project site.</p>								
Requirement	Good level of Japanese speaking skill as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. Speaking Japanese for daily conversation! Respect for the local cultures and way of the local organization. Open mind and flexibility, cooperation with others. Under 39 years old.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>Japanese</p> <p>*Basically no problem for daily conversation (including work) in Japanese.</p> <p>*Skype interview is required.</p>								
Other	<p>*Pocket money is 30,000 JPY per month.</p> <p>[The activity blog] http://blog.canpan.info/ohgreen/</p>								



Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-TK20-01	Tokushima 20-01	Tokushima	Japan	01/25	04/16	ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-TK20-04	Tokushima 20-04	Tokushima	Japan	04/17	07/02	ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-TK20-07	Tokushima 20-07	Tokushima	Japan	07/03	09/24	ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-TK20-10	Tokushima 20-10	Tokushima	Japan	10/02	12/18	ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-TK21-01	Tokushima 21-01	Tokushima	Japan	21/01/30	21/04/15	ENVI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's make beautiful flower road with local people!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and SDGS6 (Clean Water and Sanitation).</p> <p>This project has been organized with NPO, Bizan Daigaku (B.D) since 2015. They organize workcamp with NICE from 2013. They have many types of projects, one of the project started "Flower Road Project" from last year in Tokushima city. It made flowerbed along the national road by a local citizen. But it is difficult to do daily maintenance (ex. watering, removing grass etc.) for them. So, they want to keep it with international volunteers. B.D. has also other projects, cleaning up rivers, projects which it cooperates with a shopping street, etc. They want to activate this town though having local events with volunteers.</p>								
Work	Maintaining flowerbed (ex. watering, removing grass etc.), and support for local event cleaning up river, shopping street with local people to activate the area and communication with local people. Also volunteers will join local some activities and events.								
Accommodation	Single room in local apartment house. Shower room in each rooms. Sometimes volunteers need to share 1 room. Volunteers need to prepare for breakfast by themselves. Lunch and dinner are usually cooked by themselves, sometimes provided from the local. There is wi-fi.								
Study theme	Volunteer have opportunities to communicate with local people, to join local events a lot.								
Other activities	Awa Odori Festival on August, Exchange parties, experiencing Japanese culture, etc. Join the local events etc. Sightseeing, short trip (hot springs, famous places here).								
Location	Tokushima City, the capital of Tokushima Prefecture, has a population of about 260,000. The city is in northern Tokushima Prefecture where the Yoshino River and its tributaries create a delta.								
Terminal	From Osaka to the meeting point, 5 hours by train or 3 hours by bus. *Volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Kansai International Airport (KIX) is convenient for the access to the orientation and project site.								
Requirement	High motivation to learn and speak Japanese language. Respect for the local cultures and way of the local organization.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English and Japanese *The local host can speak English. Japanese is also welcomed!								
Other	If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates. [25-26 Jan. / 17-19 Apr. / 03-05 Jul. / 02-04 Oct. / 18 Dec.] [The activity blog (English)] http://bizandaigaku.jugem.jp/								

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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-SM20-01	Shinmachi 20-01	Tokushima	Japan	01/25	04/16	EDU	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SM20-04	Shinmachi 20-04	Tokushima	Japan	04/17	07/02	EDU	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SM20-07	Shinmachi 20-07	Tokushima	Japan	07/03	09/24	EDU	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SM20-10	Shinmachi 20-10	Tokushima	Japan	10/02	12/18	EDU	2	18	99
NICE-LI-SM21-01	Shinmachi 21-01	Tokushima	Japan	21/01/30	21/04/15	EDU	2	18	99
Summary	Creating the opportunity of international exchange for local children!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG4 (Quality Education).</p> <p>This project has been organized with NPO, Bizan Daigaku (B.D) since 2019. They organize workcamp with NICE from 2013. They have many types of projects, one of project started that visiting local primary school or kindergarten from this year in Tokushima city. There is a kind of problem that the children who live in countryside face to have few opportunities to communicate with foreign people compared with city because of the lack of number of foreigners. They want to change the situation and activate both of children and the situation of education for cultural exchange through having such local activities with volunteers.</p>								
Work	Visiting the local primary school and kindergarten and communicating with local students. Volunteer will prepare for some activities and lesson for children. For example, helping their homework, discuss about some game which is related with cultural exchange for them. Joining in some kind of local events which BD organizes.								
Accommodation	Single room in local apartment house. Shower room in each room. Sometimes volunteers need to share 1 room. Volunteers need to prepare for breakfast by themselves. Lunch and dinner are usually cooked by themselves, sometimes provided from the local. There is wi-fi.								
Study theme	Volunteer have opportunities to communicate with local people, to join local events a lot.								
Other activities	Awa Odori Festival on August, Exchange parties, experiencing Japanese culture, etc. Join the local events etc. Sightseeing, short trip (hot springs, famous places here).								
Location	Tokushima City, capital of Tokushima Prefecture, has a population of about 260,000. The city is in northern Tokushima Prefecture where the Yoshino River and its tributaries create a delta.								
Terminal	<p>From Osaka to the meeting point, 5 hours by train or 3 hours by bus.</p> <p>*Volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Kansai International Airport (KIX) is convenient for the access to the orientation and project site.</p>								
Requirement	High motivation to learn and speak Japanese language. Respect for the local cultures and way of the local organization. It's also better if volunteer have experience of taking care of children.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English and Japanese</p> <p>*A few locals can speak English.</p> <p>*When volunteers communicate with children, mainly language is Japanese.</p>								
Other	<p>If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates.</p> <p>[25-26 Jan. / 17-19 Apr. / 03-05 Jul. / 02-04 Oct. / 18 Dec.]</p> <p>[The activity blog (English)] http://bizandaigaku.jugem.jp/</p>								

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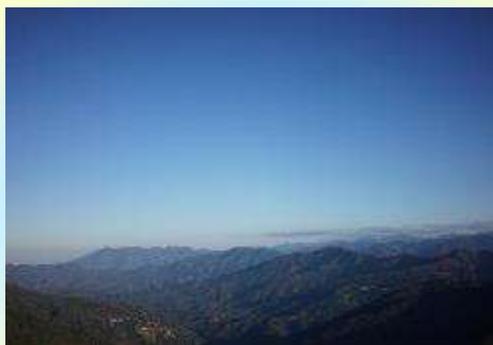


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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	
NICE-LI-NS20-07	Nishisho 20-07	Tokushima	Japan	07/03	07/31	AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-NS20-08	Nishisho 20-08	Tokushima	Japan	08/01	09/24	AGRI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's support cultivating of local strawberry and Tomato with local farmers at the highland mountains!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger).</p> <p>This project is organized by the local group. They had the first workcamp in the summer of 2019. The village is famous for its steep-slope farming that has been recognized as a Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems by FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) in 2018. They grow strawberries, tomatoes, etc. in a highland where elevations exceed 1,000 meters in the village and make a living. However, villages are facing labor shortage due to depopulation problem. In order to pass on the agriculture and culture of the area to the next generation, local organization are accepting students and offering classes to local junior high schools. Let's carry out revitalization with the pleasant local farmers.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will support cultivating and maintenance local strawberry and tomato farm in the local farm. It's the busiest season for local farmers and they need their contribution. And they have opportunity to learn about local traditional way of farming, recognized as a Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems.								
Accommodation	Simple local farmhouses. Meals will be cooked by volunteers.								
Study theme	Finding ways for sustainability of a depopulated village, learning about special area where it is registered as Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems.								
Other activities	Sightseeing on days off								
Location	Nishisho village, Higashi Miyoshi town, Miyoshi county, Tokushima pref.								
Terminal	<p>From Osaka to the meeting point, 5 hours by train or 3 hours by bus.</p> <p>The closest station from the village is JR Awakamo station. It takes about 90 minutes from JR Tokushima station where is the meeting point. Volunteers will be picked up at Awakamo station and it takes about 60 minutes to the village by car.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to book the flight ticket to Kansai international airport for joining the orientation / evaluation seminar, also needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	Positive attitude, a willingness to work hard and communicate with local people!								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	Japanese and English *Mostly Japanese but locals welcome you without Japanese skills!								
Other	[Video about the campsite] https://youtu.be/M4TI6hgdZCY								

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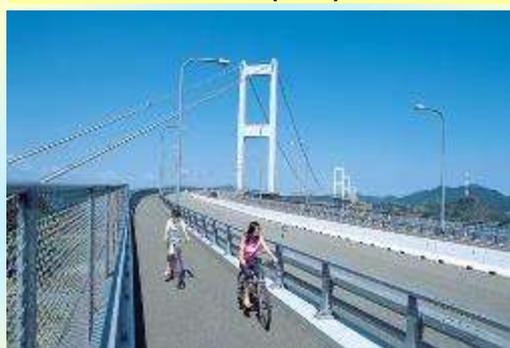


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NICE-LI-YG20-07	Yokogura 20-07	Tokushima	Japan	07/03	07/31	AGRI	1	18	99
NICE-LI-YG20-08	Yokogura 20-08	Tokushima	Japan	08/01	09/24	AGRI	1	18	99
Summary	Let's support farmwork with local people in "Yokogura", the village in the sky!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger).</p> <p>This project is organized by the local group in the village of "Yokogura" for the first time. The village is located in the area where elevations of 600 meters high where is surrounded by the magnificent Asan mountains.</p> <p>They grow a variety of vegetables and make "tofu" and "miso" throughout the year, however, the area is facing labor shortage due to aging population. Volunteers're required to help local farming and making processed food such as tofu and miso with young power by learning local traditional farming.</p>								
Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Support cultivating and selling of tomatoes. 2) Support making "tofu" and "miso". 3) Activities for preserving the village including cutting weeds 								
Accommodation	Local farmhouse "Nakajima" (https://yokogura-inn.com/index.html). You will cook with the host.								
Study theme	Finding ways for sustainability of a depopulated village, learning about the lifestyle in the mountain, feeling the nature, and communication with local people								
Other activities	Cultural exchange opportunity between locals.								
Location	Yokogura village, Wakimachi, Mima-city, Tokushima pref.								
Terminal	<p>From Osaka to the meeting point, 5 hours by train or 3 hours by bus.</p> <p>The closest station from the village is JR Awakamo station. It takes about 90 minutes from JR Tokushima station where is the meeting point. Volunteers will be picked up at Awakamo station and it takes about 60 minutes to the village by car.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to book the flight ticket to Kansai international airport for joining the orientation / evaluation seminar, also needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	ONLY female. Positive attitude, a willingness to work hard and communicate with local people!								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	Japanese and English *Mostly Japanese but locals welcome you without Japanese skills!								
Other	[The website of the accomodation and host] https://yokogura-inn.com/index.html								



Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-IB20-01	Imabari 20-01	Ehime	Japan	01/25	04/19	KIDS	1	20	99
NICE-LI-IB20-08	Imabari 20-08	Ehime	Japan	08/01	10/01	KIDS	1	20	99
NICE-LI-IB20-10	Imabari 20-10	Ehime	Japan	10/02	12/18	KIDS	1	20	99
NICE-LI-IB21-01	Imabari 21-01	Ehime	Japan	21/01/30	21/04/18	KIDS	1	20	99
Summary	Let's play with kids and make their happiness!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG4 (Quality Education) and SDG10 (Reduced Inequalities).</p> <p>The worksite is the non-registered childcare facility where the host works. In Japan, there is a big issue that the number of children on waiting lists is increasing these days. Because the number of parents who are both working is increasing and they look for some registered childcare facilities to leave their child there. And many registered facilities cancel parent's application because of beyond its capacity. The host works for parents who can't leave their child at such a registered childcare facility with various reasons.</p>								
Work	Volunteer will take care of children (age 0~3) at the childcare facility where the host works. They will also play with children (age 3~10) by introducing their culture or showing their special skills, like playing the musical instrument or sports, dancing, drawing, cooking, etc.								
Accommodation	Single room at the volunteer's house or homestay at the local host's house. Volunteers will cook by themselves, but lunch will be provided by the local on working day. Smoking is prohibited. No necessary to bring sleeping bag.								
Study theme	Volunteer have opportunities communicating with a lot of children and learning how to take care of them.								
Other activities	Join the local events, going out to a park, the river, the sea with children. Cycling in Shimanami road.								
Location	Imabari city, Ehime prefecture. About 300 km south west of Osaka. Near Seto Island sea.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Matsuyama airport.</p> <p>From Matsuyama to the meeting point, 2 hours by bus.</p> <p>*But volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Kansai International Airport (KIX) is convenient for the access to the orientation and project site.</p>								
Requirement	ONLY female. High motivation to learn and speak Japanese language, to work with kids. Positive attitude to communicate with children. Only female volunteer.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English *Local host can speak English. But Japanese skill is helpful for talking with kids.								
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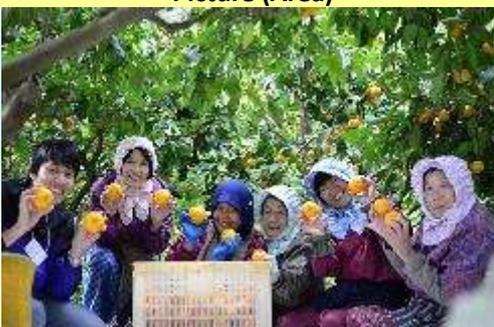


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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-IK20-01	Ikata 20-01	Ehime	Japan	01/25	04/16	AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-IK20-04	Ikata 20-04	Ehime	Japan	04/17	07/02	AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-IK20-07	Ikata 20-07	Ehime	Japan	07/03	09/24	AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-IK20-10	Ikata 20-10	Ehime	Japan	10/02	12/18	AGRI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-IK21-01	Ikata 21-01	Ehime	Japan	21/01/30	21/04/15	AGRI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's support mandarin farming in edge of peninsula!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger).</p> <p>This project has been organized with Kikuya Community Group (KCG), formed by the local young people to think of the future of their small village. Ikata is famous for its main industry of mandarins farming, but has been facing depopulation, lack of workers and aging society since most of young people leave the town. So, the number of abandoned mandarin farms is increasing and the town is losing its tradition, life, custom and scenery. KCG strongly hopes to host vols. to work together to animate the town and revive the farms.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will help mandarin farming (It is the main work!! Harvesting, taking care of trees, cutting grass etc., it depends on season! Especially, Nov. to April. is hard!!), support local youth club (If you have chance), and create new activities to animate the town.								
Accommodation	Share room (male and female are separated) at the volunteer's house. It is traditional Japanese style house. Volunteers cook by themselves.								
Study theme	Volunteers have opportunities learning organic mandarin farming.								
Other activities	Join the local events, many opportunities to learn the local wisdom, etc. Sightseeing, short trip (hot springs, famous places here).								
Location	In the edge of Sata Peninsula, surrounded by the sea, so fishing is also famous. There are only 30 houses in this community. The climate is relatively warm though it can be cold in winter.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Matsuyama airport.</p> <p>From Matsuyama to the meeting point, 2.5 hours by bus.</p> <p>*But volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Kansai International Airport (KIX) is convenient for the access to the orientation and project site.</p>								
Requirement	<p>High motivation to learn and speak Japanese language, to work hard. Respect for the local cultures and way of the local organization. Interests in agriculture.</p> <p>Be ready that work is for quite a long and hard, especially from Nov. to April.</p>								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English</p> <p>*Local host can speak English. But Japanese skill is helpful for talking with kids.</p>								
Other	<p>If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates.</p> <p>[25-26 Jan. / 17-19 Apr. / 03-05 Jul. / 02-04 Oct. / 18 Dec.]</p>								

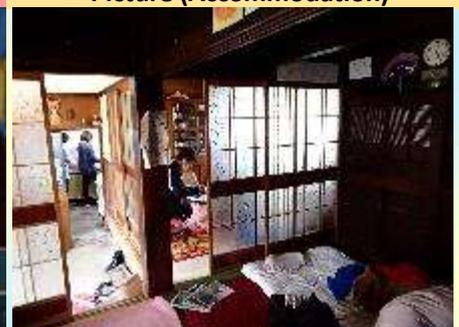
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	10 days max
NICE-LI-HK20-02	Hirokawa 20-02	Fukuoka	Japan	02/15	05/10	DISA, HERI	1	18	99
NICE-LI-HK20-05	Hirokawa 20-05	Fukuoka	Japan	05/09	07/26	DISA, HERI	1	18	99
NICE-LI-HK20-07	Hirokawa 20-07	Fukuoka	Japan	07/25	09/24	DISA, HERI	1	18	99
NICE-LI-HK20-09	Hirokawa 20-09	Fukuoka	Japan	09/23	12/18	DISA, HERI	1	18	99
NICE-LI-HK21-02	Hirokawa 21-02	Fukuoka	Japan	21/02/13	21/05/09	DISA, HERI	1	18	99
Summary	Let's connect kids and elderly people through symbiotic life!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG4 (Quality Education).</p> <p>This project has been organized with Komorebi no ie (KI) since 2017. Komorebi means, it is the sunlight leaking from leaves of filtering through leaves. KI's philosophy, the elderly, the young and disabled, all live in the same town. Here, he or she respects and is respected as individual of his or her own personality. Here, he or she will not be bound physically or psychologically. The people live with nature and are co-existent harmoniously. We Komorebi would like to make such a community reality. Vice-president is one of founder of Sansonjuku (NICE-LI-KU20). He would like to do LMTV program his organization. They expect connecting kids and elderly people.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will play kids after school and during long vacation. During program, there are spring vacation and summer vacation. KI organize Kids camp. We support it. We also support elderly people who stay in KI. We support their activities (ex. farming and taking a walk etc.). Making an opportunity to communicate Kids and elderly people.								
Accommodation	Single room in volunteer house where it takes few minutes from KI. Meals are provided in KI (Vegetarian is available!). No smoking in building.								
Study theme	Situation about nuclear family in Japan.								
Other activities	Volunteers will have chance to join events in Sansonjuku (NICE-LI-KU20).								
Location	In a relatively mild climate, originate Hirokawa flows from east to Hosshinzan, have poured into the Chikugo create an elongated basin of the plains in the basin. About 50 km south of Fukuoka city.								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Fukuoka airport.</p> <p>*But volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Narita/Haneda airport is convenient for the access to the orientation and project site.</p>								
Requirement	<p>ONLY Female. Speaking good Japanese. Respect to the local custom and life.</p> <p>Open mind and flexibility.</p>								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>Good Japanese</p> <p>*Basically, no problem for daily conversation (including work) in Japanese.</p> <p>*Skype interview is required.</p>								
Other	<p>If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates.</p> <p>[15-16 Feb. / 09-10 May. / 25-26 Jul. / 23-24 Sep. /18 Dec.]</p> <p>[The website of local organization] http://www.komorebinoie.jp/</p>								

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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LI-KU20-05	Kurogi 20-05	Fukuoka	Japan	05/09	07/26	AGRI, ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-KU20-07	Kurogi 20-07	Fukuoka	Japan	07/25	09/24	AGRI, ENVI	2	18	99
NICE-LI-KU20-09	Kurogi 20-09	Fukuoka	Japan	09/23	12/18	AGRI, ENVI	2	18	99
Summary	Let's make international volunteer movement to connect urban and rural areas!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>This project has been organized with Sansonjuku, founded in 1994, maintaining forest and step rice paddies through the projects which involve people from the city and local. They started 80-days of international workcamp with NICE since 2008 to make the footpath and maintain the forest. But in July 2012, the hardest rain ever attacked around this area. After that, it had serious damages from a flood. Their aim is to activate the community and sustain the program with young people from the world to conserve this rich nature and revival in this area!</p>								
Work	Volunteers will work on various types of activity related to agriculture such as [1] cultivating rice (Ex. rice planting, cutting grass in terraced rice fields (from May to Nov.)), [2] helping local farm of green tea(May and Oct.), rice and vegetable(from May to Nov.), etc., [3] supporting events of Sansojuku (Ex. promotion, preparation, supporting staffs, communicating with participants, clean up).								
Accommodation	Egao no mori center (It was Kasahara-higashi elementary school until 2004). Volunteers cook by themselves. There may be some pocket money to support additional costs by the group (e.g.. Transportation and meals outside on free days) in some cases.								
Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of how to conserve SATOYAMA, taking care of forest, organic farming.								
Other activities	Join the local events, many opportunities to learn the local wisdom, etc. Sightseeing, short trips (hot springs, famous places here).								
Location	Southern part of the Fukuoka prefecture. Yame city is 482.53 km ² . There are so many tee trees and terraced paddy fields.								
Terminal	The nearest airport is Fukuoka airport. * But volunteers are required to arrive in Japan no later than one day before the orientation and leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day. Using Narita/Haneda airport is convenient for access to the orientation and project site.								
Requirement	High motivation to learn and speak Japanese language. Respect for the local culture and way of the local organization! High motivation to work hard and interests in environmental issues and local development.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English * The local host can speak English. Japanese speaker is preferred.								
Other	If volunteers want to participate in dates other than the above (either shorter or longer), please choose your start / end date among the following seminar dates. [09-10 May. / 25-26 Jul. / 23-24 Sep. /18 Dec.] [The activity Blog] http://egaonomori.exblog.jp/								

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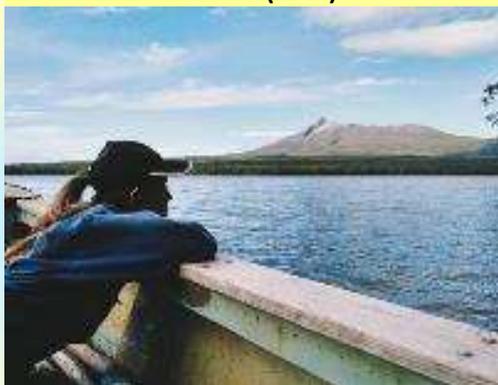
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2-6 Detailed project Info. (LMTW).

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vol s.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LW-ON20-07	Onuma 20-07	Hokkaido	Japan	07/21	09/13	ENVI, AGRI, CULT	5	18	99
Summary	Let's energize the Onuma area through supporting festivals and local activities!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG13 (Climate Action) and SDGS6 (Clean Water and Sanitation).</p> <p>This project has been organized with Milestone 22, a local NGO to promote voluntary service and international exchange. Short term projects have been organized since 2004. Though Onuma lake has been a popular tourism spot for a long time because of its beautiful scenery, it has been polluted by overuse of agricultural chemicals by cattle farming and erosion from abandoned forests with non-native trees. A leader of Fishermen's Cooperative has bought a forest and wants to revive it to original nature!</p>								
Work	Volunteers will cut alien trees and planting native trees to create better forests around the lake in a mountain. Also, volunteers will support local farmers, to harvest tomato, potato, etc. Volunteers will join and support some local festivals to cheer up for people who live in around Onuma area. Volunteers also join and support such as international festivals and local festivals in Hakodate city.								
Accommodation	Rental house and apartment house near the lake. Cooked by vols. by turn.								
Study theme	Volunteers have opportunities to learn intercultural learning.								
Other activities	Excursion, exchange parties, local events, farming experience, school visit, sports, etc. Sightseeing, short trips (hot springs, famous places here).								
Location	South of Hokkaido islands, in a national park near Hakodate city which is famous for romantic view in the night, especially for sweet couples!								
Terminal	<p>The nearest airport is Hakodate airport in Hokkaido. From Sapporo city, 3 hours by express train. *Volunteer needs to arrive at Hakodate airport by 12:00 on the 1st day, and can leave Hakodate airport after 12:00 on last day.</p>								
Requirement	Japanese speaking skill is not necessary, but high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. Interests in environmental issues and agriculture. Respect for the local culture and way of the local organization! Motivation to work hard. Open mind and cooperation with others.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>English *Local host can speak English. Japanese is also welcomed!</p>								
Other	<p>There will be short term international workcamp during the program. [The activity movie] https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vVAC_J2dkyl</p>								

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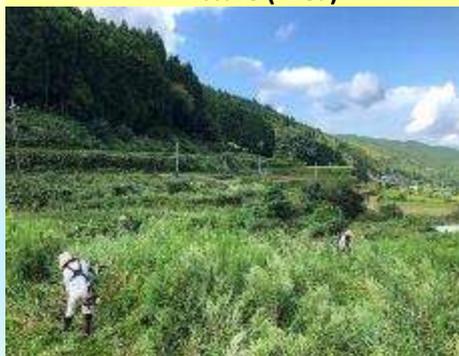


Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LW-YA20-07	Yasuoka 20-07	Nagano	Japan	07/18	08/31	KIDS	3	18	99
Summary	Let's enjoy summer camp with kids and broaden their perspective of through international voluntary service!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG4 (Quality Education).</p> <p>This project has been organized with Green Wood (GW) since 2007. GW is a local NPO established in 2093 to promote the education of children by experience in nature. They run a school for students from cities, first aid classes, kids exchange projects in the northeast Asia and various types of children's nature experience camps for community planning. They have many staff members and short-term volunteers (for several days) but need more long-term volunteers to run the summer program stably.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will assist to run various types of 3-10 days children summer camps such as playing with kids, managing safety, food, and other stuff, helping kids to cook, preparing and cleaning the places. We will be separated into each program to work with local staff, so don't expect to be there as a group.								
Accommodation	Tents in the camping site.								
Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of good ways of interaction with kids.								
Other activities	Various enjoyable programs with children, exchange parties, etc.								
Location	The south edge of Nagano prefecture and 80% of the village land is forested. 40% of 2,000 inhabitants are aged 65 or more. They have a rich nature and a lot of fruit farms!								
Terminal	<p>From Tokyo to the meeting point, 5-6 hours by highway bus and train.</p> <p>*Volunteer needs to book the flight ticket to Narita or Haneda international airport for joining the orientation / evaluation seminar, also needs to arrive in Japan on the day before the orientation and can leave Japan after 22:00 on the last day.</p>								
Requirement	Some level of Japanese speaking skill as well as high motivation to learn and speak Japanese language is needed. High motivation to work with kids and run outdoor activities even in rain. Positive attitude to communicate with kids.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	<p>Good Japanese</p> <p>*Basically, no problem for daily conversation (including work) in Japanese.</p> <p>*Skype interview is required.</p>								
Other	[Activity pictures] http://www.greenwood.or.jp/sanzoku/16scy000.htm								



Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-LW-OK20-08	Oku-Yame 20-08	Fukuoka	Japan	08/24	10/12	AGRI, CULTT	5	18	99
Summary	[Half Farming × Half Art] Let's make new folk art with artist through volunteer activities in local area!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>This project is organized together with Sanson-Juku since 2008. They maintain the forest and rice fields by the exchange programs between cities and the country side since 1994. Since 2008, Sanson-Juku has hosted international volunteers more than 200 days per year. In spite of the town's natural heritage, depopulation (especially of youth) is a serious problem there similarly to many other parts of the country side in Japan. We aim to help with nature conservation and to activate the area through workcamps.</p> <p>Sanson-Juku started a new project collaborating with artists, and organize art events to involve local area and people from 2018. Sanson-Juku try to make new ways of revitalize local area. During program, volunteers communicate with local people through agricultural work. Volunteers make folk art including experience of local farmer. Last 2 years, volunteers made 2 folk art (dance) through program.</p>								
Work	Volunteers will maintain abandoned farmlands and farming in vegetable fields and rice fields. Volunteers will organize art events with some artists. Volunteers will involve local area and local people through art event and farming. Through the communication with local farmer, volunteers will create new folk art with members and local people.								
Accommodation	Shared room in abandoned school. Meals will prepared by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is not needed.								
Study theme	Effective cases of activated depopulated areas in each country. Bring some info..!								
Other activities	Participating Sanson-Juku events.								
Location	Kurogi area in Yame city, Fukuoka. It is southern part of the Fukuoka prefecture.								
Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Fukuoka. From Fukuoka to the meeting point, it takes 1.5 hours by train. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport by 12:00 on the 1st day and leave there after 15:00 on the last day.								
Requirement	Interest in art, farming & exchange with a community. Adaptability to enjoy a simple lifestyle! Welcome, people who has experience of international voluntary Service.								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English *The local host can speak English. Japanese is also welcomed!								
Other	None								

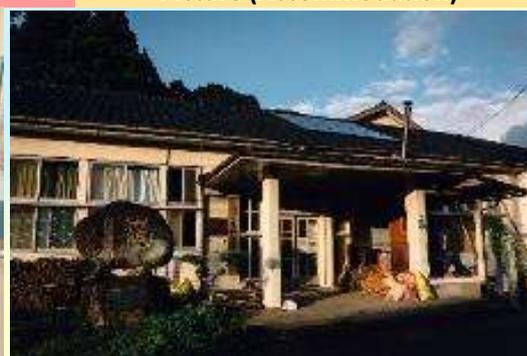
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-SCC-20-1	Yumefukuro M1	Kumamoto	Japan	09/20	12/06	ENVI, AGRI	5	18	99
NICE-SCC-20-2	Yumefukuro M2	Kumamoto	Japan	09/20	11/07	ENVI, AGRI	5	18	99
NICE-SCC-20-3	Yumefukuro M3	Kumamoto	Japan	10/25	12/06	ENVI, AGRI	5	18	99
Summary	Working on carbon offset to stop the climate change by cutting bamboos and making charcoal to be used instead of oil. You can also enjoy warm exchange, nice culture and beautiful nature!								
Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG13 (Climate Action) and SDGS15 (Life on Land).</p> <p>This project has been organized with Shokubutsu Shigen No Chikara (Power of Natural Resource), a local NPO. It's been hosting short term workcamps every year since 1992 that has made various kinds of great impacts to create a forest on the reclaimed land, etc. Minamata had experienced the terrible industrial pollution called Minamata disease though it si completely safe and clean now. Since 2016, the project has been organized also as a part of SCC (Stop Climate Change) projects initiated by NICE with NVDA (Asian network) and partner NGOs in 3 other countries (Cambodia, Indonesia and India). As well as many other parts of Japan, bamboo trees, originally brought from China by human being, have been severely spreading and damaging the other trees and ecosystem. Another work is to revitalize the marine environment. The beaches have a lot of rubbish, but when it's clean, there is a lot of sea food such as oysters and sea urchins. Rehabilitation of seaweed forests is taking place since a few years ago. There will be also two short term workcamps in 09/20-10/03 and 10/25-11/07 to work and live together with this mid term workcamp. Last year, 4 LMTVs from 4 countries and 6 STVs from 5 countries, together with local people, maintained 1ha of bamboo forest, made 541 kg of charcoal and reduced 1.1 ton of CO2 emission.</p>								
Work	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Trimming bamboo trees that can increase the whole amount to fix carbon in the forest. 2. Making bamboo charcoal from ones cut in the Work 1 to be used as fuel instead of oil. 3. Other work such as harvesting paper mulberry trees, citrus fruits, onions, helping to run marine environmental education for middle school students and ocean life investigation. <p>* Working time will be normally 7–8 hours per day and 5 days a week.</p>								
Accommodation	2 floors house rent for the volunteers (1-2 persons per room besides the short term workcamps period). Kitchen, toilet, wifi and bath are equipped. Volunteers need to cook by yourselves.								
Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of revival from public disruption (Minamata disease), opportunities learning conservation forest, solving of environmental issues.								
Other activities	Join the local events etc. Sightseeing, short trip (hot springs, famous places here). There may be about 1 week holiday before or after the second short term workcamp.								
Location	Southern part of Kumamoto prefecture in Kyushu, one of the four main islands of Japan. It faces a beautiful semi-closed sea called Shiranui-kai and has some gorgeous natural scenery.								
Terminal	The nearest airport is Kagoshima airport. Volunteer needs to arrive there by 11:00 on the first day and can leave there after 20:00 on the last day.								
Requirement	High motivation to the climate change and other environmental issues and actions, as well as respect to the local culture and way of the local organization are necessary!								
Participation fee	12,000 yen per month (6,000 yen from the 4th month) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by PayPal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
Language	English. The local host can speak some English. Japanese is also welcomed!								
Other	Please see the long-term goal of this project as Local SDGs at https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/17-82084627 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)								



Project 3: Group Workcamps

- Let's organize together! -

3-1) What are Group Workcamps?

Workcamps **organized for specific groups** like schools, NGOs, student groups, companies, governments, local communities, etc.

Contents (types of works, places, periods, finance, types/ numbers of volunteers, etc.) just **depend on the needs of the groups and hosts**.

3-2) Why are they organized ?

There are **huge demands to input workcamp elements** (voluntary works and collective life) in **(mostly, existing) programs of the society** such as school/ company trips, training of youth/ new workers, seminars and language classes, etc.

We need **good training/ preparation** especially for those **who were not so motivated** in the beginning, but then why not to improve those programs by **utilizing our know-how and networks** for the better world! And we can **involve new kinds of people** who never apply alone or have no opportunities where else.

This can also be **fund raising** project if the group can use a lot of money for it!

3-3) Who can join/ send/ host?

Volunteers of the sending or both sides are **recruited as a group** (not individually from different routes) though there are two cases that all members of the groups automatically join or some ones of the groups join optionally.

Usually, workcamp NGOs in both sides **plan/ organize together and provide each leader**. It is also possible to do by 3 (or more) countries!

3-4) How to organize?

- 1) Sending org. makes draft plan with a group.
 - 2) Sending org. propose it to the hosting org.
 - 3) Hosting org. finds the local partners, modify the plan with them and answer to sending org.
 - 4) Hosting & sending org. make an agreement.
- * There can be the other way that **hosts plan first** and then, try to find a group to come.

3-5) Where and When organized ?

As above mentioned, just up to agreements on both sides (the host and the coming group). It can be **any time & length** of a year.

Anywhere if the groups & the hosts like!
We can also host your groups in Japan.

++Examples!

- 1) 2019b Aug. 1-21 in Eco village of Hokkaido, **Japan** where 5 students from Univ. in Wales, **UK** and 3 locals worked for organic farming (**with UNA**).



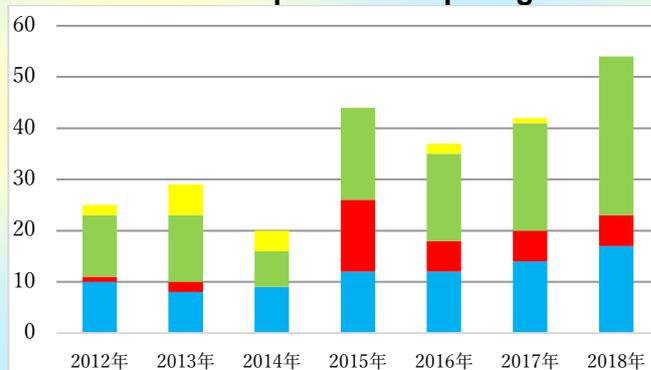
- 2) 2019 Oct. 7-11 in **Cambodia** where 12 **adult workers** from the company in Tokyo, Japan and 4 locals worked to revive Mangrove forest (**with CYA**).



So, we want to hear from you;

- 1) **Are you interested** to do it with us!?
- 2) Do you have any **possible local hosts**?
If so, where, who and what kind of works?
- 3) Do you have any **possible groups to Japan**?
If so, what kind of groups and plans?
Please don't hesitate to contact to;
Mari: GW@nice1.gr.jp

< Number of Groups workcamps organized >



Blue = Outgoing: Japanese groups went abroad
Red = Incoming: Foreign groups came to Japan
Green = Japanese did in Japan for 2 days or more
Yellow = Japanese did in Japan for one day

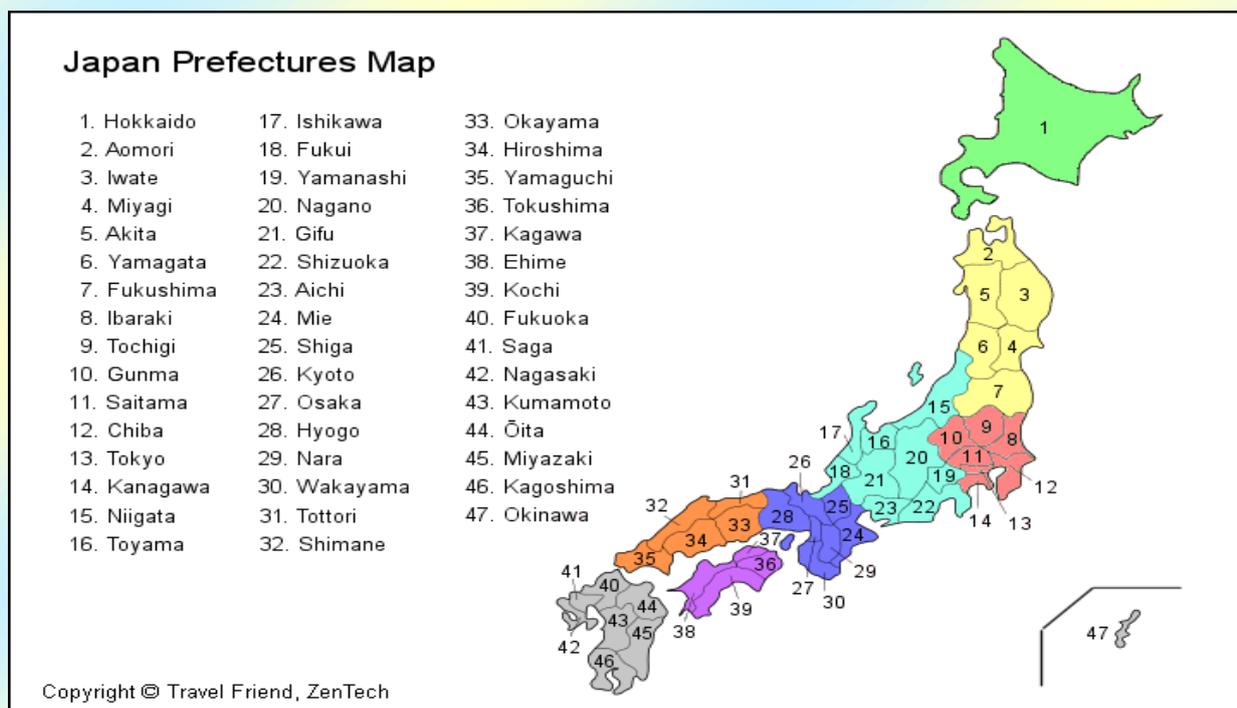
Project 4: Weekend Workcamps

(= Very Short Term Workcamps for less than 7 days)

The process of the application is almost same as STV (send applications to in@nice1.gr.jp) while all vols. need to pay the fee of 6,000-12,000 JPY (about 50-100 EUR) on their arrivals. You may doubt who'd go to Japan only to join weekend workcamps, but last year, we sent 97 Japanese to the VSTV projects abroad and hosted around 50 from Hong Kong and Thailand! We can also try to arrange home stay before/ after the projects upon the requests!

4-1) Summery List of the projects

Code	Project name	Country	Location	Start	End	Theme	SDGs
NICE-20-V0319A	Ozuchi VS1	Japan	Ishikawa	03/19	03/23	KIDS, EDU, AGRI	4
NICE-20-V0418A	Ozuchi VS2	Japan	Ishikawa	04/18	04/20	AGRI, MANU	2,11
NICE-20-V0502D	Ozuchi VS3	Japan	Ishikawa	05/02	05/04	AGRI, MANU	2,11
NICE-20-V0512A	Maki VS1	Japan	Nagano	05/12	05/16	AGRI, MANU	2,10
NICE-20-V0519A	Maki VS2	Japan	Nagano	05/19	05/23	AGRI, MANU	2,10
NICE-20-V0526A	Maki VS3	Japan	Nagano	05/26	05/30	AGRI, MANU	2,10
NICE-20-V0602A	Maki VS4	Japan	Nagano	06/02	06/06	AGRI, MANU	2,10
NICE-20-V0605A	Kamimamakuchi VS1	Japan	Ishikawa	06/05	06/08	AGRI, ENVI, ART	2,11
NICE-20-V0616A	Maki VS5	Japan	Nagano	06/16	06/20	AGRI, MANU	2,10
NICE-20-V0620A	Ozuchi VS4	Japan	Ishikawa	06/20	06/22	AGRI, MANU	2,11
NICE-20-V0623A	Maki VS6	Japan	Nagano	06/23	06/27	AGRI, MANU	2,10
NICE-20-V0723A	Ozuchi VS5	Japan	Ishikawa	07/23	07/26	AGRI, MANU	2,11
NICE-20-V0730A	Hitachiomiya VS1	Japan	Ibaraki	07/30	08/03	FEST, CULT	2,11
NICE-20-V0911A	Gokayama VS1	Japan	Toyama	09/11	09/14	AGRI, KIDS	2,4
NICE-20-V0918A	Ozuchi VS8	Japan	Ishikawa	09/19	09/22	KIDS, AGRI, FAM	4
NICE-20-V1010A	Ozuchi VS6	Japan	Ishikawa	10/10	10/12	AGRI, MANU	2,11
NICE-20-V1016A	Awara VS1	Japan	Fukui	10/16	10/19	KIDS, EDU	4
NICE-20-V1121A	Ozuchi VS7	Japan	Ishikawa	11/21	11/23	AGRI, MANU	2,11
NICE-20-V1218A	Awara VS2	Japan	Fukui	12/18	12/21	KIDS, EDU	4



4-2) Detailed Workcamps Information;

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-V0418A	Ozuchi VS2	Ishikawa	Japan	04/18	04/20	AGRI, MANU	13	16	99
NICE-20-V0502D	Ozuchi VS3	Ishikawa	Japan	05/02	05/04	AGRI, MANU	13	16	99
NICE-20-V0620A	Ozuchi VS4	Ishikawa	Japan	06/20	06/22	AGRI, MANU	13	16	99
NICE-20-V0723A	Ozuchi VS5	Ishikawa	Japan	07/23	07/26	AGRI, MANU	13	16	99
NICE-20-V1010A	Ozuchi VS6	Ishikawa	Japan	10/10	10/12	AGRI, MANU	13	16	99
NICE-20-V1121A	Ozuchi VS7	Ishikawa	Japan	11/21	11/23	AGRI, MANU	13	16	99
1. Summary	Revive the countryside and beautiful village by maintenance of the forests and fields. You can enjoy very beautiful nature and traditional Japanese culture!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Shizentaiken Ozuchi Mura since 2013, founded by local people to keep the original landscape. There were 140 inhabitants with 20 houses in 1916, but now only 2 people live there! Still 10 houses remained and the area was designated as Nation's Preservation District for Groups of Historic Buildings. We will try to improve the situation of the village by young voluntary power. Since 2016, Ozuchi village and NICE have started weekend workcamps and over 400 vols. joined here per year and love this village! Local host hope to pass this village down the next generations!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: This village had become abandoned, but one of the former villagers was maintaining the terraced rice fields alone from his home in the town. But through the workcamps working together with him, he has gotten so empowered that he started living there again with his old mother since 2018! Please see the presentation made by the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2017e2 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	We will do various work to activate the area and success their culture. Main work may be one of (1) maintaining rice and vegetables' fields for sustainable life (2) communicating with local people. And do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	Renovated house (traditional house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. Sleeping bag is needed! Food will be cooked by volunteers. Wi-Fi and internet are nothing. There is a cat.								
5. Study theme	Revival of the abandon villages. Bring some info.!								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, trekking and hot spring etc.								
7. Location	The southwest part of Ishikawa prefecture. Ozuchi village is surrounded by mountains, so very isolated, but beautiful place. Charcoal making was main industry.								
8. Terminal	Nearest Domestic terminal is Komatsu. International airport is Osaka (Kansai) or Tokyo (Haneda/ Narita). From Osaka, 4 hours by express train. From Tokyo, 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus (Meeting time is First day's 11:00am, Departure time is Last day's 3:00pm at Kaga-Onsen station)								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work hard and simple life in the isolated area and respect to the local culture and way of the local organization!								
10. Participation fee	12,000 JPY (about 100 EUR. 10,000 JPY for the projects before July) of "NICE Volunteers" + additional fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. 50% is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the other 50% goes to the local host.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village. Also the basic knowledge of the Japanese language and local culture.								
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NICE-20-V0512A	Maki VS1	Nagano	Japan	05/12	05/16	AGRI, MANU	5	18	99
NICE-20-V0519A	Maki VS2	Nagano	Japan	05/19	05/23	AGRI, MANU	5	18	99
NICE-20-V0526A	Maki VS3	Nagano	Japan	05/26	05/30	AGRI, MANU	5	18	99
NICE-20-V0602A	Maki VS4	Nagano	Japan	06/02	06/06	AGRI, MANU	5	18	99
NICE-20-V0616A	Maki VS5	Nagano	Japan	06/16	06/20	AGRI, MANU	5	18	99
NICE-20-V0623A	Maki VS6	Nagano	Japan	06/23	06/27	AGRI, MANU	5	18	99
1. Summary	Organic farming and nature life in the beautiful and traditional mountain communities in Japan. No road for cars, the only way to reach there is by walk for 1.5 hours!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 10 (Reduced Inequalities), organized together with Maki Farm of Kyodo Gakusha (KG) since 2000. KG is a NPO running 5 organic farming communities in Japan where people with various backgrounds such as mentally disadvantaged, those who want to learn farming, etc. in order to change our society from competitive to cooperative. Maki Farm has 5-10 members and is located in a very isolated area (not accessible for cars and we have to walk 4 km in the mountains), so once it became an abandon village in 1970s. By the local needs and circumstances, the length of the workcamps have been changed this year from 12 days for one time to 5 days for 6 times.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: In 2019, 7 vols. from 4 countries greatly contributed to their farming and caring animals that was difficult to finish by the time they needed without volunteers! There was also nice exchange between Community people and vols. Please see https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/e4-54764427 for the long-term goal of this project as Local SDGs at (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	We will help their organic farming (weeding in rice and vegetable fields, planting vegetables, taking care of goats and chicken) and also carry the things from the town, renovate the trails, help their house work, etc. Be ready to work for quite a long time (05:30-18:00 with some brakes) and hard.								
4. Accommodation	Building for volunteers in the farm. Very beautiful cultural heritage! Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. Sleeping bag is necessary.								
5. Study theme	Similar type of communities in each country and their networking. Bring some info.!								
6. Other activities	Visit to the elementary school, football and baseball (optional), exchange party, etc.								
7. Location	Very isolated, but beautiful place near "Japanese Northern Alps". About 900 meters asl. There is something remained here that most of Japanese areas have lost in modernization.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Tokyo. From Tokyo to the meeting point, It takes 4 hours by express train or 6-8 hours by bus and train. You need to arrive at Narita/Haneda airport by 04:00 a.m. on First days and can leave there after 24:00 on last days.								
9. Requirement	Good Japanese language is not necessary, but still welcomed. You need to be physically strong and flexible to respect the way of the local host. Motivation letter is needed!								
10. Participation fee	No fee								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
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NICE-20-V0605A	Kamimamakuchi VS	Ishikawa	Japan	06/05	06/08	AGRI,SPORT	7	18	99
1. Summary	Participation in local sports festivals! Agriculture in the rich nature!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Satoyama Shizen Gakko Komatsu Takigahara (nature school), founded in 2011 to teach attraction and importance of Satoyama forest. Depopulation (especially of youth) is a serious problem here similarly in many other country sides. This village have only 20 families and few young people. It is difficult to keep traditional culture, so we aim to help keeping this landscape/cultures and telling Satoyama's attraction by young power! This village have welcomed volunteers since 2013, and they tried to start a new project with them. Local people really welcome to coming the new people!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: Please see https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2019-wp2-188758763 for the long-term goal of this project as Local SDGs (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Main work is (1) Participation in local sports festivals, running, jumping and so on, (2) Helping Agriculture with local people. We may possibly also support to do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	The community center in the village. There are clean kitchen and toilet. Volunteers take a shower in the kindly local people's houses. Please bring sleeping bag! Volunteers prepare the meals by themselves. Wi-Fi are not connected basically.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers have time for discussion about "How to interchange and dispatch about Satoyama forest's enlivening".								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, trekking and hot spring etc.								
7. Location	Ishikawa prefecture is almost middle of Japan. Campsite is very small village located in South part of Ishikawa prefecture. There are rice fields, historical shrine, and beautiful nature. (https://goo.gl/maps/JBr8Py5WowS2)								
8. Terminal	Komatsu is nearest airport (domestic line). The closest International airport is Osaka (Kansai). It takes 4 hours by express train. From Tokyo (Narita/Haneda), 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by night bus (you need to arrive by 4th Jun. afternoon/ can leave campsite after 8th noon.)								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work hard and seriously and enjoy simple countryside life. Speaking Japanese language is welcomed!								
10. Participation fee	10,000 JPY to be paid on your arrivals.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village. Also, the basic knowledge of the Japanese language and local culture.								
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Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-V0730A	Hitachiomiya	Ibaraki	Japan	07/30	08/03	FEST, CULT	6	18	99
1. Summary	The empowerment of local traditional festival in the region facing aging and depopulation.								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Nagakura Tanabata Festival (NTF) executive committee in Hitachiomiya city since 2017. Tanabata festivals (Star Fest) are traditionally held throughout Japan in July, a date based on the old Chinese calendar. However, these festivals have been abolished in many places due to shortage of successors. Nagakura area is also facing aging and depopulation problems nowadays, and NTF committee is trying to preserve traditional NTF, which has been started since 1953 to activate the area after World War II.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: This workcamp made the local people motivated again for this festival. Then, the number of food stalls at the festival increased compare to the year before and the festival was excited! In 2017, a TV program reported a Russian vol. from the airport that got very popular for many people.</p>								
3. Work	Helping a small but valuable traditional Tanabata Festival, such as setting up the festival site and festival stalls, preparing traditional bamboo decorations, cleaning up after the festival. Also, there will be a kind of performance time by workcampers on main stage of the festival!								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers will stay in homestay style at the local people. The host family will provide meals. Sleeping bag is needed.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge about Japanese traditional festival and organic farming.								
6. Other activities	Cultural exchange party with local people and onsen (hot spring). Volunteers will also have opportunities to talk and work with local high school students.								
7. Location	Nagakura area of Hitachiomiya city. Nagakura has once thrived as the post-town along the old road. Hitachiomiya is northwest of Ibaraki prefecture.								
8. Terminal	The nearest international airport is in Tokyo (Narita/Haneda). From Tokyo to the meeting point, it takes 3 hours by bus. Volunteers need to arrive at the airport in Tokyo (Narita/Haneda) by 9:00 AM on the first day and can leave the airport after 17:00 PM on the last day.								
9. Requirement	Interested in Japanese culture, adaptability to simple living condition, and positive attitude to work outside in hot weather.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	None								
Picture (Area)		Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)				
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-VS0911A	Gokayama VS	Toyama	JAPAN	09/11	09/14	AGRI	5	16	99
1. Summary	Harvesting the traditional pumpkin and enjoy local life style!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 4 (Quality Education), organized together with "Moyomon project" since 2015. This group try to improve this village. Depopulation (especially of youth) is a serious problem here similarly in many other country sides. This village have only 17 families/46 people and very few young people. It is difficult to keep traditional culture and community work, so our aim is supporting to keep this landscape/cultures and telling local village's attraction by young power! They accepted Japanese university group every year, and the student removing heavy snow, supporting summer festival and study traditional Minyo song and dance.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: They expect to have new, global wind to activate the area!</p>								
3. Work	Main work is (1)Agriculture/Harvesting the traditional pumpkin ,(2)playing with Children in after school class, and do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	Renovated house (traditional house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. Sleeping bag is not needed. Food will be cooked by volunteers. Wi-Fi is available.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers have time for discussion about "Initiatives for population decline and regional revitalization".								
6. Other activities	Enjoy world Heritage 'Gokayama village' , hot spring and so on.								
7. Location	Nanto City is located in the southwestern part of Toyama Prefecture. There are many mountainous areas and agriculture is one of main industry. Historical folk songs and dances are remained.(https://www.tabi-nanto.jp/en/)								
8. Terminal	Nearest Domestic terminal is "Toyama". International airport is Tokyo (Haneda/Narita).From Tokyo, 4 hours by express train/ 8 hours by highway bus (For taking night bus, you need to arrive by 10th afternoon/ can leave there after 14th noon.)								
9. Requirement	High motivation to work and simple mountain life in the isolated area, Also respect to the local culture and way of the local organization.								
10. Participation fee	12,000 JPY (about 100 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" + additional fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. 50% is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the other 50% goes to the local host.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	Volunteers get knowledge about actions for developing local village and ancient times. Also the basic knowledge of the Japanese language and local culture.								
Picture (Area: activity)			Picture (Work: winter)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-VS0918A	Ozuchi VS8	Ishikawa	Japan	09/19	09/22	KIDS, AGRI, FAM	14	6	99
1. Summary	*International FAMILY workcamp* Organizing Kids/Junior camp in the beautiful village. You can enjoy very rich nature and Japanese traditional culture with lovely Kids/students!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDGs 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), organized together with Shizentaiken Ozuchi Mura since 2013, founded by local people to keep the original landscape. There were 140 inhabitants with 20 houses in 1916, but now only 2 people live there! Still 10 houses remained and the area was designated as Nation's Preservation District for Groups of Historic Buildings. We will try to improve the situation of the village by young voluntary power. Since 2016, Ozuchi village and NICE have started weekend workcamps and over 400 vols. joined here per year and love this village! Local host hope to pass this village down the next generations!</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: This village had become abandoned, but one of the former villagers was maintaining the terraced rice fields alone from his home in the town. But through the workcamps working together with him, he has gotten so empowered that he started living there again with his old mother since 2018! Please see the presentation made by the volunteer for the IVS contest in Japan; https://www.slideshare.net/nice-workcamp/2017e2 (only Japanese for the moment, but you can at least enjoy the pictures!)</p>								
3. Work	Main work is organizing and preparing for "English kids camp". For example, playing international games, cooking international meals and speaking with children. From 6 to 12 years old children enjoy international program in this village. Volunteer prepare though online for this program before coming here. International children also join this Kids program and communicate with local children. We possibly also support agriculture and do some other work for the community.								
4. Accommodation	Renovated house (traditional house!). Simple shower room. Clean toilet. Winter Sleeping bag is needed! Food will be cooked by volunteers. wi-fi and internet are nothing. There is a cat.								
5. Study theme	Best practice to revive depopulated areas in each country and their networking. Bring some info!								
6. Other activities	Exchange parties with local people, enjoy Japanese hot spring etc.								
7. Location	The southwest part of Ishikawa prefecture. Ozuchi village is surrounded by mountains, so very isolated, but beautiful place. Charcoal making was main industry.								
8. Terminal	Nearest Domestic terminal is "Komatsu". International airport is Osaka (Kansai) or Tokyo (Haneda/ Narita). From Osaka, 4 hours by express train. From Tokyo, 5 hours by express train/ 8 hours by highway bus (For taking night bus, you need to arrive by 17th afternoon/ can leave campsite after 22th noon.)								
9. Requirement	Only families (Children should be 6-12 years old) can join this program. Basically up to 4 persons (2 adults) per family. High motivation to work and cooperate. Respect to the local culture. Children also needed to communicate with local kids and support program.								
10. Participation fee	6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR) for adult and 8,000 JPY (about 65 EUR) for child of "NICE Volunteers" fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. This is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders and the meals and the accommodation are provided by the local host by free while 5,000 JPY of the child's fee is used to support a part of the meals cost.								
11. Language	English (Japanese is also welcomed!)								
12. Other	International workcamp member also join from 9th to 22nd Sep. (7 volunteers) Everyone support each other and spend same time here.								
Picture (Area)		Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)				
									

Code	Name	Location	Country	Start	End	Type	Vols.	Min age	Max age
NICE-20-V1016A	Awara VS1	Fukui	Japan	10/16	10/19	KIDS, MANU	7	18	99
NICE-20-V1218A	Awara VS2	Fukui	Japan	12/18	12/21	KIDS, MANU	7	18	99
1. Summary	Let's broaden perspective of kids through international voluntary service!								
2. Background	<p>This project is actively working for SDG 4 (Quality Education), organized together with Fukui Hito Machi Kaihatsu Keikaku, founded to making the community space for connecting local people and to renovating the local community. Honjo area in Awara city is famous for Fujino Genkuro, who is benefactor of Luxun to learn medical science in Japan. This group try to make international community space in this area and organize cross-cultural understanding programs for children. It is new project from 2016. Local host expect to communicate with local host.</p> <p>*Outcome of this workcamp: They expect to have new, global wind to activate the area!</p>								
3. Work	Volunteers will organize and support the English activity for children about cross-cultural understanding. Play together with local children. They will also help the local event in October.								
4. Accommodation	Volunteers stay in the traditional house. Please bring your sleeping bag. Meals will be cooked by volunteers by turns. We have wi-fi, toilet, simple shower room and kitchen.								
5. Study theme	Volunteers will get knowledge of good ways of interaction with kids.								
6. Other activities	Sightseeing, short trip (hot springs, famous places here), to join local events.								
7. Location	About 200 km north east of Osaka. Awara city is an agricultural city and famous for hot spring. It is close to Tojinbo (high cliffs, a natural treasure)								
8. Terminal	The closest international airport is Osaka,Kansai (3.5 hours by express train). From Tokyo (Narita/Haneda), 4 hours by bullet train/ 8 hours by highway bus. You need to arrive Japan by one day before of first day and can leave campsite on last day's noon).								
9. Requirement	Strong motivation for work with children, respect to the local custom and life, open mind and flexibility. Experience of communication with kids can be useful!								
10. Participation fee	12,000 JPY (about 100 EUR) of "NICE Volunteers" + additional fee needs to be paid in advance either by Paypal or through your sending NGO if they collect it in addition to their own inscription fee. 50% is used for the project preparation/ coordination such as the transportation of the camp leaders while the other 50% goes to the local host.								
11. Language	English and Japanese. Local people speak some English.								
12. Other	*KIDS FRIENDLY is important!								
Picture (Area)			Picture (Work)			Picture (Accommodation)			
									

“NICE Volunteers” and Fee

After the discussion with international and local partners, members and staff for several years, NICE has decided to create a new status of “NICE Volunteers” and its fee from 2020.

This is used for project preparation/ coordination such as transportation of camp leaders while the meals and the accommodation are still provided by most of the local hosts by free.

The situation may be quite common to many of other IVS NGOs not charging incoming fees NICE has been doing for 30 years till now. There are two main questions behind this new change;

* **How can/ should we finance the projects sustainably?**

Participation fee? Donation? Grants? Fundraising? Work impact? Non-paid staff? Or..?

* **How can/ should we strengthen links with ex. Volunteers?**

Why should they become “members” of only sending organizations, not hosting?

1. Why is it needed? Background situation

1-1. Because we had serious financial loss in these 2 years (present situation)

We had 984,659 JPY (8,260 EUR) minus in 2018 and 6,294,429 JPY (52,800 EUR) minus in 2019 even though the number of Japanese vols. keep increasing every year since 2012. We actually kept having special projects from 2009 to 2017 with Agricultural Ministry (National LTVs), HSBC (rehabilitation post-earthquake areas), etc., but they were additional and temporary ones, so we recognize that IVS pure finance brings minus that needs to be changed.

1-2. Because it's reasonable to get income from what we work (structural reform)

There are so many potential places and vols where IVS projects can effectively create great impact toward a peaceful, fair and sustainable world. However, it is difficult to organized more (qualified) projects without sufficient human resources. Many parts of our projects are sustained by vols and voluntary spirits of the paid staff, but there is limit. Project coordination needs a certain amount of money for the transportation, staff salary, meetings, etc.

So far, most of IVS NGOs in expensive countries manage the projects and exchange by exempting the fee from incoming vols. and charging it from outgoing vols.

This makes sense on one hand and NICE keeps respecting/ accepting it for 30 years since

* Vols. are living in the same economy (salary and prices) as Sending NGOs.

* It may be natural and healthy that NGOs are sustained mainly by the people living there.

* Outgoing placement does not cost a lot, so the income can afford to support incoming one.

But this way can work well only when outgoing and incoming work is balanced. Then, some NGOs charge “Balance Fee” that seems one of solutions, but then some NGOs ask vols. to pay this extra charge. But many NGOs nowadays use the global database and placement tools (OPS, PLATO, E-vet, etc.) with the same project description, so it is difficult to charge differently from them.

There can be other ways to generate income such as donation, grants and fundraising that we also try and diversify the income resources, but they are not stable nor powerful enough. We also think to get income from the local hosts or local/ national governments for the impact of our voluntary work and other exchange activities and it is half done since they provide meals and accommodations to the vols., but difficult to get more than that.

Most of IVS NGOs in less expensive countries charge incoming fee as their main income that has been accepted since they have bigger disadvantage to find outgoing vols. But should it be divided so extremely? Actually, it is also hard for the hosts in expensive countries to provide meals by free, but they still make big efforts since the projects are valuable and beneficial. And more NGOs in expensive countries start charging the incoming fee in these years.

1-3. Because Incoming vols. have potential to work together more (networking vision)

It is reasonable and necessary that they become members of Sending NGOs, but why not to be also of Hosting NGOs? Actually, we've seen some are already doing with sending newsletters, etc. We don't think, being active with Hosting NGOs makes being with Sending NGOs less active. Or it may possibly make them even more active by connecting 2 NGOs in the same movement.

Many of the volunteers seem to have stronger attachment to the hosting side rather than sending side and some are already actively connected without having membership, but this can be promoted more strongly by having such status and scheme.

2. Who will be “NICE Volunteers” to pay the fee?

All Incoming Volunteers to join the IVS projects from 2020 Jul. in Japan organized by NICE (very short/ short/ mid. term workcamps incl. bilateral/ group ones and individual type of LMTVs).

3. How much is the fee?

3-1. VSTV (less than a week) and STV (1 week - 1month): 6,000 JPY (about 50 EUR)

3-2. LMTV (1-12 months): 12,000 JPY per month (6,000 JPY from 4th month)

[Cancellation policy]

If NICE is informed of cancellation	NICE will refund
By 31 days before the project starts	100% of the paid amount minus the commission of PayPal
14-30 days before the project starts	50% of the paid amount minus the commission of PayPal
Later than 14 days before the project starts	Nothing

- * There is also **additional fee** in some projects like children in the family workcamps, teenagers in the teenage workcamps, etc. that amount is mentioned in each project description.
Participation fee of some bilateral/ group/ very short term workcamps will include NICE Volunteers fee.
- * Actually, the same amount of LMTV fee has been existing for several years already, but new points are;
 - + It was exempted for the partners which host LMTVs from NICE by free, but not any more (they need to pay now.)
 - + It was paid by cash on the arrival, but is now required to pay in advance as well as STVs and VTSVs.
- * This is charged for every time of participation even from the repeaters of the same project/ year.
- * The original plan was 10,000 JPY for VSTV and STV for our financial needs, but has been greatly reduced as above. There was also a plan to charge Visa fee (actual postal and document cost) of 30-50 EUR to those who need our invitation letters, but not charged for 2020 considering the burden and the fact that it our out of their control.

4. How the fee will be used?

Project coordination cost that's been usually not covered by any specific income such as;

- * Transportation to the projects (incl. potential ones) by Camp Leaders and Coordinating Staff members
- * Transportation and logistics of Camp Leader Training and of Local Partners Summit
- * A small part of Salary of Coordinating/ Incoming Placement Staff incl. status maintenance

Meals and Accommodation of most of projects are still provided by the local hosts by free

that is very important for our principle and values of the projects. So, please make sure that volunteers should not complain about the simple life conditions with saying “I paid bra bra” since all the money they paid is used for the management of their sending organizations (and this new fee to NICE) while each local project does not get any.

5. What are the benefits to become “NICE Volunteers”?

5-1. Join the Facebook group of the participating project

Some groups are already created for LMTVs, but NICE will created it for all the projects from 2020 as the common communication platform among new and ex. vols. of VSTV/ STV/ LMTV.

The way to join the group will be guided in the acceptance letter. This could be useful for the new vols. to;

- 😊 Communicate with other new vols. with whom they may want to travel together before/ after the project
- 😊 Communicate with ex. vols. to ask the things for better preparation without waiting for the info. sheets
- 😊 See how the project has been done (pictures of the work achievements, accommodation, local people, etc.)
This could be also nice for the ex. vols. to;
- 😊 See the results of their work (e.g., how the trees they planted have been grown) and other news of the host
- 😊 Be connected with other vols. who have joined the same project from the same country

5-2. Get a “NICE Volunteers” card and a certificate of participation

This could be issued by NICE electrically (upon request for the certificate) and possibly some useful for job hunting, school examination, etc.

5-3. Receive the e-newsletters and the NICE project lists 1-2 times a year.

Same info. will be anyway sent to the partner NGOs, but NICE Volunteers can directly get it at the same time!

5-4. Being invited to join the NICE gathering when staff or active member of NICE visited there

For example, when a few NICE staff members came to Paris to join the international meeting, we organized a Japan night in the office of our partner NGO in France with cooking Japanese food, presenting our projects, enjoying our cultures, etc. and gathered 50 people of ex. vols. (who also shared their experience), youth who are interested to come to Japan and join our projects, Japanese NICE members living in Paris for study, etc.

This kind of things can be done more easily and systematically if we have the status of NICE Volunteers and maintain the separate list of NICE volunteers in the database. Of course, it can be organized even without such an opportunity of our staff visit voluntarily by NICE Volunteers in partnership with NICE and its partner NGOs there.

5-5. Chance to more actively create actions and cooperation with NICE/ Local hosts

For example, some of Japanese vols. who joined the workcamps in Bangladesh started “Sister School Project” to facilitate exchange of children in the elementary schools between 2 countries in cooperation with NICE and BWCA. Also, one French vol. introduced organic tea made in one of NICE workcamps to the nature food shop in Paris, then the farmers group and the shop started business.

The similar things can be done by NICE volunteers more actively by having the platform and system to act as a bridge between two countries (e.g., organic farms, eco villages, children home, festivals, etc.)

5-6. Maybe get access to free home stay in the NICE members houses?

NICE used to call for the potential home to its members where the international vols. could be welcomed to stay before or after the workcamps. IF we get human resources, we will try to revive it.

5-7. Have free coffee and tea at our office in Tokyo/ Osaka

NICE Volunteers are welcomed to visit our offices in our working hours and possibly join our lunch.

6. How to pay the fee?

Each volunteer needs to pay the fee by PayPal by 31 days before the project starts at latest. If they are accepted later than that, they need to pay within 7 days from the acceptance.

[How to pay by PayPal]

1. Click the following link: https://PayPal.me/niceworkcamp?locale.x=ja_JP
2. Put the amount how much you will pay.
3. Sign in to your account with your e-mail address and password.
4. Choose how to pay. You can choose the credit card which you want to use.

* If you don't have a PayPal account yet, you can register and create your account by free and so easily (2 min.). Please follow the guidance and put your name, address and birthday and then, your card number or bank account.

* The commission for the senders (around 5% in PayPal) should be additionally paid by the volunteers while NICE will also pay the one for the receivers (around 5% in PayPal).

* If your sending NGO chooses to additionally collect or include it within their inscription fee by the agreement with NICE, they will directly inform the volunteers of it.

* NICE will explore the further possibilities such as credit card payment to NICE and Transfer wise that will be updated to the partner NGOs and accepted volunteers when happened.

7. Inquiry

Don't hesitate to ask any questions to;

If you join VTSV or STV: KAJITA Mami (Mami), STV Incoming Placement Officer of NICE in@nice1.gr.jp

If you join LMTV: ONO Yumiko (Yumi), LMTV Incoming Placement Officer of NICE in@nice1.gr.jp

NICE's vision and actions with SDGs

- NICE is actively working on SDGs initiated in/ together with NVDA! -



SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) was approved at the General Assembly of United Nations in 2015 Sep. <http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/#>

It is very important that the world works together for the better future especially in the recent situation. But also important that each of us digests SDGs and see what is agreeable or not by our own visions. Then, we will strongly work and cooperate with various stakeholders to achieve SDGs where we agree!

1. Make Local/ Project Goals (Local SDGs) and ADGs

- ☉ **Long term goals of communities and projects** they so far have anyway, no matter SDGs were made or not
- ☉ **Different from SDGs** (though the name may give the impression to implement SDGs in the local level), but we put the name of SDGs to be goals toward 2030, to find common/ different points as/ from SDGs.
- ☉ This is based on their own visions/ needs by bottom up approach and **not only say, but also do the actions!**

< Aims to make Local SDGs >

1. **Good for ourselves!** (make a better plan together, consolidate motivation & solidarity, get more vols)
2. **Good for the world!** (show another way of concrete goals, differently from UN with our own actions)
3. **Good for the movement!** (share the visions and actions, raise recognition from the society)

< Where can we make the goals? >

Any place where you can make your goals such as **your international/ weekend workcamps, LMTV projects, schools, offices, seminars**, etc. Especially, this can be quickly and effectively **utilized in a study part (in the evening or a rainy day) or the on arrivals orientation** of your workcamps starting from now!

2. Make a NICE's (modified) version of SDGs

- ☉ This will be a **good opportunity for us** to discuss and share each and common vision for the future world!
- ☉ We are a **colorful NGO**, so don't unite opinions, so, we will introduce minority's opinions.

From next page, we will introduce the NICE's modification that has been made, discussed and approved in the 2 EC meetings with some local and international partners and finally at its GA in 2016 Dec.!

3. Work to achieve the (modified) SDGs

1. **Indicate** which goals of SDGs are related in each project description (as some members already do!)
2. **Research the impact** for each goal in each project, then will collect and show them together.
3. **Work with UN agencies and other sectors/ organizations** to increase the impact of each project.
4. **Join or create the projects and actions** of UN agencies and other sectors/ organizations.
5. **Organize special projects or campaigns**

NICE's modified SDGs

- * This was made by the twice of Executive Committee meeting and the General Assembly of NICE in 2015 with over 100 staff, members and local/ international partners. IVP representative has agreed with some grammar correction.
- * We fully agree with the basic values (especially, "no one left behind") and principles of SDGs and over 80% of the goals besides the ones mentioned below (80%).
- * There are various different opinions on each topic and we do NOT force all volunteers/ partners to agree with this.

1.1 By 2030, eradicate extreme poverty for all people everywhere, **currently measured as people living on less than \$1.25 a day**
→ (Change) **that they can have minimum standard of life without lack of food, clothes, houses and other basic human needs, and a means to sustain themselves.**

1.a (and other places) ...**developing countries**
→ (Change) **Less expensive countries or Countries with lower GDP.**

2.4 By 2030, ensure sustainable food production systems and implement resilient agricultural...
→ (Add) **Convert the fundamental direction of agriculture by dramatically decreasing the use of pesticides and chemical fertilizer, combating GM crops, increasing self-sufficiency of each country, region and household and reviving/ developing organic/ natural farming.**

2.5 By 2020, maintain the genetic diversity of seeds, cultivated plants and farmed and...
→ (Add) **Escape from the situation that a few multi-national companies dominate the seeds as soon as possible and protect/ revive the native, multi year (not F1) seeds.**

2.b **Correct and prevent trade restrictions and distortions in world agricultural markets, including through the parallel elimination of all forms of agricultural export subsidies and all export measures with equivalent effect, in accordance with the mandate of the Doha Development Round**
→ (Change) **Protect local farming not to be destroyed by the free trade, change the direction fundamentally and enable each country and region can freely protect their life line of food production.**

3.2 By 2030, end preventable deaths of newborns and children under 5 years of age, with all countries aiming to reduce neonatal mortality to at least as low as 12 per 1,000 live births and under-5 mortality to at least as low as 25 per 1,000 live births.
→ (Add) **At the same time, promote family planning and social welfare not to increase poverty by the explosion.**

4.1 By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes.
→ (Add) **And promote good quality non-formal education.**

6.2 By 2030, achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all and end open defecation...
→ (Add) **that causes serious sanitation problems**
(Comment) **This action can be even better for nature and farming if we do it in a proper way rather than just throw them to the river away?**

7.1 By 2030, ensure universal access to affordable, reliable and **modern energy services**
→ (Change) **Renewable energy service without depending on unsustainable energy of nuclear and fossils**

8.4...**with developed countries taking the lead**
→ (Change) **by collaboration of all countries and stakeholders**

8.7 ...**end child labor in all its forms**
→ (Change) **end bad child labor while promote good children's work.**

9.c Significantly increase access to information and communications technology and strive to provide universal and affordable access to the Internet in least developed countries by 2020
→ (Add) **At the same time, promote education and do other policies to be able to use internet properly.**

c13.2 Integrate climate change measures into national policies, strategies and planning
→ (Add) **Limit the global emission within the nature's capacity (10 billion tons) and have equal amount of emission per person (1.4 tons if 7 billions population) not to increase the temperature over 1.5-2 degrees.**

16.4 By 2030, significantly reduce illicit financial and arms flows, strengthen the recovery and return of stolen assets and combat all forms of organized crime
→ (Add) **'all' before "arms".**
(Add) **Eliminate nuclear weapons and combat all the wars and terrorism.**

17.2 **Developed countries to implement fully their official development assistance commitments, including the commitment by many developed countries to achieve the target of 0.7 per cent of ODA/GNI to developing countries and 0.15 to 0.20 per cent of ODA/GNI to least developed countries; ODA providers are encouraged to consider setting a target to provide at least 0.20 per cent of ODA/GNI to least developed countries**
→ (Change) **Double the positive impact of ODA such as to elaborate the poverty, protect the environment and decrease half of negative impact.**

Example of Local SDGs

Local SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals)

Onuma (Hokkaido), Japan

Made by: **IKEDA Makoto (Japan, local coordinator)**, **KAIZAWA Shinichiro (Japan, project coordinator in NICE)**, **10 vols in the workcamp**

Relevant themes in SDGs: **(6,15)** 1. Poverty 2. Hunger 3. Health 4. Education 5. Gender 6. Water 7. Energy 8. Work 9. Infrastructure 10. Inequality 11. Cities 12. Consumption 13. Climate change 14. Oceans 15. Forests 16. Justice 17. Partnership

Background situations

Though Onuma lake has been a popular tourism spot for a long time because of its beautiful scenery, it has been **polluted** by over use of agricultural chemicals in cattle farming and erosion from abandoned forests with alien trees. President of Cooperative has bought a forest and wants to revive it to original nature with native trees!

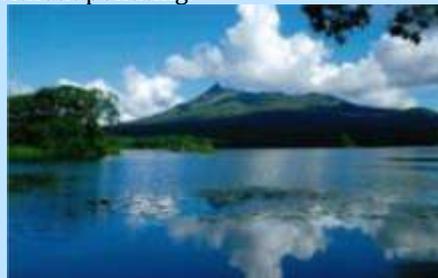


Goals in 2030

We would like to get the clean lake like 100 years ago where people can enjoy swimming and more various types of native fish and plants can be grown!

We also want the community with more active participation of all stakeholders such as young people, farmers, etc.

Tourists can enjoy the area in a more slow way not harming the nature and the farmers can keep cows without polluting.



As partial contribution in whole change!

Past actions & impact

We organize 2 weeks and 2 months workcamps since 2004 that **revived over 3 ha of forests by moving alien conifer trees** that disturb growth of other plants and animals and made water quality worse, **made 200 rafts with reeds every year** in the lake to purify the water and helped the research with some specialists. Onuma was registered by the world's Ramsar treaty thanks to the workcamps, the local host says. The projects also connected different people who did not work together.



New actions & impact

We will keep workcamps every year to create more and more impact to purify the lake with some new programs such as;

- * Promotion of using eco sponges to the locals
- * Hosting Longer term volunteers (e.g., 6 months)
- * Running eco-tourism with less negative impact

Personal actions!

- * Introduce to my friends by SNS.
- * Collect the fund for the materials.
- * Join the project again as LMTVs.
- * Link with the similar NGOs in my country!

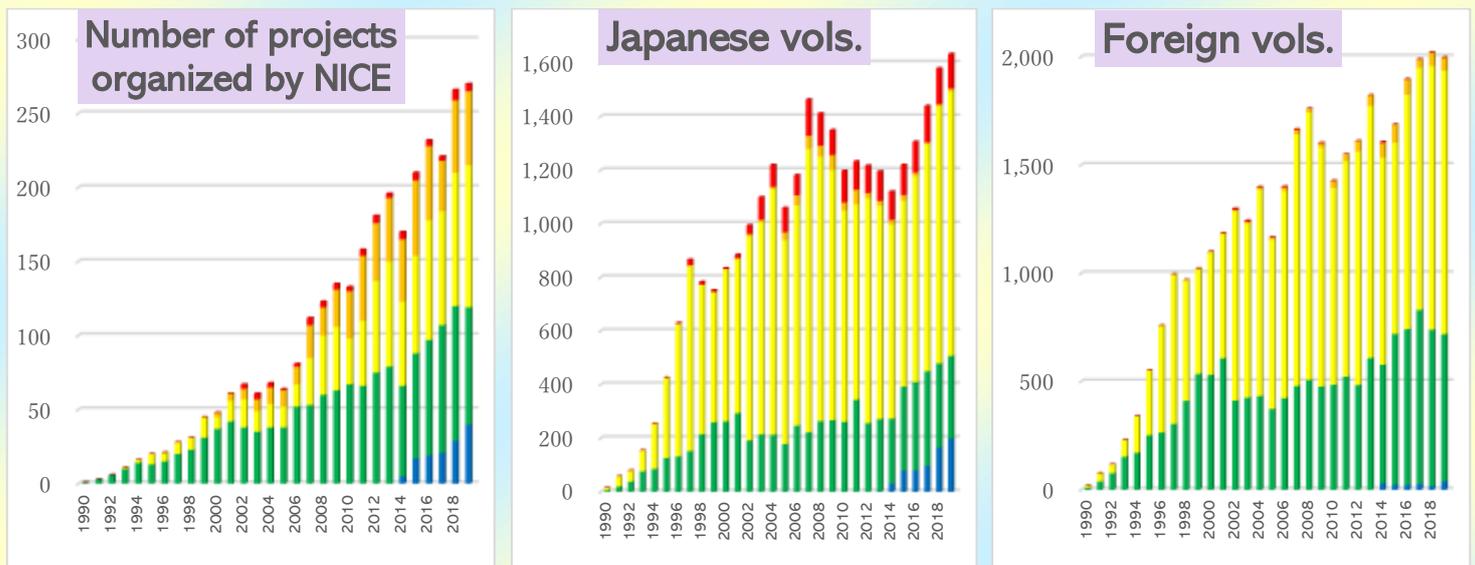
30th Anniversary of NICE 😊

(with 100th Anniversary of International Voluntary Service)

NICE was founded in 1990 Feb. 4th, so we are having the 30th Anniversary in 2020!
We could develop our organization and projects thanks to all the wonderful global volunteers and partners, so from the bottom of our heart appreciate to your friendship and collaboration!

* Some major figures in 30 years

They are just a small, symbolic part of various types of huge impact. A lot of beautiful passions, actions, cooperation and dramatic stories have been made all over the world!



Blue: VSTV abroad, Green: STV in Japan, Yellow: STV abroad, Orange: LMTV in Japan, Red: LMTV abroad

* VSTV in Japan (mostly weekend workcamps) is not included here.

* Memorial Fiesta for our 30th Anniversary

234 NICE members and local hosts gathered in Tokyo on Feb. 1-2 with a lot of fun!
(At least) 86 married couples made by workcamps were confirmed in our research 😊



* Memorial Actions for NICE's 30th and IVS's 100th Anniversary

Special 2 months caravan will be organized in mid Jul. - mid Sep. to visit 24 short term/ weekend workcamps and LMTV projects and to organize "Workcamp Nights" all over Japan.

😊 SDGs Tanabata Action will be organized throughout the year in the workcamps, LMTVs, events, festivals, etc. to do practical actions and collect "my actions" on the piece of paper.

😊 Final event will be held in Dec. 19-20 together with the 9th IVS Contest of Japan in Tokyo where guests of various stakeholders will be invited 2050 Goals of NICE will be finalized.