

全年計畫主題速寫

- SEEDS 031 協助恢復越野駕駛受損土地與修復綠皮建築
- SEEDS 034 協助植物園維護以及相關導覽活動(植物園保存近 5000 種植物)
- SEEDS 032 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 033 清理遠足者山屋與附近自然環境美化(地區偏遠專門為遠足者或是特地來到的旅客而建造)
- SEEDS 035 青少年計畫(16~20) 青少年國際攝影馬拉松計畫(主旨為探討冰島文化以及環境問題，自備攝影器材)
- SEEDS 036 防止植被侵蝕及監測人工林生長工作營(主旨為瞭解環境問題並研究解決方法)
- SEEDS 038 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 041 青少年計畫(16~20) 青少年國際攝影馬拉松計畫(主旨為探討冰島文化以及環境問題，自備攝影器材)
- SEEDS 042 自行車道維護與滑雪斜坡維護工作營(在 Skálafell 這個區域，滑雪場一到冬天會改建成自行車公園做一整年的利用)
- SEEDS 043 協助駐地藝術家作品維護以及搭建工作營
- SEEDS 045 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 044 防止植被侵蝕及監測人工林生長工作營(主旨為瞭解環境問題並研究解決方法)
- SEEDS 048 青少年計畫(16~20) 青少年國際攝影馬拉松計畫(主旨為探討冰島文化以及環境問題，自備攝影器材)
- SEEDS 051 在 Magnahellir 和 Dimmugljúfur 景點區整理洞穴、維護步道以及清理 Laugavellir 地熱區環境整潔
- SEEDS 052 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 055 自行車道維護與滑雪斜坡維護工作營(在 Skálafell 這個區域，滑雪場一到冬天會改建成自行車公園做一整年的利用)
- SEEDS 056 協助植物園維護以及相關導覽活動(植物園保存近 5000 種植物)
- SEEDS 059 維護修復森林小徑並協助美化樹林
- SEEDS 057 青少年計畫(16~20) 青少年國際攝影馬拉松計畫(主旨為探討冰島文化以

- 及環境問題，自備攝影器材)
- SEEDS 058 防止植被侵蝕及監測人工林生長工作營(主旨為瞭解環境問題並研究解決方法)
- SEEDS 060 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 062 維護修復森林小徑並協助美化樹林
- SEEDS 064 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 065 協助植物園維護以及相關導覽活動(植物園保存近 5000 種植物)(30 歲以上參與)
- SEEDS 068 青少年計畫(16~20) 青少年國際攝影馬拉松計畫(主旨為探討冰島文化以及環境問題，自備攝影器材)
- SEEDS 070 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 075 協助植物園維護以及相關導覽活動(植物園保存近 5000 種植物)(40 歲以上參與)
- SEEDS 076 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 077 青少年計畫(16~20) 青少年國際攝影馬拉松計畫(主旨為探討冰島文化以及環境問題，自備攝影器材)
- SEEDS 079 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 080 協助植物園維護以及相關導覽活動(植物園保存近 5000 種植物)
- SEEDS 082 青少年計畫(16~20) 青少年國際攝影馬拉松計畫(主旨為探討冰島文化以及環境問題，自備攝影器材)
- SEEDS 083 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 084 清理遠足者山屋與附近自然環境美化(地區偏遠專門為遠足者或是特地來到的旅客而建造)
- SEEDS 085 青少年計畫(16~20) 青少年國際攝影馬拉松計畫(主旨為探討冰島文化
- SEEDS 086 研討環境問題與進行沿海垃圾狩獵
- SEEDS 087 森林步道與階梯修復與建造長椅及森林標誌(目的為保持觀光客安全)
- SEEDS 090 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動)
- SEEDS 088 協助 Viðey 島環境美化工作營(園藝/修護人行道/撿拾垃圾)
- SEEDS 089 協助植物園維護以及相關導覽活動(植物園保存近 5000 種植物)
- SEEDS 091 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動)

以及參加極光拍攝和電影節的活動)

- SEEDS 092 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動以及參加極光拍攝)
- SEEDS 093 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動以及參加極光拍攝)
- SEEDS 094 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動以及參加極光拍攝和音樂節活動)
- SEEDS 095 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動以及參加極光拍攝)
- SEEDS 097 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動以及參加極光拍攝)
- SEEDS 098 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動以及參加極光拍攝，同時配合節慶協助市區分發巧克力)
- SEEDS 099 氣候與環境主題攝影工作營(自備拍攝用具，會參與戶外、沿海清潔活動以及參加極光拍攝，同時參與當地跨年活動)

*志工伙伴如果有找到心儀的計畫，可以用 Ctrl+F 搜尋計畫代碼，瞭解完整計畫資訊！

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SEEDS

VOLUNTEERING FOR ICELAND

SEEDS Iceland was founded in 2005 as a non-governmental, non-profit volunteer organisation with international scope. Our main activities relate to the promotion of environmental protection and awareness, intercultural understanding and peace, through voluntary work on social, cultural and environmental projects in Iceland.

We aim to empower, inform and expand the horizons of people of all ages, cultures, and backgrounds, to inform and share with them about the world in which we live and to take an active role in its future development.

SEEDS provides opportunities to live, learn, understand and experience, while sharing and cooperating with others from different cultures and backgrounds.



SEEDS Projects & Activities

SEEDS works closely with local communities, local authorities and other Icelandic associations. Jointly we develop projects aimed at fulfilling an identified need or to help in the development of particular actions that are already being undertaken. Projects are designed to be mutually beneficial to all involved: the volunteers or participants, the local hosting communities and Iceland as a whole!

By having a diverse array of projects and bringing together people from different backgrounds, creating more opportunities; we try to fulfil our vision and build on our founding ideas.

Activities developed by SEEDS include:

- Voluntary Service
- International learning camps & Exchanges
- Internships and lifelong learning programmes.
- Awareness raising initiatives and campaigns
- Seminars & training sessions
- Cultural, arts and education exhibitions.

Our projects in Iceland are funded and supported by:

- Contributions from participants and volunteers in the projects
- Erasmus+ Programme of the European Commission.
- Engagement of our long-term volunteers and interns.
- Additional non-financial contributions in kind from the local hosts of the projects.

We are members of the Icelandic National Youth Council (LÆF), the Icelandic Environment Association (LANDVERND), the Senior European Volunteers Exchange Network (SEVEN) and work actively as partner organisation of the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organisations (The Alliance) and Service Civil International (SCI).

During 2018 we organised more than 100 different projects located in every corner of Iceland; we hosted more than 1000 International volunteers from 55 different countries, who performed about 100.000 hours of valuable volunteer work! In this time we increased our work with various environmental protection and conservation projects and we also raised the number of projects related to arts, cultural activities, festivals and sports events.

Volunteers performed different types of tasks, for instance ecological research, removing invasive growth, building hiking trails, cleaning up the coastline, reforestation and erosion control work as well as construction or renovation of heritage monuments or community centres. In the cultural/festival/sport events related jobs, SEEDS came into action helping in their organisation and also taking part actively in the events.

We bring together volunteers and hosts from different nationalities and backgrounds, aiming at building up international understanding and encouraging peace, while working for an identified need within a community.

Many of our participants want to visit Iceland and get to know the country from a different perspective, being able to interact with locals and at the same time dedicating some of their time to learn or support projects, addressing specific needs and wishes of the hosts and participants.

The rewards for the volunteers, participants, communities and ecosystems are massive, while interacting with local and foreign participants, they learn about local and foreign cultures, have the opportunity to build friendships; while, they develop new skills working in challenging and unfamiliar surroundings.



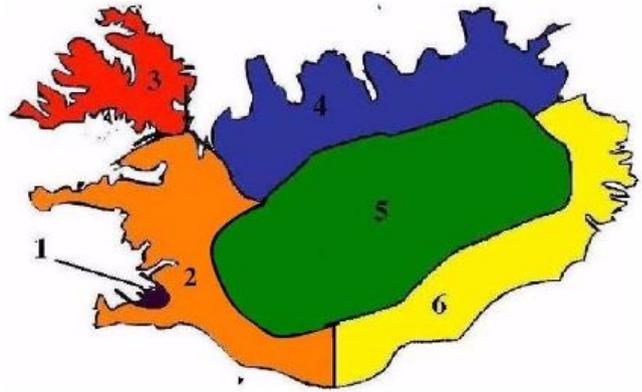
SEEDS Iceland - List of camps for 2020

For easy browsing and navigation, you can click on the hyperlinks on each project name/location in the table to go directly to the workcamps' description. To return to this table, you can click on each description's title.

* Camp types or themes:

AGRI (Agriculture)
 ARTS (Cultural, arts)
 CONS (Construction)
 CULT (Cultural)
 ENVI (Environment - Nature)
 FEST (Festival)
 HERI (Heritage)
 LANG (Language learning)
 RENO (Renovation, construction, restoration)
 SPORTS (Sports events and healthy lifestyle)

Location/Area in the Icelandic map:



Code	Name/Location	Dates	Type*	Vol s.	Age	Area
SEEDS 001.	Photography, Environment & Northern Lights	08.01 - 17.01	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 004.	Photography & Environment - Dark Music Days	21.01 - 30.01	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 006.	Environment & Photography - Lights Festival	03.02 - 12.02	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8	18+	1
SEEDS 008.	Photography & Environment in February	17.02 - 26.02	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 010.	Photography & Environmentally Aware in Reykjavik	02.03 - 11.03	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 011.	Photo Marathon & Environmentally Aware in March	13.03 - 22.03	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 012.	Photography & Sustainability - Design Festival	25.03 - 03.04	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 013.	Easter Photography & Environment in Reykjavik	08.04 - 17.04	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 017.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik (1/9)	19.04 - 02.05	ENVI / NATU	6	20+	1
SEEDS 014.	Environment & Photography - Sonar & Children's Fest.	20.04 - 29.04	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 019.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavik	04.05 - 12.05	ENVI / SUST / EDU	8	18+	1
SEEDS 021.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik (2/9)	10.05 - 23.05	ENVI / NATU	6	20+	1
SEEDS 022.	Island of Viðey (½)	12.05 - 21.05	ENVI / CONS	7	18+	1
SEEDS 025.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavik	18.05 - 26.05	ENVI / SUST / EDU	8	18+	1
SEEDS 028.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik (3/9)	24.05 - 06.06	ENVI / NATU	6	20+	1
SEEDS 029.	Pathway to the volcano	26.05 - 04.06	ENVI / CONS	8	18+	2

SEEDS 030.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavik	29.05 - 06.06	ENVI / SUST / EDU	8	18+	1
SEEDS 031.	The Highlands North of Vatnajökull glacier	07.06 - 19.06	CONS/RENO/ENVI	8	18+	5
SEEDS 034.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik (4/9)	07.06 - 20.06	ENVI / NATU	6	20+	1
SEEDS 032.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	08.06 - 16.06	ENVI / SUST / EDU	12	18+	1
SEEDS 033.	Highlands of Iceland – The Famous Kjölur road (1/2)	08.06 - 22.06	ENVI/RENO/CONS	9	18+	5
SEEDS 035.	Photography & Midnight Sun in Reykjavik	11.06 - 20.06	ARTS/CULT	8	16-20	1
SEEDS 036.	Revegetation in the South-west of Iceland (1/3)	11.06 - 25.06	ENVI / NATU	13	18+	2
SEEDS 038.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	16.06 - 24.06	ENVI/SUST/EDU	12	18+	1
SEEDS 041.	Summer Solstice & Photography Reykjavik	20.06 - 28.06	ARTS / CULT	8	16-20	1
SEEDS 042.	Hitting the slopes - Blue Mountains & Skálafell (1/2)	21.06 - 05.07	CONS/ENVI/RENO	8	18+	2
SEEDS 043	Between Glaciers & Lava	22.06 - 03.07	ARTS/CULT/CONS	8	18+	2
SEEDS 045.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	24.06 - 02.07	ENVI/SUST/EDU	12	18+	1
SEEDS 044.	Revegetation in the South-west of Iceland (2/3)	25.06 - 10.07	ENVI / NATU	13	18+	2
SEEDS 048.	Midnight Sun & Photography in Reykjavik	28.06 - 06.07	ARTS / CULT	8	16-20	1
SEEDS 051.	Caves and Canyons in the East of Iceland	01.07 - 15.07	ENVI / CONS	8	18+	6
SEEDS 052.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	02.07 - 10.07	ENVI / SUST / EDU	8	18+	1
SEEDS 055.	Hitting the slopes - Blue Mountains & Skálafell (2/2)	05.07 - 19.07	CONS/ENVI/RENO	8	18+	2
SEEDS 056.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik (5/9)	05.07 - 18.07	ENVI / NATU	6	20+	1
SEEDS 059.	Forestry & hiking trails in the West (1/2)	08.07 - 15.07	ENVI/NATU/CONS	8	18+	2
SEEDS 057.	July Photo Marathon in Reykjavik	09.07 - 18.07	ARTS / CULT	8	16-20	1
SEEDS 058.	Revegetation in the South-west of Iceland (3/3)	10.07 - 24.07	ENVI / NATU	13	18+	2
SEEDS 060.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	10.07 - 18.07	ENVI / SUST / EDU	8	18+	1
SEEDS 062.	Forestry & hiking trails in the West (2/2)	15.07 - 22.07	ENVI/NATU/CONS	8	18+	2
SEEDS 064.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	19.07 - 27.07.	ENVI/SUST/EDU	12	18-	1
SEEDS 065.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik 30+ (6/9)	19.07 - 01.08	ENVI / NATU	6	30+	1
SEEDS 068.	Summer Photography in Reykjavik	23.07 - 01.08	ARTS / CULT	8	16-20	1
SEEDS 070.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	27.07 - 04.08	ENVI/SUST/EDU	12	18+	1
SEEDS 075.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik 40+ (7/9)	03.08 - 15.08	ENVI / NATU	6	40+	1
SEEDS 076.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	04.08 - 12.08	ENVI/SUST/EDU	12	18+	1
SEEDS 077.	Summer Photo Marathon in Reykjavik	06.08 - 15.08	ARTS / CULT	8	16-20	1
SEEDS 079.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	12.08 - 20.08	ENVI/SUST/EDU	12	18+	1
SEEDS 080.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik (8/9)	16.08 - 29.08	ENVI / NATU	6	20+	1

SEEDS 082.	August Photo Marathon in Reykjavik	20.08 - 29.08	ARTS / CULT	8	16-20	1
SEEDS 083.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	24.08 - 01.09	ENVI / SUST / EDU	8	18+	1
SEEDS 084.	Highlands of Iceland - The Famous Kjölur Road (2/2)	24.08 - 07.09	ENVI/RENO/CONS	15	18+	5
SEEDS 085.	September Photo Marathon in Reykjavik	01.09 - 10.09	ARTS / CULT	8	16-20	1
SEEDS 086.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting	01.09 - 09.09	ENVI / SUST / EDU	8	18+	1
SEEDS 087.	Forestry in the far East of Iceland	06.09 - 19.09	NATU / ENVI/CONS	7	18+	6
SEEDS 090.	Environment & Photography - September	13.09 - 22.09	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	12	18+	1
SEEDS 088.	Island of Viðey (2/2)	15.09 - 24.09	ENVI / CONS	7	18+	1
SEEDS 089.	Botanical gardens in Reykjavik (9/9)	20.09 - 03.10	ENVI / NATU	6	20+	1
SEEDS 091.	Environment & Photography - Film	25.09 - 04.10	ENVI / ARTS / CULT	12	18+	1
SEEDS 092.	Environment & Photography - October	07.10 - 16.10	ENVI / ARTS / CULT	12	18+	1
SEEDS 093.	Environment & Photography - Winter	19.10 - 28.10	ENVI / ARTS / CULT	12	18+	1
SEEDS 094.	Environment & Photography - Waves	30.10 - 08.11	ENVI / ARTS / CULT	12	18+	1
SEEDS 095.	Environment & Photography - November	17.11 - 26.11	ENVI / ARTS / CULT	12	18+	1
SEEDS 097.	Advent Environment & Photography in Reykjavik	30.11 - 09.12	ENVI / ARTS / CULT	12	18+	1
SEEDS 098.	Christmas time in Reykjavik - Environment & Photog.	14.12 - 23.12	ENVI / ARTS / CULT	12	18+	1
SEEDS 099.	Environment & Photography - New Year Reykjavik	28.12 - 06.01	ENVI / ARTS / CULT	12	18+	1
Code	Name/Location	Dates	Type*	Vols.	Age	Area

Practical information about our projects:

1. Participation Fees.

Participation/Contribution fees are asked to take part in our camps, which helps to support the ongoing work of SEEDS. Please note that your entire fee **might not necessarily** go towards your particular camp, the fees collected by SEEDS are mainly used to:

- Bear the administrative expenditures of the association: Salaries, rent, office bills (energy, phone, electricity, insurance, heating), personnel, external representation, mail, website, postage, equipment, supplies, banking costs, legal formalities, etc.
- Provision of financial support and resources to aid develop of some of our other activities (eg. to pay food and/or accommodation in some of the projects, where the hosts do not provide it, co-funding for our long-term voluntary service projects and the development of particular sessions during the camps).
- Cover other costs associated with your camp, e.g. food/accommodation costs, transport, rental/fuel costs, administrative costs and also supporting costs of the long term volunteers and project coordinators.

Most European organisations similar to SEEDS raise funds by sending volunteers abroad, charging outgoing volunteers a registration fee; while we in Iceland face a particular double-folded challenge as voluntary service is not very attractive to Icelanders, additional to the fact that the Icelandic population is quite reduced. Therefore the amount of volunteers sent by SEEDS overseas does not represent a considerable income to run our association.

Furthermore, SEEDS does not receive any governmental funding or financial support from our local, regional or national government. In the meantime SEEDS is taking actions in order to send more Icelanders overseas and to raise funds in different ways to expand our sources of income.

Thanks to the fees contributed by our participants we are able to run the association and to offer the programme of projects all year round. The amount of the fees will be stated in each camp's description.

SEEDS is a non-profit organisation, and all funds go back into improving the quality and service we provide to our participants, volunteers and hosts, expanding the range of SEEDS projects and carrying out projects in areas where funds are not available or to provide food and accommodation to individuals and groups joining our activities.

2. Insurance.

Volunteers and participants in our camps need to obtain health and accident insurance for the whole duration of their travel, prior to the arrival to Iceland and bring with them all needed documents, contact numbers, etc.

European volunteers are advised to take with them the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC).

Iceland is part of the European Economic Area (EEA) so volunteers residing in a member country of the EU or of the EEA and Switzerland benefit here from the use of EHIC, having access to the Icelandic Health system as in any European country in the same conditions as Icelandic citizens and will be treated on the same basis as a resident of Iceland.

Volunteers residing outside the (EEA) must seek private medical/travel insurance for the duration of the stay. It is strongly advised that this is obtained before leaving the country of residence, as the cost of insuring in Iceland will be much higher.

Volunteers without insurance will not be allowed to participate in our projects.

3. Transport to Iceland.

We suggest our volunteers to research travel with different airlines/alternatives as fares for different companies may vary significantly according to the dates of travel. There are 7 airlines flying to Keflavik (Reykjavík) International Airport all year round:

1. **Icelandair:** www.icelandair.net
2. **EasyJet:** www.easyjet.com
3. **Scandinavian Airlines(SAS):** www.scandinavian.net www.flysas.com www.flysas.is
4. **Norwegian:** www.norwegian.no
5. **Wizzair:** www.wizzair.com
6. **Primera Air:** www.primeraair.is

To check the **map routes** and destinations for **Icelandair**, please click to [Icelandair route map](#)
Scandinavian Airlines (SAS) & **Norwegian** might be a good option for volunteers coming from Northern Europe and the Baltic countries (direct flights from Oslo). Wizzair often has incredibly cheap flights from more destinations around Europe since the end of 2016.

Apart from these 7 airlines, there will be a few others flying to Iceland during the summer of 2019:

- a. **Adria Airways:** www.adria.si
- b. **Aer Lingus:** www.aerlingus.com
- c. **Air Berlin:** www.airberlin.com
- d. **Air Greenland:** www.airgreenland.com
- e. **Alitalia:** www.alitalia.com
- f. **Atlantic Airways:** www.atlantic.fo
- g. **Austrian Airlines:** www.austrian.com
- h. **British Airways:** www.ba.com
- i. **Corendon Airways:** www.corendon-airlines.com
- j. **Delta Airlines:** www.delta.com
- k. **Edelweiss Air:** www.flyedelweiss.com
- l. **Evelop Airlines:** www.evelop.com
- m. **Germanwings:** www.germanwings.com
- n. **Jet Time:** www.jet-time.dk
- o. **Lufthansa :** www.lufthansa.com
- p. **Luxair:** www.luxair.lu
- q. **Niki:** www.flyniki.com
- r. **Primera Air:** www.primeraair.com
- s. **Thomas Cook Airlines:** www.thomascookairlines.be
- t. **ThomsonFly:** www.edreams.com
- u. **Transavia France:** www.transavia.com
- v. **Vueling:** www.vueling.com

Volunteers might find good deals and help with connecting flights and general trip planning at:

www.skyscanner.net
www.ebookers.com

www.dohop.com
www.opodo.com

www.edreams.com
www.kayak.com

Last, if volunteers have plenty of time to spare, the **Smyril Line** operates a ferry service to the east of Iceland. This is a four to seven day sea adventure for travellers and stops off at the Faroe Isles on the way! (<http://www.smyrilline.com/>)

4. Arrival and Departure dates.

Volunteers participating in our projects taking place **out of Reykjavík should arrive to Iceland the latest one day before the camp** starts, as travel to the project, if arranged by SEEDS (see point 5 below), will leave Reykjavík on the first day of the camp in the morning.

If volunteers choose to go by different means, they might need more than one day to reach the destination by public transportation services. In the same way, volunteers shall not book their **return journey** the day the camp ends, **the earliest one day after the camp finishes**. In this way volunteers ensure they will be able to join the camp for its full length.

Participants in our camps in Reykjavík do not need to arrive one day earlier to Iceland as they can reach the accommodation the same day of arrival.

From former volunteers' feedback you should consider staying longer in Iceland; before or/and after the project. Volunteers may group together and decide to travel the country and visit different areas to those of the project itself.

5. Domestic transport - Minibus.

SEEDS organises shared transport from Reykjavík to the projects' sites for all of the camps outside the city. The meeting point will be in Reykjavík on the first day of the camp, in the morning.

The "minibus option" is offered by SEEDS to volunteers in order to provide them a more convenient way to reach the camp, to allow them to meet their fellow campers and leaders earlier, and to have a relaxed trip to the camp location, with the opportunity to visit particular sites on the way and stop where possible (e.g. to take pictures or take a short walk).

We try to research all possible transportation to the projects and then offer a fair price for transportation compared with the public transport options available. We recommend that you take the minibus, but please feel free to investigate your own transport.

6. SEEDS Accommodation in Reykjavik.

Volunteers do not need to book any accommodation for the period of the camp, as SEEDS provides accommodation and food during the project, but you will need accommodation on the days before or/and after the workcamp.

7. Language.

Icelandic knowledge is not needed in our projects. English is the language used by our leaders and messengers. Therefore, basic knowledge is expected from participants, even though it is not a requirement to fulfil.

8. Age.

We usually host volunteers aged 18 or over, nevertheless, in recent years we hosted few teenagers in our projects with very positive results.

Volunteers under the age of 18 need to apply through a slightly different procedure, which involves parental/guardian authorisation. We do not have any upper age limit. So far our youngest volunteer was 15 and the oldest 70!

9. Conditions of Participation.

In order to be fully aware of volunteers and participants' responsibilities during the camps, please read carefully the following:

- Participants are expected to be active members of the group and contribute to work, housekeeping and free time activities.
- Volunteers are expected to work seven to eight hours per day, five days per week, on a voluntary basis.
- Your independence will be respected during the camp but the camp-leader has the ultimate responsibility for you and your safety during our camp in Iceland thus they will have to sort out the problems if you get lost or injured. If you wish to do an activity independently of the group, you must discuss it with the camp leaders and they must be fully aware of your plans.
- Participants are expected to inform the camp-leader in case they want to spend the free time away from the camp. However, they should not spend the night away, nor host other people at the camp.
- SEEDS camp-leaders have been trained to run the camps; they are responsible for organising work, food, contacts with local authorities and many other things. Do not forget that they are volunteers as well, so try to cooperate with them at work and during free time activities. Camp-leaders are not fully responsible for organising volunteers' free time and they expect their ideas and contribution to do so.
- Smoking is not allowed in the accommodation areas. Use of alcohol should be moderate with consideration and only during free time.
- Participants are expected to stay for the whole duration of the camp. If you **MUST** leave early or arrive late, you should contact SEEDS in advance.
- Keep in mind that the use of any kind of drugs is strictly forbidden.
- Volunteers without insurance will not be allowed to participate in our projects.
- SEEDS does not accept any kind of discrimination in our camps and such cases will be strictly dealt with.
- Individuals participating in SEEDS camps acknowledge and agree that they are solely responsible for determining their ability, fitness and suitability to participate. If there are any physical problems or conditions that would impair volunteers ability to participate in the camps they should let SEEDS know in advance.
- SEEDS or any third party that SEEDS works with, such as hosts and municipalities, is/are not accountable for any damages, losses, injuries and liabilities. Participants agree not to file any claims.
- Participants in SEEDS projects hereby release, discharges, hold harmless and indemnify SEEDS, its affiliates and their respective members, employees, projects hosts and representatives from all damages, losses, injuries, liabilities, claims demands and causes of action for personal injury, death or damage to personal property.

We would like to remind you that SEEDS is **NOT** an alternative travel agency; our projects are not cheap holidays. Therefore we expect a high level of motivation from every participant, cooperation, flexibility and open-mindedness!

Our camps are based on self-organisation and self-management and this is also what makes them unique and enriching! Please do not expect the leader to organise everything for the group, but be ready to contribute with your own ideas and personality.

10. Additional information.

For more details and up to date information please visit us at www.seeds.is

Or contact us via email at: contact@seeds.is

Or at our phone number: [+354-7713300](tel:+354-7713300)

If you want to check some pictures from our projects in the last years, please visit:

<http://www.seeds.is/galleries>

or

<https://www.instagram.com/seedsiceland/>

You can also follow SEEDS on facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/seedsiceland>



SEEDS 001. Photography, Environment & Northern Lights

08.01 - 17.01

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) photography, as well as global & local environmental issues. If you love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills and are also interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), then this project is for you!

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 380** (Euros) which can be transferred in advance or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on January 8 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

The weather can be cold or rainy, we recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as some of the tasks and activities take place outside.

Other excursions (eg. South shore or Reykjanes Peninsula) may be arranged at discount fares, in case there is additional free time after the workshops and camp's sessions.

SEEDS 004. Photography & Environment - Dark Music Days

21.01 - 30.01

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) photography, as well as global & local environmental issues. If you love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills and are also interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), then this project is for you!

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The Dark Music Days Festival is an annual festival of contemporary and new music, which takes place during the darkest period of the Icelandic winter. **Please note that SEEDS does not provide tickets.** If you want to purchase tickets please check their website for details: <http://www.darkmusicdays.is>

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with showers, kitchen, washing machine and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared/dormitory rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag. We will receive food supplies and the group will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music games or recipes from your country for the international evening.

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TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

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Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on January 21 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik.

The weather can be cold or rainy, we recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as some of the tasks and activities take place outside.

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[SEEDS 006. Environment & Photography - Lights Festival](#)

03.02 - 12.02

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

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During your stay, the Winter Lights Festival will take place. Darkness will be illuminated by light shows and a lot of events take place around the city. Usually there is also the Museums and the Pool night. Most events are free of charge. For more information and details, please check <http://winterlightsfestival.is/>

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workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on February 3 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik.

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[SEEDS 008. Photography & Environment in February](#)

17.02 - 26.02

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

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[SEEDS 010. Photography & Environmentally Aware in Reykjavik](#)

02.03 - 11.03

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

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Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on March 2 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

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[SEEDS 011. Photo Marathon & Environmentally Aware in March](#)

13.03 - 22.03

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 -12 Participants

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Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on March 13 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

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[SEEDS 012. Photography & Sustainability in Reykjavik - Design Festival](#)

25.03 - 03.04

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) photography, as well as global & local environmental issues. If you love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills and are also interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), then this project is for you!

While developing your artistic and technical photography skills, you will also be focusing on different current environmental and sustainability issues through a selection of workshops, discussions, and visits facilitated by SEEDS coordinators. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will also have time to put the theory into practice, and walk around and visually explore the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible. Participants should be ready to walk around the city for different activities and visits.

We may also get the chance to visit local projects focused on environment and conservation, which can include hands-on volunteering activities or guided visits. Some examples include coastal and outdoors cleaning actions, a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition or a community dinner at a local NGO. These, however, are dependent on the availability of our partners and the weather conditions at the time.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. Everybody is expected to contribute their own knowledge and experience. Participants should also take advantage of the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

SEEDS programme combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, as exploring the capital city and some stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle excursion or other visits part of the camp.

In this project SEEDS will organize a night photography and Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop to the countryside in the close vicinity of Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night.

We cannot guarantee you will see northern lights as solar activity is irregular and it depends on weather and meteorological conditions but we will in any case organise the night photography workshop.

During this time, there are great events for design lovers, the Design March (March 25-29), which is Iceland's most important annual design festival, transforming the most northerly capital in the world into one big venue for design. **Please note that SEEDS does not provide tickets.** More details at <http://honnunarmars.is/>

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with showers, kitchen, washing machine and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared/dormitory rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag. We will receive food supplies and the group will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some

traditional/typical food, drinks, music games or recipes from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic on almost all sides. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 380** (Euros) which can be transferred in advance or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on March 25 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik.

The weather can be cold or rainy, we recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as some of the tasks and activities take place outside.

Other excursions (eg. South shore or Reykjanes Peninsula) may be arranged at discount fares, in case there is additional free time after the workshops and camp's sessions.

[SEEDS 013. Easter Photography & Environment in Reykjavik](#)

08.04 - 17.04

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) photography, as well as global & local environmental issues. If you love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills and are also interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), then this project is for you!

While developing your artistic and technical photography skills, you will also be focusing on different current environmental and sustainability issues through a selection of workshops, discussions, and visits facilitated by SEEDS coordinators. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will also have time to put the theory into practice, and walk around and visually explore the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible. Participants should be ready to walk around the city for different activities and visits.

We may also get the chance to visit local projects focused on environment and conservation, which can include hands-on volunteering activities or guided visits. Some examples include coastal and outdoors cleaning actions, a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition or a community dinner at a local NGO. These, however, are dependent on the availability of our partners and the weather conditions at the time.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. Everybody is expected to contribute their own knowledge and experience. Participants should also take advantage of the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

SEEDS programme combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, as exploring the capital city and some stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle excursion or other visits part of the camp.

In this project SEEDS will organize a night photography and Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop to the countryside in the close vicinity of Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night.

We cannot guarantee you will see northern lights as solar activity is irregular and it depends on weather and meteorological conditions but we will in any case organise the night photography workshop.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with showers, kitchen, washing machine and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared/dormitory rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

We will receive food supplies and the group will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music games or recipes from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic on almost all sides. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 400** (Euros) which can be transferred in advance or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on April 8 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

The weather can be cold or rainy, we recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as some of the tasks and activities take place outside.

Other excursions (eg. South shore, Snaefellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) may be arranged at discount fares, in case there is additional free time after the workshops and camp's sessions.

[SEEDS 017. Botanical gardens in Reykjavik \(1/9\)](#)

19.04 - 02.05

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 20+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavik. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpiners, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice. The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors.

The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff. No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavik, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the

mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

Closer than 100 km from Reykjavík, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 250 (Euros), which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at SEEDS office in Reykjavík at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on April 19. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends. Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 014. Environment & Photography - Sonar & Children's Festivals](#)

20.04 - 29.04

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) photography, as well as global & local environmental issues. If you love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills and are also interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), then this project is for you!

While developing your artistic and technical photography skills, you will also be focusing on different current environmental and sustainability issues through a selection of workshops, discussions, and visits facilitated by SEEDS coordinators. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers! You will also have time to put the theory into practice, and walk around and visually explore the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible. Participants should be ready to walk around the city for different activities and visits. We may also get the chance to visit local projects focused on environment and conservation, which can include hands-on volunteering activities or guided visits. Some examples include coastal and outdoors cleaning actions, a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition or a community dinner at a local NGO. These, however, are dependent on the availability of our partners and the weather conditions at the time.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. Everybody is expected to contribute their own knowledge and experience.

In this project SEEDS will organize a night photography and Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop to the countryside in the close vicinity of Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night.

We cannot guarantee you will see northern lights as solar activity is irregular and it depends on weather and meteorological conditions but we will in any case organise the night photography workshop. During your stay, also a Children's and Youth Culture festival will take place (April 21-26). a week-long arts and culture festival dedicated to children and youth; there will be activities including theatre workshops, circus, visual arts, storytelling, music, film, puppetry and dance. For more information <https://barnamennigarhatid.is/>. The music festival Sónar is likely to take place April 25 - 27. Sónar is an experiment in how music can reach those who truly seek it by those performing it and seeing that it is not the largest stage or the biggest crowd that matters but also about the relationship that forms and the memories for all. **Please note that SEEDS does not provide tickets for the festivals but some of the events are free of charge.**

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with showers, kitchen, washing machine and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared/dormitory rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

We will receive food supplies and the group will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music games or recipes from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic on almost all sides. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 300** (Euros) which can be transferred in advance or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on April 20 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik.

The weather can be cold or rainy, we recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as some of the tasks and activities take place outside.

Other excursions (eg. South shore, Snaefellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) may be arranged at discount fares, in case there is additional free time after the workshops and camp's sessions.

[SEEDS 019. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík](#)

04.05 - 12.05

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area. This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal opportunities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. Participants should also use this opportunity to prepare and share about environmental issues from their home countries with the group. No previous experience is needed, participants should be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the

changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag. We will receive food supplies and you will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal- and hydropower. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 200 (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), as well as the visits to the SORPA recycling centre; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Geothermal power plant & the Hot river Hike excursion or Reykjanes Peninsula).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on May 2 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops or sessions of the camp.

Weather may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing winter warm and waterproof clothes.

[SEEDS 021. Botanical gardens in Reykjavik \(2/9\)](#)

10.05 - 23.05

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 20+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavik. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpiners, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff.

No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavik, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable

energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

Closer than 100 km from Reykjavik, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 250 (Euros), which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at the SEEDS office in Reykjavik at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on May 10. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snafellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends. Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 022. Island of Viðey \(½\)](#)

12.05 - 21.05

ENVI / CONS

7 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will have the opportunity to work on the historical island of Viðey for the 14th year in a row with our host, the city of Reykjavik.

Viðey is a popular destination during the summer among Icelandic and foreign visitors. Volunteers will help prepare the island for the autumn/winter season. Volunteers will beautify the surroundings by cleaning up the area, especially along the coastline, like hand-picking garbage or collecting trash blown by the wind or brought by the sea to the shores and surroundings.

SEEDS volunteers may carry out some gardening activities as well and possibly make and maintain walking paths. Well maintained paths enable people to visit the area without damaging it and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors. Depending on the advance of the project and weather conditions, volunteers may have other possible tasks such as checking up and repairing garden furniture.

The working day normally runs from 09:00 - 17:00 with breaks for lunch and coffee; however, please be prepared for some flexibility due to the nature of Iceland's changeable weather.

The weather conditions in Iceland are unpredictable and the temperature in May can drop during the evenings. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and be sure of bringing warm clothing since most of the work will take place outdoors. Volunteers should have motivation to work outside and work in all kinds of weather as it can get cold and rainy. Bring warm and/or waterproof clothes (overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) walking shoes/boots as the activities take place outside.

As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be lodged in a local house on Viðey Island, in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag. The house has an equipped kitchen. Volunteers will receive food ingredients and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Viðey or "Wood Island" is the largest (1,7 km²) island in the Kollafjörður Bay, just outside Reykjavik,

the capital of Iceland. The island is covered by many species of plants and at least 30 species of breeding birds have been counted here. Viðey was inhabited from soon after the settlement of Iceland already in the 10th century and at the beginning of the 20th century around 100 people lived there. Today the island is uninhabited.

There is a regular boat connection between the island and the harbour of Reykjavík. The island is only a few hundred metres away from the city and the trip takes about 10 minutes. This makes Viðey so special; it is a peaceful place, very close to the busy city life of the capital. There are hiking and cycling paths around the island and there is no motor traffic allowed. It also inhabits intriguing sculptural artwork, amongst them all nine pairs of basalt pillars that comprise Richard Serra's work *Áfangar* and Yoko Ono's "Imagine peace" column, a tower of light, which is supported by the widow of John Lennon. Other places of interest on Viðey are related to archaeological research.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

Meeting time will be at 14:00 (2:00 pm) on May 12 at SEEDS Office.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 280** (Euros) which can be transferred in advance or paid for on arrival. This fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first day of the camp), the Golden Circle excursion and a whale watching trip worth around EUR 200 with tour operators. We will have free rides in the boat/ferry to the city of Reykjavík during the free time and this is subject to its schedule.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snaefellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

SEEDS is not a travel agency, we do not have guides and these trips are organized for volunteers to have the chance to travel together and to support SEEDS fundraising. Subject to availability and number of participants.

[SEEDS 025. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík](#)

18.05 - 26.05

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal opportunities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavík will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. Participants should also use this opportunity to prepare and share about environmental issues from their home countries with the group. No previous experience is needed, participants should be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the

changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

We will receive food supplies and you will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal- and hydropower. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 200 (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), as well as the visits to the SORPA recycling centre; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Geothermal power plant & the Hot river Hike excursion or Reykjanes Peninsula).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on May 18 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops or sessions of the camp.

Weather may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing winter warm and waterproof clothes.

[SEEDS 028. Botanical gardens in Reykjavik \(3/9\)](#)

24.05 - 06.06

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 20+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavik. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpiners, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff.

No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavik, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

Closer than 100 km from Reykjavik, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ)

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 250 (Euros), which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at SEEDS office in Reykjavik at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on May 24. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snafellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends. Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 029. Pathway to the volcano](#)

26.05 - 04.06

ENVI / CONS

10 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK / PROJECT: SEEDS Volunteers will be working close to the main skiing area of the capital region of Iceland, Bláfjöll or the Blue Mountains. The aim of the project is to protect the environment and avoid different trails being created from increasing traffic of hikers and nature lovers in the area.

The main task will be maintaining a hiking path in an area called Þrihnúkagígur or Three Peaks Crater, which is a dormant volcano that last erupted over 4000 years ago. Other tasks may be to mark and control areas where the visitors are not allowed to walk in order to protect the surroundings of unnecessary passage and harm. Sports associations who run some of the skiing lodges might also need some maintenance, such as painting and trash hunts are often organized to clean-up the surrounding area.

No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and might require a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The working plan will depend on the needs of our local host, the advance of the diverse projects in the area and of course on the weather conditions.

Volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors on physical jobs and under changeable weather. Bring warm winter clothes, under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The bright nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the beautiful surroundings is a unique experience. During the time of the camp participants will have the opportunity to experience the midnight sun as there are 24 hours of light even if the sun sets for short periods of time.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in one of the ski lodges in the mountains; in a sleeping bag accommodation sharing rooms. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The project takes place in the Blue Mountain Range area, which is located about 30 km from Reykjavík. The Blue Mountain range stretches to the west from the mountain Vífilsfell near the main road (#1) from the capital area to the South-western lowlands. The highest mountain in the range reaches 600 m and in 1968 the district became a very popular skiing resort among Icelanders.

The areas are excellent for recreation, not only for alpine and cross country skiing, but outdoor activities as well such as hiking and mountain biking. Nature lovers are certain to find something they like there, but it's important to be careful crossing the rugged lava fields because of the numerous caves underneath.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350** (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp and back into SEEDS office (on the first and last day) and the group will also have a chance to explore the heart of a volcano, the only place on earth where you can enter a magma chamber.

Departure time will be 11:00 in the morning on May 26 from the meeting point at SEEDS office in Reykjavík. After the camp we will return to Reykjavík in the afternoon of June 4.

Free time activities in the surroundings are mostly hiking and trekking. Volunteers shall be prepared for physical outdoors work & should bring good working shoes and clothes, even though it is summer, it can still be cold and hats and gloves might be necessary. In the mountains, the weather can change quickly and drastically.

Other excursions may be arranged in the free days or after working hours for SEEDS volunteers at discount fares (for example Golden Circle, South Shore, Reykjanes or Snaefellsnes Peninsula, Hot River Hike, etc.).

[SEEDS 030. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík](#)

29.05 - 06.06

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal opportunities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavík will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. Participants should also use this opportunity to prepare and share about environmental issues from their home countries with the group. No previous experience is needed, participants should be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project is happening outdoors,

volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

We will receive food supplies and you will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal- and hydropower. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 250 (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), as well as the visits to the SORPA recycling centre; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Geothermal power plant & the Hot river Hike excursion or Reykjanes Peninsula).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on May 29 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops or sessions of the camp.

Weather may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing winter warm and waterproof clothes.

[SEEDS 031. The Highlands North of Vatnajökull glacier](#)

07.06 - 19.06

CONS / RENO / ENVI

8 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK / PROJECT: SEEDS Volunteers will have the chance to work for the ninth year in a row in this special project based in the highlands, east of Lake Mývatn and north of the Vatnajökull glacier. The area has been inhabited since the early times of settlement. Our hosts are a family, descendants of farmers from the area trying to develop new opportunities for work and alternative jobs in this very remote area as the farming in such altitude has been very difficult. They are running diverse facilities and offer services for local and foreign visitors.

Volunteers will support the locals in removing the trash left by visitors and helping restore the land damaged by off-road driving. Volunteers will also help with repairing an old turf building, restoring it to its previous form and making it look similar to several other turf buildings in the surroundings. Additional work may be fixing and maintaining walking paths and making a new trail. Well maintained paths enable people to visit the area without damaging them and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors.

Please note that the work in this camp can be very physically demanding (such as turfing) and volunteers need to be in good shape and ready to work hard. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The weather conditions are unpredictable and the temperature in the highlands can drop below zero in the nights. Bring warm clothing since the work takes place outdoors.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be lodged in a house at one of the farms, sleeping in shared rooms with beds, please bring your own sleeping bag. Volunteers will receive food ingredients and be in charge of cooking and cleaning activities. Equipped kitchen and washing machine are available.

Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food or drinks from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The camp is located in the highlands of Iceland, in the highest inhabited place in the country at 469 meters above sea level. The location is in the North-Eastern part of the country and in the vicinity of the largest national park in Europe - Vatnajökull National Park. Mount Herðubreið, the queen of Icelandic mountains is located in the area. It is situated in the east side of the Ódáðahraun desert and close to Askja volcano. The

desert is a large lava field originating from eruptions of volcanoes in the area.

The Vatnajökull Park is unique; one can find glaciers, volcanic activity, glacier bursts, eruptions and geothermal heat plus an extremely rare landscape. The area is around 12.000 Km² and is expected to be expanded in the next few years. Under the ice-cap, the glacier hides seven volcanoes and most of them are active. Vatnajökull covers about 8% of the country, and is about 1000 m wide at its thickest point.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL & TRANSPORT: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF).

SEEDS organises a “minibus option”, a shared transport from Reykjavík & back. Apart from being cheaper and convenient, it allows participants to meet and have a relaxed trip, while stopping on the way for interesting sites.

The SEEDS minibus will travel one way along the Northern part of the country and the other along the South coast of Iceland. In this way we will **travel the whole ring road** and stop at magnificent natural sights, including waterfalls, glaciers, volcano craters, hot springs, iceberg lagoons, black sand beaches, etc. **Meeting point at SEEDS office in Reykjavík at 7:00 am of June 7.** Return to Reykjavík in the **late evening** of June 19.

The minibus to this camp will cost EUR 75 (Euros) one way or EUR 150 (Euros) both ways. This is about 30-40% cheaper than public transportation services.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 280** (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The participation fee **does not include** the transportation from Reykjavík to the camp and back but we estimate the costs about EUR 75 each way.

This work camp takes place in a very remote place, located in a natural area of extreme beauty. Outdoor free time activities, for instance hikes or walks in the surroundings, will be arranged for SEEDS volunteers.

Volunteers should be motivated to experience life in a very isolated part of Iceland. Participants should bring good walking sturdy shoes & warm working clothes. Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold or rainy. Bring warm under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag and gloves.

[SEEDS 034. Botanical gardens in Reykjavik \(4/9\)](#)

07.06 - 20.06

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 20+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavík. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpiners, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff.

No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavík, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical

food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

Closer than 100 km from Reykjavik, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ)

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 300 (Euros), which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at SEEDS office in Reykjavik at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on June 7. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snaefellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends. Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 032. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

08.06 - 16.06

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and

sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 250 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on June 8 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 033. The Highlands of Iceland - The Famous Kjöfur Road \(1/2\)](#)

08.06 - 22.06

ENVI / RENO / CONS

9 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will support this project for the twelfth year in a row, we started cooperation in 2009 and the results have been very positive. The hosts are a group of locals developing the area with alternative tourism services, including running a series of huts in this isolated area in the highlands and offering services to visitors and hikers.

In this camp SEEDS volunteers will work on diverse environmental outdoor tasks, including maintenance and development of walking paths and landscaping around the huts in the area. Volunteers will also help with the revegetation in some areas around, clearing litter on the walking paths, and assisting with general maintenance and preparations within the area before summer.

As the landscape is raw, the work can be physically demanding and might require a good physical condition. No previous experience is needed. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the -changeable- weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

Volunteers need to be prepared for working and walking in a wild landscape in one of the most isolated areas in Iceland. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and bring warm winter clothes as the tasks take place outside and it can get very cold in the highlands. Bring warm under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat scarves and gloves.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be hosted in a local mountain hut; sleeping in shared rooms on mattresses on the floor. Please bring your own sleeping bag. The facilities are very basic and volunteers are expected to show consideration for their companions.

Volunteers will receive food ingredients and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The Icelandic highlands, or "the interior", are a true pearl to nature lovers and outdoor people. It is

accessible on 4WD cars and most routes involve crossing rivers where there are no bridges. If you really want to get away from it all, the interior of Iceland is like nothing you have ever experienced. The mountainous centre of the island, with its rocky deserts, craggy mountain peaks, ice caps, volcanoes, hidden valleys and hot springs, is an awesome and untouched wilderness.

The interior was almost totally inaccessible until recently. However outlaws managed to hide out for years at a time in the highlands, rustling sheep and keeping away from law-abiding citizens. Folklore stories tell of both natural and supernatural beings that lay in wait for unwary highland travellers. Travellers going between the north and south of Iceland sometimes had to cross the highlands. To get to the assembly of Alþingi (parliament) each summer, delegates had to ride from every corner of the country to Þingvellir in the Southwest.

Volunteers will be staying close to the glacier Hofsjökull and near to the rivers Hvítá and Þjórsá. The mountains in the area that reach up to 1500 m were formed during a volcanic eruption in the later part of the ice age. The area is still dynamic and great geothermal activity takes place in the surroundings. The environment is very diverse, both in shape and colour. The mountains are weathered and have very little continuous growth, as the forces of nature, like glaciers, water flow, ice bursts etc. have been fast working in these mountain highlands.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language of the camp; high proficiency is not required.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the campsite & back (on the first and last day of the camp). **Meeting & Departure time will be at 7:00 in the morning on June 8 at SEEDS Office in Reykjavík.** We will return to Reykjavík in the evening of June 22.

The location of the camp is remote and very isolated. Free time activities are mostly hiking and trekking in the area as there is no transportation available or possibility to organise transport to different sites.

Volunteers need to be prepared for physical, demanding work. Weather is unpredictable and it can be very cold or rainy in the highlands. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm/winter and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 035. Photography & Midnight Sun in Reykjavík](#)

11.06 - 20.06

ARTS / CULT

8 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

PROJECT: This is the thirteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organizes a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants individual style.

When the workshop ends, we select some of our best pictures from the camp and prepare those images for an informal online exhibition. While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be prepared for walking and visually exploring the city streets and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions. Participants should arrive ready to shoot and should bring with them their own digital cameras, lenses, laptops and tripodes if possible.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular work camp; we may be able to organize some outdoor voluntary work but it depends on our partners and the weather. Participants should use the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years, during their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, and having fun while exploring the capital city and some of the most stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle and the South Shore excursions.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright

as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in an equipped house, which is located about 4 kilometers from the centre of the city. The house includes basic facilities such as showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. The group will sleep in shared rooms and participants shall bring their own sleeping bag. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal power and glacial rivers. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides. It is an International city with a lively Cosmopolitan cultural scene.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 500** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day-trip each), we will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 19:00 (7:00 pm) on June 11 at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Snaefellsnes, Hot River hike or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.

[SEEDS 036. Revegetation in the South-west of Iceland \(1/3\)](#)

11.06 - 25.06

ENVI / NATU

13 Volunteers

Age: 18 +

WORK/PROJECT: Since 2007 SEEDS has been working with an organisation devoted to the re-vegetation of eroded soils and to mitigate climate change in the South-west of Iceland. The aim is to stop the downward spiral of erosion and to strengthen the ecosystem by enhancing its natural vegetation. SEEDS volunteers will perform three different types of work depending on the project needs each time:

a) Revegetation and erosion control using organic materials, b) Removal of old fences and c) Monitoring the survival and growth of tree plantations of former years. These tasks will be performed at several different locations in the South-west of the country.

The South-west is part of the volcanic belt of Iceland, with vast lava fields and erodible volcanic soils. Additionally, the area has suffered from overgrazing of sheep for a long time. Consequently the ecological condition is rather poor and some areas have completely lost their top soil. Materials like horse manure, garden waste and the likes are the best revegetation means available. The results of the efforts made so far can already be seen at a number of sites in the South-west of the country. Documentation is available and as can be seen, the role of SEEDS volunteers has been substantial.

No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and might require a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive and demanding but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

Volunteers need to be prepared for working outdoors in sometimes isolated sites. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and bring warm winter clothes as the tasks take place outside and it can get rather cold. Bring warm under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves. Keep in mind, our earth is getting warmer because of an overload of CO₂ in the atmosphere. Also, green plants remove

carbon from the atmosphere and capture it in biomass and soil. Revegetation is one of the most effective ways to fight off climate change, especially in a land so heavily eroded as Iceland.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be lodged in a school building with basic facilities in one of Reykjavik's neighbouring towns. Volunteers will sleep on mattresses provided, please bring a sleeping bag. There is a shower in the school and volunteers will also have free access to the local geothermal swimming pool.

Food ingredients will be provided and the group will be responsible for cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening. Organic waste will be used for compost by the hosting organization.

LOCATION: The work takes place in the vicinity of Reykjavik on different locations. The main emphasis will be on erosion control in ten different sites in the South-west of Iceland, mostly in and around the Reykjanes peninsula, area marked by active volcanism under its surface with numerous hot and sulphur springs around the Kleifarvatn Lake and in the Krýsuvík geothermal area. The Peninsula is famous for its wide network of hiking trails through colourful landscapes, amazing ocean cliffs, bird and whale watching sites and the Blue Lagoon. The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The bright nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest International Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of June 11 at SEEDS office in Reykjavík.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee is **EUR 350 (Euros)** which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival in either Euros or Icelandic kronas. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp on the first day, the Golden Circle and a full day-trip that will be decided according to weather conditions (either Snæfellsnes peninsula or the South Shore).

Other excursions (like Reykjanes or Hot River hike) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time. Volunteers need to be prepared for physically demanding work. Bring warm and waterproof winter clothes as the project takes place outside and the weather can get very cold.

[SEEDS 038. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

16.06 - 24.06

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to

spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 250 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on June 16 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 041. Summer Solstice & Photography Reykjavik](#)

20.06 - 28.06

ARTS / CULT

8 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

PROJECT: This is the thirteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organizes a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants individual style.

When the workshop ends, we select some of our best pictures from the camp and prepare those images for an informal online exhibition. While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be prepared for walking and visually exploring the city streets and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions. Participants should arrive ready to shoot and should bring with them their own digital cameras, lenses, laptops and tripodes if possible.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular work camp; we may be able to organize some outdoor voluntary work but it depends on our partners and the weather. Participants should use the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years, during their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, and having fun while exploring the capital city and some of the most stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle and the South Shore excursions.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in an equipped house, which is located about 4 kilometers from the centre of the city. The house includes basic facilities such as showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. The group will sleep in shared rooms and participants shall bring their own sleeping bag. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal power and glacial rivers. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides. It is an International city with a lively Cosmopolitan cultural scene.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 500** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day of the camp), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day-trip each), we will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of June 20 at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Snæfellsnes, Hot River hike or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.

[SEEDS 042. Hitting the slopes - Blue Mountains & Skálafell \(1/2\)](#)

21.06 - 05.07

CONS / ENVI / RENO

8 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will be working again with the Reykjavik municipality in two of the main outdoors skiing and recreational areas in the capital region, Bláfjöll (or the Blue Mountains) and Skálafell. In Skálafell the ski slopes are turned into a bike park during summertime and mountain bike enthusiasts can nourish their passion. The main tasks will include renovation and maintenance work on the bike trails; mainly raking and scraping them up. Other possible tasks may be related to general cleaning of the area. In the Blue Mountains, the main tasks will be maintaining the slopes and preparing them for the next ski season. The city and a few sports associations run lodges and mountain huts there and they might also need some renovation jobs, such as painting and/or cleaning. The working plan is flexible and it will depend on the needs of our local hosts. No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and requires a good physical condition. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The landscape is raw and volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors and to experience isolated mountain areas.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The bright nights are magical and staying awake and enjoying the beautiful surroundings is a unique experience. During the time of the camp participants will have the opportunity to experience the midnight sun as there are 24 hours of light even if the sun sets for short periods of time.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in one of the ski lodges in the mountains and sleep in a sleeping bag accommodation, sharing rooms. Please bring your own sleeping bag. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The skiing areas of Bláfjöll and Skálafell are both about 30 minutes drive away from the city. Bláfjöll is south-west of the city and Skálafell is located to the east of Reykjavík. Both areas have great slopes for downhill skiing and snowboarding as well as tracks for cross-country skiing. Bláfjöll has 16 lifts and Skálafell has 4 lifts. The sports area in Skálafell is situated between the elevations of 380 and 700 m.

The Blue Mountain range stretches to the west from the mountain Vífilsfell near the main road (#1) from the capital area to the South-western lowlands. The highest mountain in the range reaches 600 m and in 1968 the district became a very popular skiing resort among Icelanders. The areas are excellent for recreation, not only for alpine and cross country skiing, but outdoor activities as well such as hiking and mountain biking. Nature lovers are certain to find something they like there, but it's important to be careful crossing the rugged lava fields because of the numerous caves underneath.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the domestic transportation from Reykjavík to the campsite and back (on the first and last day of the camp) and the Reykjanes Peninsula excursion.

Meeting and departure time to the camp will be 17:00 in the afternoon on June 21 from the meeting point at SEEDS office in Reykjavík. After the camp we will return to Reykjavík in the afternoon of July 5.

Volunteers shall be prepared for physical outdoors work & should bring good working shoes and clothes. In the mountains, the weather can change quickly and drastically. Even if it is summer, the weather can be cold or rainy. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

The locations of the camp are remote and isolated, even though still close to the city. Free time activities in the surroundings are mostly hiking and trekking.

Other excursions (Golden Circle, South Shore, Hot River hike or Snaefellsnes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

[SEEDS 043. Between Glaciers & Lava](#)

22.06 - 03.07

ARTS / CULT / CONS

8 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK / PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will have again the opportunity to contribute to this special art and culture project in the West of Iceland. Since 2000, our hosts have been creating and developing an art residency camp, outdoors and indoors art exhibitions and a chapel for all types of religions which are open to the public.

The residency grew around an old abandoned farm which has been in the process of transformation for the last 20 years. The residency supports various art and culture activities, especially young artists, as well as scientific research. Since the start of the project there have been thousands of visitors and the plans exist to expand the residency with several more houses that will be built using stone, turf and driftwood of the area.

The art residency is a home to the artworks of Páll Guðmundsson, a famous local artist known for his use of stone as an art medium. Páll's art comes in forms of stone statues, paintings on stone surface and even a stone made musical instrument. His inspiration comes from Icelandic nature and traditional culture.

SEEDS volunteers will help with various tasks such as maintenance work in the sculpture and outdoor artwork garden; some of the group may help painting the artist workshop and some work in and around the chapel. Depending on the projects' needs we may also help in maintaining a walking path from the sculpture garden towards a small canyon where some outdoor artwork can be found and help with setting up and moving the artwork, taking down old fences, hand-picking trash and generally beautifying the surroundings.

The working day normally runs from 09:00 - 17:00 with breaks for lunch and coffee. No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and might require a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The working plan will depend on the needs of our local host, the advance of the diverse

projects in the area and of course on the weather conditions.

Volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors on physical jobs and under changeable weather. Bring warm winter clothes, under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in a local house; sleeping in shared rooms on mattresses in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers receive food supplies and are mostly in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food or drinks from your home country for an international evening.

LOCATION: The project takes place in the western part of Iceland, in a unique natural pearl with breathtaking landscape, between glaciers and lava fields. The place is like an oasis in the desert, as the weather is often better than in the surroundings. Among the natural wonders nearby are the Hraunfossar waterfalls; where water comes out from a lava field over a length of 1 km. Additionally, the Hallmundarhraun lava field is among the best known and deepest in Iceland. Langjökull (Long Glacier), the second largest glacier in Iceland, it expands over 950 km² and its highest point is 1355 m above sea level. In addition to natural wonders this area is also famous for being one of the first settled locations in Iceland and featured in some of the oldest Icelandic sagas.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSI). SEEDS organises a "minibus option", a shared transport from Reykjavik & back. Apart from being cheaper and convenient, it allows participants to meet and have a relaxed trip, while stopping on the way for interesting sites.

Departure at 12:00 noon/midday of June 22 from SEEDS office. Return to Reykjavik in the evening of July 3.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350** (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The participation fee **does not include** the transportation from Reykjavik to the camp and back but we estimate the costs about EUR 30 each way. This work camp takes place in a remote place, in a natural area of extreme beauty. Our hosts will organise some free time activities in the area for instance hikes or visits to the beautiful surroundings. Other excursions (eg. Golden circle or Snæfellsnes Peninsula) can be organised at discount fares for SEEDS volunteers.

[SEEDS 045. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

24.06 - 02.07

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as

weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 250 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on June 24 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 044. Revegetation in the South-west of Iceland \(2/3\)](#)

25.06 - 10.07

ENVI / NATU

13 Volunteers

Age: 18 +

WORK/PROJECT: Since 2007 SEEDS has been working with an organisation devoted to the re-vegetation of eroded soils and to mitigate climate change in the South-west of Iceland. The aim is to stop the downward spiral of erosion and to strengthen the ecosystem by enhancing its natural vegetation. SEEDS volunteers will perform three different types of work depending on the project needs each time:

a) Revegetation and erosion control using organic materials, b) Removal of old fences and c) Monitoring the survival and growth of tree plantations of former years. These tasks will be performed at several different locations in the South-west of the country.

The South-west is part of the volcanic belt of Iceland, with vast lava fields and erodible volcanic soils. Additionally, the area has suffered from overgrazing of sheep for a long time. Consequently the ecological condition is rather poor and some areas have completely lost their top soil. Materials like horse manure, garden waste and the likes are the best revegetation means available. The results of the efforts made so far can already be seen at a number of sites in the South-west of the country. Documentation is available and as can be seen, the role of SEEDS volunteers has been substantial. No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and might require a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive and demanding but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

Volunteers need to be prepared for working outdoors in sometimes isolated sites. Be prepared to experience all

kinds of weather and bring warm winter clothes as the tasks take place outside and it can get rather cold. Bring warm under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves. Keep in mind, our earth is getting warmer because of an overload of CO2 in the atmosphere. Also, green plants remove carbon from the atmosphere and capture it in biomass and soil. Revegetation is one of the most effective ways to fight off climate change, especially in a land so heavily eroded as Iceland.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be lodged in a school building with basic facilities in one of Reykjavik's neighbouring towns. Volunteers will sleep on mattresses provided, please bring a sleeping bag. There is a shower in the school and volunteers will also have free access to the local geothermal swimming pool. Food ingredients will be provided and the group will be responsible for cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening. Organic waste will be used for compost by the hosting organization.

LOCATION: The work takes place in the vicinity of Reykjavik on different locations. The main emphasis will be on erosion control in ten different sites in the South-west of Iceland, mostly in and around the Reykjanes peninsula, area marked by active volcanism under its surface with numerous hot and sulphur springs around the Kleifarvatn Lake and in the Krýsuvík geothermal area. The Peninsula is famous for its wide network of hiking trails through colourful landscapes, amazing ocean cliffs, bird and whale watching sites and the Blue Lagoon.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The bright nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest International Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of June 25 at SEEDS office in Reykjavik.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee is **EUR 350** (Euros) which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival in either Euros or Icelandic kronas. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp on the first day, the Golden Circle and a full day-trip that will be decided according to weather conditions (either Snæfellsnes peninsula or the South Shore).

Other excursions (like Reykjanes or Hot River hike) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time. Volunteers need to be prepared for physically demanding work. Bring warm and waterproof winter clothes as the project takes place outside and the weather can get very cold.

[SEEDS 048. Midnight Sun & Photography in Reykjavik](#)

28.06 - 06.07

ARTS / CULT

8 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

PROJECT: This is the thirteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organizes a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants individual style.

When the workshop ends, we select some of our best pictures from the camp and prepare those images for an informal online exhibition. While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be prepared for walking and visually exploring the city streets and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions. Participants should arrive ready to shoot and should bring with them their own digital cameras, lenses, laptops and tripodes if possible.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular work camp; we may be able to organize some outdoor voluntary work but it depends on our partners and the weather. Participants should use the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years, during their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, and having fun while exploring the capital city and some of the most stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle and the South Shore excursions.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in an equipped house, which is located about 4 kilometers from the centre of the city. The house includes basic facilities such as showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. The group will sleep in shared rooms and participants shall bring their own sleeping bag. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal power and glacial rivers. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides. It is an International city with a lively Cosmopolitan cultural scene.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 500** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day-trip each), we will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of June 28 at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Snafellsnes, Hot River hike or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.

[SEEDS 051. Caves and Canyons in the East of Iceland](#)

01.07 - 15.07

ENVI / CONS

8 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will work again in the municipality of Fljótshálsa in various environmental projects around the region. The volunteers will help:

- rebuilding an old rock wall and garden, collecting large stones and adding to the wall;
- cleaning caves and maintaining walking paths at Magnahellir and Dimmugljúfur which is a beautiful canyon with hiking trails;
- clean the area around Laugavellir which is an impressive geothermal area with a natural pool;
- maintain different trails in one of the best hiking areas in Iceland.

In this project SEEDS volunteers will be mostly doing construction, working with stones, repairing or marking off hiking trails and walking paths in the East of Iceland. Some of the trails and paths are located in an isolated area of mountains and fjords. The working area of Hjarðarhagi, Magnahellir and Laugavellir is within driving distance from Egilsstaðir which is the largest city/town in the East of the country. Well maintained paths enable people to visit these amazing areas without damaging them and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors. Additional tasks may be cleaning or beautifying the area, like hand-picking garbage or collecting trash blown by the wind or brought by some visitors.

The working day normally runs from 09:00 to 17:00 with breaks for lunch and coffee. No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and might require a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or

activities planned. The working plan will depend on the needs of our local host, the advance of the diverse projects in the area and of course on the weather conditions. Volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors on physical jobs and under changeable weather. Bring warm winter clothes, under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will be hosted in a local mountain hut in the municipality, away from the town. Volunteers will sleep on mattresses on the floor in shared rooms. Please bring your own sleeping bag. The house is equipped with a kitchen.

Volunteers will share the duties of preparing food, cooking meals and cleaning. There is a shower and remember to bring a bathing suit or swim gear to bath in the natural hot spring. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The project is in the municipality of Fljótsdalshérað, East of Iceland in a beautiful area surrounded by magnificent mountains, picturesque fjords and the sea. There are innumerable walking trails through the magnificent landscape of this area, whether over mountain passes, through valleys, or along the seashore.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL & TRANSPORT: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF).

SEEDS organises a "minibus option", a shared transport from Reykjavík & back. Apart from being cheaper and more convenient, it allows participants to meet and have a relaxed trip, while stopping on the way for interesting sites. The SEEDS minibus will travel one way along the Northern part of the country and the other way along the South coast of Iceland. In this way we will **travel the whole ring road** and stop at magnificent natural sights, including waterfalls, glaciers, volcanic craters, hot springs, iceberg lagoons, black sand beaches, etc.

Departure will be at 7:00 am of July 1 from SEEDS office. Return to Reykjavík in the late evening of July 15.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350** (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The participation fee **does not include** the transportation from Reykjavík to the camp and back but we estimate the costs about EUR 75 each way.

This work camp takes place in a very remote place, located in a natural area of extreme beauty. Outdoor free time activities, for instance hikes or walks in the surroundings, will be arranged for SEEDS volunteers.

Our hosts will organise some free time activities and the group will get the opportunity to bathe in the natural hot springs at Laugarvalladalur.

[SEEDS 052. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

02.07 - 10.07

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding

waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on July 2 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 055. Hitting the slopes - Blue Mountains & Skálafell \(2/2\)](#)

05.07 - 19.07

CONS / ENVI / RENO

8 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will be working again with the Reykjavik municipality in two of the main outdoors skiing and recreational areas in the capital region, Bláfjöll (or the Blue Mountains) and Skálafell.

In Skálafell the ski slopes are turned into a bike park during summertime and mountain bike enthusiasts can nourish their passion. The main tasks will include renovation and maintenance work on the bike trails; mainly raking and scraping them up. Other possible tasks may be related to general cleaning of the area.

In the Blue Mountains, the main tasks will be maintaining the slopes and preparing them for the next ski season. The city and a few sports associations run lodges and mountain huts there and they might also need some renovation jobs, such as painting and/or cleaning.

The working plan is flexible and it will depend on the needs of our local hosts. No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and requires a good physical condition. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The landscape is raw and volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors and to experience isolated mountain areas.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The bright nights are magical and staying awake and enjoying the beautiful surroundings is a unique experience. During the time of the camp participants will have the opportunity to experience the

midnight sun as there are 24 hours of light even if the sun sets for short periods of time.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in one of the ski lodges in the mountains and sleep in a sleeping bag accommodation, sharing rooms. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The skiing areas of Bláfjöll and Skálafell are both about 30 minutes drive away from the city. Bláfjöll is south-west of the city and Skálafell is located to the east of Reykjavík. Both areas have great slopes for downhill skiing and snowboarding as well as tracks for cross-country skiing. Bláfjöll has 16 lifts and Skálafell has 4 lifts. The sports area in Skálafell is situated between the elevations of 380 and 700 m.

The Blue Mountain range stretches to the west from the mountain Vífilsfell near the main road (#1) from the capital area to the South-western lowlands. The highest mountain in the range reaches 600 m and in 1968 the district became a very popular skiing resort among Icelanders. The areas are excellent for recreation, not only for alpine and cross country skiing, but outdoor activities as well such as hiking and mountain biking. Nature lovers are certain to find something they like there, but it's important to be careful crossing the rugged lava fields because of the numerous caves underneath.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the domestic transportation from Reykjavík to the campsite and back (on the first and last day of the camp) and the Reykjanes Peninsula excursion.

Meeting and departure time to the camp will be at 19:00 (7:00 pm) on July 5 from the meeting point at SEEDS office in Reykjavík. After the camp we will return to Reykjavík in the afternoon of July 19.

Volunteers shall be prepared for physical outdoors work & should bring good working shoes and clothes. In the mountains, the weather can change quickly and drastically. Even if it is summer, the weather can be cold or rainy. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

The locations of the camp are remote and isolated, even though still close to the city. Free time activities in the surroundings are mostly hiking and trekking.

Other excursions (Golden Circle, South Shore, Hot River hike or Snaefellsnes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

[SEEDS 056. Botanical gardens in Reykjavík \(5/9\)](#)

05.07 - 18.07

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 20+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavík. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpine, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff.

No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible

with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavik, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

Closer than 100 km from Reykjavik, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ)

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**, which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at SEEDS office in Reykjavik at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on July 5. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snaefellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends. Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 059. Forestry & hiking trails in the West \(1/2\)](#)

08.07 - 15.07

ENVI / NATU / CONS

8 Volunteers

Age: 18 +

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will be working on a project in the beautiful forest Stálpastaðaskógur in the South-west of Iceland, doing nature and environmental oriented tasks. SEEDS has been cooperating with the Icelandic forest service and our groups of volunteers have been helping out for more than 10 years with very good results for the participants, the host and the Icelandic nature conservation and reforestation efforts.

The main task at hand is maintaining and repairing footpaths within the forest. SEEDS volunteers will perform four different types of tasks depending on the project and host needs each time:

a) fixing steps on the old footpath, b) cutting tree branches, c) removing vegetation from the path and d) putting a new layer of wood chips on the footpath. The main tasks will be to maintain and repair existing hiking paths, build steps/stairs. Other tasks may be to trim branches and beautify groves that are located near the trails.

Well maintained paths enable people to visit these amazing areas without damaging them and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors. All work is done by hand with wheelbarrows and hand tools. Additional tasks may be cleaning or beautifying the area, like hand-picking garbage or collecting trash blown by the wind in the area and its surroundings.

The working day normally runs from 09:00 - 17:00 with breaks for lunch and coffee. No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and might require a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive

but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The working plan will depend on the needs of our local host, the advance of the diverse projects in the area and of course on the weather conditions.

Volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors on physical jobs and under changeable weather. Bring warm winter clothes, under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be lodged in an old farmstead owned by the Icelandic Forest Service, which is located approximately 5 km from the forest. The house is the old garage at the farm which has been transformed into a summer house. There are beds for 7 people, a small kitchen, dining and a living room, toilet facilities and a shower. Volunteers will sleep on mattresses provided, but please bring a sleeping bag.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The work will take place in the forest Stálpastaðaskógur which is located about 25 km from Borgarnes and about 3 km from Bifröst. In the area there are many interesting places to visit, the waterfalls Glanni and Barnafossar, hiking trails and Húsafell, a summer house area with a camp site, hot springs, glacier view, golf course and a swimming pool.

West Iceland is famous for its Sagas, most of the Icelandic Sagas were written in West Iceland. Egils Saga, Sturlunga saga and Laxdæla are all stories of farmers, vikings and outlaws in year 850-1000. In West Iceland you will also have a lot of stories of elves and trolls and folk tales. The area is very charming with a lot of history.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

SEEDS organises a "minibus option", a shared transport from Reykjavík & back. Apart from being cheaper and convenient, it allows participants to meet and have a relaxed trip, while stopping on the way for interesting sites.

Departure will be at 13:00 (1:00 pm) on July 8 from SEEDS office. Return to Reykjavík in the evening of July 15.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 250** (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival.

The participation fee **does not include** the transportation from Reykjavík to the camp and back but we estimate the costs about EUR 30 each way.

This work camp takes place in a remote place, in a natural area of extreme beauty. Outdoor free time activities, for instance hikes or walks in the surroundings, will be arranged for SEEDS volunteers.

[SEEDS 057. July Photo Marathon in Reykjavík](#)

09.07 - 18.07

ARTS / CULT

8 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

PROJECT: This is the thirteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organizes a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants individual style.

When the workshop ends, we select some of our best pictures from the camp and prepare those images for an informal online exhibition. While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be prepared for walking and visually exploring the city streets and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions. Participants should arrive ready to shoot and should bring with them their own digital cameras, lenses, laptops and tripodes if possible.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular work camp; we may be able to organize some

outdoor voluntary work but it depends on our partners and the weather. Participants should use the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years, during their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, and having fun while exploring the capital city and some of the most stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle and the South Shore excursions.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in an equipped house, which is located about 4 kilometers from the centre of the city. The house includes basic facilities such as showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. The group will sleep in shared rooms and participants shall bring their own sleeping bag. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal power and glacial rivers. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides. It is an International city with a lively Cosmopolitan cultural scene.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 600** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day-trip each), we will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of July 9 at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Snafellsnes, Hot River hike or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.

[SEEDS 058. Revegetation in the South-west of Iceland \(3/3\)](#)

10.07 - 24.07

ENVI / NATU

13 Volunteers

Age: 18 +

WORK/PROJECT: Since 2007 SEEDS has been working with an organisation devoted to the re-vegetation of eroded soils and to mitigate climate change in the South-west of Iceland. The aim is to stop the downward spiral of erosion and to strengthen the ecosystem by enhancing its natural vegetation. SEEDS volunteers will perform three different types of work depending on the project needs each time:

a) Revegetation and erosion control using organic materials, b) Removal of old fences and c) Monitoring the survival and growth of tree plantations of former years. These tasks will be performed at several different locations in the South-west of the country.

The South-west is part of the volcanic belt of Iceland, with vast lava fields and erodible volcanic soils. Additionally, the area has suffered from overgrazing of sheep for a long time. Consequently the ecological condition is rather poor and some areas have completely lost their top soil. Materials like horse manure, garden waste and the likes are the best revegetation means available. The results of the efforts made so far can already be seen at a number of sites in the South-west of the country. Documentation is available and as can be seen, the role of SEEDS volunteers has been substantial.

No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and might require a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive and demanding but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be

ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

Volunteers need to be prepared for working outdoors in sometimes isolated sites. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and bring warm winter clothes as the tasks take place outside and it can get rather cold. Bring warm under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves.

Keep in mind, our earth is getting warmer because of an overload of CO₂ in the atmosphere. Also, green plants remove carbon from the atmosphere and capture it in biomass and soil. Revegetation is one of the most effective ways to fight off climate change, especially in a land so heavily eroded as Iceland.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be lodged in a school building with basic facilities in one of Reykjavík's neighbouring towns. Volunteers will sleep on mattresses provided, please bring a sleeping bag. There is a shower in the school and volunteers will also have free access to the local geothermal swimming pool.

Food ingredients will be provided and the group will be responsible for cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening. Organic waste will be used for compost by the hosting organization.

LOCATION: The work takes place in the vicinity of Reykjavík on different locations. The main emphasis will be on erosion control in ten different sites in the South-west of Iceland, mostly in and around the Reykjanes peninsula, area marked by active volcanism under its surface with numerous hot and sulphur springs around the Kleifarvatn Lake and in the Krýsuvík geothermal area. The Peninsula is famous for its wide network of hiking trails through colourful landscapes, amazing ocean cliffs, bird and whale watching sites and the Blue Lagoon.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The bright nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest International Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of July 10 at SEEDS office in Reykjavík.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee is **EUR 350** (Euros) which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival in either Euros or Icelandic kronas.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp on the first day, the Golden Circle and a full day-trip that will be decided according to weather conditions (either Snæfellsnes peninsula or the South Shore).

Other excursions (like Reykjanes or Hot River hike) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time. Volunteers need to be prepared for physically demanding work. Bring warm and waterproof winter clothes as the project takes place outside and the weather can get very cold.

[SEEDS 060. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

10.07 - 18.07

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains

- area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on July 10 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 062. Forestry & hiking trails in the West \(2/2\)](#)

15.07 - 22.07

ENVI / NATU / CONS

8 Volunteers

Age: 18 +

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will be working on a project in the beautiful forest Stálpastaðaskógur in the South-west of Iceland, doing nature and environmental oriented tasks. SEEDS has been cooperating with the Icelandic forest service and our groups of volunteers have been helping out for more than 10 years with very good results for the participants, the host and the Icelandic nature conservation and reforestation efforts.

The main task at hand is maintaining and repairing footpaths within the forest. SEEDS volunteers will perform four different types of tasks depending on the project and host needs each time:

a) fixing steps on the old footpath, b) cutting tree branches, c) removing vegetation from the path and d) putting a new layer of wood chips on the footpath. The main tasks will be to maintain and repair existing hiking paths, build steps/stairs. Other tasks may be to trim branches and beautify groves that are located near the trails.

Well maintained paths enable people to visit these amazing areas without damaging them and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors. All work is done by hand with wheelbarrows and hand tools. Additional tasks may be cleaning or beautifying the area, like hand-picking garbage or collecting trash blown by the wind in the area and its surroundings.

The working day normally runs from 09:00 - 17:00 with breaks for lunch and coffee. No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and might require a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The working plan will depend on the needs of our local host, the advance of the diverse projects in the area and of course on the weather conditions.

Volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors on physical jobs and under changeable weather. Bring warm winter clothes, under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be lodged in an old farmstead owned by the Icelandic Forest Service, which is located approximately 5 km from the forest. The house is the old garage at the farm which has been transformed into a summer house. There are beds for 7 people, a small kitchen, dining and a living room, toilet facilities and a shower. Volunteers will sleep on mattresses provided, but please bring a sleeping bag.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The work will take place in the forest Stálpastaðaskógur which is located about 25 km from Borgarnes and about 3 km from Bifröst. In the area there are many interesting places to visit, the waterfalls Glanni and Barnafossar, hiking trails and Húsafell, a summer house area with a camp site, hot springs, glacier view, golf course and a swimming pool.

West Iceland is famous for its Sagas, most of the Icelandic Sagas were written in West Iceland. Egils Saga, Sturlunga saga and Laxdæla are all stories of farmers, vikings and outlaws in year 850-1000. In West Iceland you will also have a lot of stories of elves and trolls and folk tales. The area is very charming with a lot of history.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

SEEDS organises a "minibus option", a shared transport from Reykjavík & back. Apart from being cheaper and convenient, it allows participants to meet and have a relaxed trip, while stopping on the way for interesting sites.

Departure will be at 13:00 (1:00 pm) on July 15 from SEEDS office. Return to Reykjavík in the evening of July 22.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 250** (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival.

The participation fee **does not include** the transportation from Reykjavík to the camp and back but we estimate the costs about EUR 30 each way.

This work camp takes place in a remote place, in a natural area of extreme beauty. Outdoor free time activities, for instance hikes or walks in the surroundings, will be arranged for SEEDS volunteers.

[SEEDS 064. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

19.07 - 27.07

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a

hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 17:00 (5:00 pm) on July 19 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 065. Botanical gardens in Reykjavik 30+ \(6/9\)](#)

19.07 - 01.08

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 30+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavik. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpiners, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a

part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff.

No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavik, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife. Closer than 100 km from Reykjavik, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ)

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**, which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at SEEDS office in Reykjavik at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on July 19. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snafellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends. Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 068. Summer Photography in Reykjavik](#)

23.07 - 01.08

ARTS / CULT

8 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

PROJECT: This is the thirteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organizes a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants individual style.

When the workshop ends, we select some of our best pictures from the camp and prepare those images for an informal online exhibition. While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be prepared for walking and visually exploring the city streets and working within a flexible

time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions. Participants should arrive ready to shoot and should bring with them their own digital cameras, lenses, laptops and tripodes if possible.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular work camp; we may be able to organize some outdoor voluntary work but it depends on our partners and the weather. Participants should use the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years, during their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, and having fun while exploring the capital city and some of the most stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle and the South Shore excursions.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in an equipped house, which is located about 4 kilometers from the centre of the city. The house includes basic facilities such as showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. The group will sleep in shared rooms and participants shall bring their own sleeping bag. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal power and glacial rivers. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides. It is an International city with a lively Cosmopolitan cultural scene.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 600** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day-trip each), we will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of July 23 at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Snaefellsnes, Hot River hike or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.

[SEEDS 070. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

27.07 - 04.08

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public.

We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on July 27 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 075. Botanical gardens in Reykjavik 40+ \(7/9\)](#)

03.08 - 15.08

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 40+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavik. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpiners, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff. No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavik, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag. Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

Closer than 100 km from Reykjavik, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ)

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**, which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at SEEDS office in Reykjavik at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on August 3. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snafellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation. Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather.

We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 076. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

04.08 - 12.08

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised

solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on August 4 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp.

It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 077. Summer Photo Marathon in Reykjavik](#)

06.08 - 15.08

ARTS / CULT

8 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

PROJECT: This is the thirteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organizes a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants individual style.

When the workshop ends, we select some of our best pictures from the camp and prepare those images for an informal online exhibition. While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver

environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be prepared for walking and visually exploring the city streets and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions. Participants should arrive ready to shoot and should bring with them their own digital cameras, lenses, laptops and tripodes if possible.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular work camp; we may be able to organize some outdoor voluntary work but it depends on our partners and the weather. Participants should use the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years, during their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, and having fun while exploring the capital city and some of the most stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle and the South Shore excursions.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in an equipped house, which is located about 4 kilometers from the centre of the city. The house includes basic facilities such as showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. The group will sleep in shared rooms and participants shall bring their own sleeping bag. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal power and glacial rivers. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides. It is an International city with a lively Cosmopolitan cultural scene.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 600** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day-trip each), we will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of August 6 at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Snaefellsnes, Hot River hike or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing good walking shoes, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as some of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 079. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

12.08 - 20.08.

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute

directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on August 12 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 080. Botanical gardens in Reykjavik \(8/9\)](#)

16.08 - 29.08

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 20+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavik. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone.

The garden is open to the public and free of charge. SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance

and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpiners, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff. No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavik, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag. Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

Closer than 100 km from Reykjavik, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ)

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 350 (Euros), which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at SEEDS office in Reykjavik at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on August 16. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snaefellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 082. August Photo Marathon in Reykjavik](#)

20.08 - 29.08

ARTS / CULT

8 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

PROJECT: This is the thirteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organizes a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants individual style.

When the workshop ends, we select some of our best pictures from the camp and prepare those images for an informal online exhibition. While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be prepared for walking and visually exploring the city streets and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions. Participants should arrive ready to shoot and should bring with them their own digital cameras, lenses, laptops and tripodes if possible.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular work camp; we may be able to organize some outdoor voluntary work but it depends on our partners and the weather. Participants should use the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years, during their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, and having fun while exploring the capital city and some of the most stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle and the South Shore excursions.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in an equipped house, which is located about 4 kilometers from the centre of the city. The house includes basic facilities such as showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. The group will sleep in shared rooms and participants shall bring their own sleeping bag. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal power and glacial rivers. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides. It is an International city with a lively Cosmopolitan cultural scene.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 600** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day-trip each), we will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of August 20 at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Snæfellsnes, Hot River hike or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing good walking shoes, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as some of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 083. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

24.08 - 01.09

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity. **Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on August 24 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.**

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 084. The Highlands of Iceland - The Famous Kjödur Road \(2/2\)](#)

24.08 - 07.09

ENVI / RENO / CONS

15 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will support this project for the eleventh year in a row, we started cooperation in 2009 and the results have been very positive. The hosts are a group of locals developing the area with alternative tourism services, including running a series of huts in this isolated area in the highlands and offering services to visitors and hikers.

In this camp SEEDS volunteers will work on diverse environmental outdoor tasks, including maintenance and development of new walking paths and landscaping around the huts in the area. Volunteers will also help with clearing litter on the walking paths, and assisting with general maintenance and preparations before the winter.

As the landscape is raw, the work can be physically demanding and might require a good physical condition. No previous experience is needed. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

Volunteers need to be prepared for working and walking in a wild landscape in one of the most isolated areas in Iceland. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and bring warm winter clothes as the tasks take place outside and it can get very cold in the highlands. Bring warm under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat scarves and gloves.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be hosted in a local mountain hut; sleeping in shared rooms on mattresses on the floor. Please bring your own sleeping bag. The facilities are very basic and volunteers are expected to show consideration for their companions. Volunteers will receive food ingredients and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: The Icelandic highlands, or "the interior", are a true pearl to nature lovers and outdoor people. It is accessible on 4WD cars and most routes involve crossing rivers where there are not any bridges. If you really want to get away from it all, the interior of Iceland is like nothing you have ever experienced. The mountainous centre of the island, with its rocky deserts, craggy mountain peaks, ice caps, volcanoes, hidden valleys and hot springs, is an awesome and untouched wilderness.

The interior was almost totally inaccessible until recently. However outlaws managed to hide out for years at a time in the highlands, rustling sheep and keeping away from law-abiding citizens. Folklore stories tell of both natural and supernatural beings that lay in wait for unwary highland travellers. Travellers going between the north and south of Iceland sometimes had to cross the highlands. To get to the assembly of Alþingi (parliament) each summer, delegates had to ride from every corner of the country to Þingvellir in the Southwest. Volunteers will be staying close to the glacier Hofsjökull and near to the rivers Hvítá and Þjórsá. The mountains in the area that reach up to 1500 m were formed during a volcanic eruption in the later part of the ice age. The area is still dynamic and great geothermal activity takes place in the surroundings. The environment is very diverse, both in shape and colour. The mountains are weathered and have very little continuous growth, as the forces of nature, like glaciers, water flow, ice bursts etc. have been fast working in these mountain highlands.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language of the camp; high proficiency is not required.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 400 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point in Reykjavík to the campsite & back (on the first and last day of the camp).

Meeting & Departure time will be at 7:00 am in the morning on August 24, at SEEDS office in Reykjavík. We will return to Reykjavík in the evening of September 7.

The location of the camp is remote and very isolated. Free time activities are mostly hiking and trekking in the area as there is no transportation available or possibility to organise transport to different sites.

Volunteers need to be prepared for physical, demanding work. Weather is unpredictable and it can be very cold or rainy in the highlands. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm/winter and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 085. September Photo Marathon in Reykjavík](#)

01.09 - 10.09

ARTS / CULT

8 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

PROJECT: This is the thirteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organizes series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants individual style.

When the workshop ends, we select some of our best pictures from the camp and prepare those images for an informal online exhibition. While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be prepared for walking and visually exploring the city streets and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions. Participants should arrive ready to shoot and should bring with them their own digital cameras, lenses, laptops and tripodes if possible.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular work camp; we may be able to organize some outdoor voluntary work but it depends on our partners and the weather. Participants should use the opportunity to share about their own culture or country, such as food, music, games or films with the international group.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years, during their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland, its culture, and having fun while exploring the capital city and some of the most stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle and the South Shore excursions.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in an equipped house, which is located about 4 kilometers from the centre of the city. The house includes basic facilities such as showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. The group will sleep in shared rooms and participants shall bring their own sleeping bag. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources - geothermal power and glacial rivers. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean on almost all sides. It is an International city with a lively Cosmopolitan cultural scene.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 600** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s.

The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day-trip each), we will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 19:00 (7:00 pm) in the afternoon of September 1 at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Snaefellsnes, Hot River hike or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing good walking shoes, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as some of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 086. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting](#)

01.09 - 09.09

ENVI / SUST / EDU

8 - 12 Volunteers

Age: 18+

PROJECT: The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; with Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavik area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as participation in discussion groups, workshops and presentations; as well as to contribute

directly to environment protection by joining coastal, urban or green-spaces clean-up efforts.

These clean-up efforts may be arranged in partnership with the above mentioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash-hunt projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been made with volunteers. As a hands-on volunteering activity day, included also in this camp is one of the below options:

1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði Power Station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe, or
2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal trash hunt in the area.

We will try to visit the waste collection centre of SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. Some of the activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and having fun. No previous experience is needed. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during the clean-ups, as during other activities and sightseeing.

As part of the project is happening outdoors, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to do some of the activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavik. The facilities are basic with a shower, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. We will sleep in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic Ocean.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available and one trip combined with the trash collection activity.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on September 1 at the SEEDS Office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (eg. Golden Circle, South shore and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the work or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes. Some of the tasks or activities planned may be cancelled in case the weather is not good enough.

[SEEDS 087. Forestry in the far East of Iceland](#)

06.09 - 19.09

NATU / ENVI / CONS

7 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will be working again on a project in the beautiful Hallormsstaðaskógur forest in the far East of Iceland, doing nature and environmental oriented tasks. SEEDS has been cooperating with the Icelandic forest service and our groups of volunteers have been helping out for a few years with very good results for the participants, the projects and the Icelandic nature conservation and reforestation efforts.

The main tasks will be to maintain hiking paths, build stairs, make and put up signs. Volunteers will also put up benches and tables in the forest. Other tasks will be to trim branches and beautify groves that are located near hiking paths. Well maintained paths enable people to visit these amazing areas without damaging the area and

this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors.

No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and requires a good physical condition. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and/or rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

Last but not least, volunteers can explore the surroundings of the location and enjoy free time activities arranged in cooperation with our local project host.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will sleep in beds in a house belonging to the Icelandic forest service. The house is fully equipped. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Hallormsstaðaskógur is the largest wooded area of the country that spreads over 740 ha of land. The reforestation of the forest has been going on since a law for the protection was passed in 1899. The oldest part of the woodland is accessible with good hiking trails and explanation signs. The area offers great variety of trails, such as the deepest valley of the country and up to Sandfell where the view is quite magnificent.

Small streams run through the land where children and adults can cool down in warm summer days. The East Fjords is a region of a special landscape, dominated by long, narrow fjords and steep mountains and the wild reindeer of Iceland are found here, the herd counts between three and four thousand animals.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL & TRANSPORT: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF).

SEEDS organises a "minibus option", a shared transport from Reykjavík & back. Apart from being cheaper and more convenient, it allows volunteers to meet and have a relaxed trip, stopping on the way for interesting sites.

The SEEDS minibus will travel one way along the Northern part of the country and the other along the South coast of Iceland. In this way we will **travel the whole ring road** and stop at magnificent natural sights, including waterfalls, glaciers, volcano craters, hot springs, iceberg lagoons, black sand beaches, etc. **Meeting point at SEEDS office in Reykjavík at 7:00 am of September 6.** Return to Reykjavík in the **late evening** of September 19.

The minibus to this camp will cost EUR 75 (Euros) one way or EUR 150 (Euros) both ways. This is about 30-40% cheaper than public transportation services.

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The participation fee **does not include** the transportation from Reykjavík to the camp and back but we estimate the costs about EUR 75 each way.

This work camp takes place in a very remote place, located in a natural area of extreme beauty. Outdoor free time activities, for instance hikes or walks in the surroundings, will be arranged for SEEDS volunteers.

Volunteers have to bring good working shoes and clothes, as autumn is coming, bring warm winter clothes as walking boots, a good sleeping bag and gloves. The project takes place outside and it can get very cold. Please bring warm under-layers, waterproofs. Free time activities in the area will be organised depending on weather.

[SEEDS 090. Environment & Photography - September](#)

13.09 - 22.09

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global & local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), and you also love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will also be focusing on a few environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

We will also visit local projects on environment and conservation, these may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include coastal and outdoors cleaning actions, a waste collection centre, a visit to a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition or a community dinner. Some activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory into practice, and walk around and visually explore the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the capital city and some stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle excursion or other visits. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. This project has a smaller work part and puts a bigger emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact.

In this project SEEDS will organise a night photography and Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop to the countryside in the close vicinity of Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night. **We cannot guarantee you will see northern lights as solar activity is irregular and it depends on weather and meteorological conditions but we will in any case organise the night photography workshop.**

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared/dormitory rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic on almost all sides. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 380 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop. **Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on September 13 at the SEEDS Office (Grettisgata 3a, 101 Reykjavík).**

Other excursions (eg. South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops or sessions of the camp.

It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats), good walking shoes/boots, as some of the activities take place outdoors.

[SEEDS 088. Island of Viðey \(2/2\)](#)

15.09 - 24.09

ENVI / CONS

7 Volunteers

Age: 18+

WORK/PROJECT: SEEDS volunteers will have the opportunity to work on the historical island of Viðey for the 14th year in a row with our host, the city of Reykjavík.

Viðey is a popular destination during the summer among Icelandic and foreign visitors. Volunteers will help prepare the island for the autumn/winter season. Volunteers will beautify the surroundings by cleaning up the area, especially along the coastline, like hand-picking garbage or collecting trash blown by the wind or brought by the sea to the shores and surroundings.

SEEDS volunteers may carry out some gardening activities as well and possibly make and maintain walking

paths. Well maintained paths enable people to visit the area without damaging it and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors. Depending on the advance of the project and weather conditions, volunteers may have other possible tasks such as checking up and repairing garden furniture.

The working day normally runs from 09:00 - 17:00 with breaks for lunch and coffee; however, please be prepared for some flexibility due to the nature of Iceland's changeable weather. The weather conditions in Iceland are unpredictable and the temperature in May can drop during the evenings. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and be sure of bringing warm clothing since most of the work will take place outdoors. Volunteers should have motivation to work outside and work in all kinds of weather as it can get cold and rainy. Bring warm and/or waterproof clothes (overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) walking shoes/boots as the activities take place outside.

As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be lodged in a local house on Viðey Island, in shared rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

The house has an equipped kitchen. Volunteers will receive food ingredients and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget some traditional/typical food from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Viðey or "Wood Island" is the largest (1,7 km²) island in the Kollafjörður Bay, just outside Reykjavík, the capital of Iceland. The island is covered by many species of plants and at least 30 species of breeding birds have been counted here. Viðey was inhabited from soon after the settlement of Iceland already in the 10th century and at the beginning of the 20th century around 100 people lived there. Today the island is uninhabited.

There is a regular boat connection between the island and the harbour of Reykjavík. The island is only a few hundred metres away from the city and the trip takes about 10 minutes. This makes Viðey so special; it is a peaceful place, very close to the busy city life of the capital. There are hiking and cycling paths around the island and there is no motor traffic allowed. It also inhabits intriguing sculptural artwork, amongst them all nine pairs of basalt pillars that comprise Richard Serra's work *Áfangar* and Yoko Ono's "Imagine peace" column, a tower of light, which is supported by the widow of John Lennon. Other places of interest on Viðey are related to archaeological research.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

Meeting time will be at 14:00 (2:00 pm) on September 15 at SEEDS Office (Grettisgata 3a, 101 Reykjavík).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 380** (Euros) which can be transferred in advance or paid for on arrival. This fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first day of the camp), the Golden Circle excursion and a whale watching trip worth around EUR 200 with tour operators.

We will have free rides in the boat/ferry to the city of Reykjavík during the free time and this is subject to its schedule. Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snaefellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

SEEDS is not a travel agency, we do not have guides and these trips are organized for volunteers to have the chance to travel together and to support SEEDS fundraising. Subject to availability and number of participants.

[SEEDS 089. Botanical gardens in Reykjavik \(9/9\)](#)

20.09 - 03.10

ENVI / NATU

6 - 8 Volunteers

Age: 20+

WORK/PROJECT: This is the tenth year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavík. The Botanic Garden is an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it celebrated its 55th anniversary in 2016. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000-plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff attending the collection of perennials, alpiners, trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organizes guided tours and events

throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out with a short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday, working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Friday when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to join early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon. Lunch will be ordered on working days and shared with the local staff.

No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavik, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. Volunteers will be sleeping in shared rooms/dorms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that volunteers from other projects will also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food and/or drinks from your home country for the international evening.

LOCATION: Reykjavik is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavik including the metropolitan area, or over 200,000 people. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavik is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Ocean on almost all sides. Visitors experience easily the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

Closer than 100 km from Reykjavik, there are several spectacular waterfalls, geysers, impressive coastline and the well-known geothermal Blue Lagoon spa to visit.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavik/Reykjavik (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavik (BSÍ)

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**, which can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transportation from the meeting point to the camp location (on the first and last day of the camp), and the Golden Circle excursion.

Meeting point will be at SEEDS office in Reykjavik at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on September 20. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later/delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River hike, Snaefellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation. Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

[SEEDS 091. Environment & Photography - Film](#)

25.09 - 04.10

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global & local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), and you also love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will also be focusing on a few environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

We will also visit local projects on environment and conservation, these may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include coastal and outdoors cleaning actions, a waste collection centre, a visit to a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition or a community dinner. Some activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory into practice, and walk around and visually explore the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the capital city and some stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle excursion or other visits. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. This project has a smaller work part and puts a bigger emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact.

In this project SEEDS will organize a night photography and Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop to the countryside in the close vicinity of Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night.

During the camp the RIFF, Reykjavík International Film Festival, an annual film festival (24.09 - 04.10) takes place. The main goal is to present dramas and non-fiction films by filmmakers from over 40 countries. Workshops, concerts and exhibitions with directors can also be attended by film-lovers. More information at: <https://riff.is> **SEEDS does not provide festival passes but participants can attend free off-venue events and screenings.**

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared/dormitory rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

LOCATION: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with beautiful nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic on almost all sides. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 380 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop. **Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on September 25 at the SEEDS Office (Grettisgata 3a, 101 Reykjavik).**

Other excursions (eg. South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is free time after the camp workshops or sessions. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes, good walking shoes/boots, as some of the activities take place outdoors.

[SEEDS 092. Environment & Photography - October](#)

07.10 - 16.10

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global & local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), and you also love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will also be focusing on a few environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits

facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

We will also visit local projects on environment and conservation, these may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include coastal and outdoors cleaning actions, a waste collection centre, a visit to a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition or a community dinner. Some activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory into practice, and walk around and visually explore the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the capital city and some stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle excursion or other visits. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. This project has a smaller work part and puts a bigger emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact.

In this project SEEDS will organize a night photography and Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop to the countryside in the close vicinity of Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night. **We cannot guarantee you will see northern lights as solar activity is irregular and it depends on weather and meteorological conditions but we will in any case organise the night photography workshop.**

ACCOMMODATION: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with showers, washing machine, kitchen and everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared/dormitory rooms in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of the cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides **will be vegetarian**. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening, please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 380 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on October 7 at the SEEDS Office (Address: Grettisgata 3a, 101 Reykjavík).

Other excursions (eg. South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops or sessions of the camp.

It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats), good walking shoes/boots, as some of the activities take place outdoors.

[SEEDS 093. Environment & Photography - Winter](#)

19.10 - 28.10

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

PROJECT: During this camp participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global & local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as: climate change, waste management, animal protection, sustainable solutions (& other environmental topics), and you also love taking photographs or want to learn / develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will also be focusing on a few environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits

facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

We will also visit local projects on environment and conservation, these may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include coastal and outdoors cleaning actions, a waste collection centre, a visit to a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition or a community dinner. Some activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, human resources available, as well as availability from our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory into practice, and walk around and visually explore the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the capital city and some stunning nature attractions in the Golden Circle excursion or other visits. Participants should prepare and share about environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

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In this project SEEDS will organize a night photography and Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop to the countryside in the close vicinity of Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night. **We cannot guarantee you will see northern lights as solar activity is irregular and it depends on weather and meteorological conditions but we will in any case organise the night photography workshop.**

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TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 380 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on October 19 at the SEEDS Office (Address: Grettisgata 3a, 101 Reykjavik).

Other excursions (eg. South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops or sessions of the camp.

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[SEEDS 094. Environment & Photography - Waves](#)

30.10 - 08.11

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

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During the time of the camp, **Iceland Airwaves** (November 6-9), an annual music festival is hosted in Reykjavik. There are performances from established and new artists in a host of different venues including art museums and record stores, among many others. More information at www.icelandairwaves.is **SEEDS does not provide passes for the festival, however there are a lot of free events all around town to attend.**

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

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Other excursions (eg. South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is free time after the camp workshops or sessions. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes, good walking shoes/boots, as some of the activities take place outdoors.

[SEEDS 095. Environment & Photography - November](#)

17.11 - 26.11

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

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sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee **EUR 380 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion with a visit to a Geothermal Power plant, as the Night photography & Aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on November 17 at the SEEDS Office (Grettisgata 3a, 101 Reykjavík).

Other excursions (eg. South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops or sessions of the camp. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats), good walking shoes/boots, as some of the activities take place outdoors.

[SEEDS 097. Advent Environment & Photography in Reykjavik](#)

30.11 - 09.12

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

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TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

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Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on November 30 at the SEEDS Office (Grettisgata 3a, 101 Reykjavík).

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[SEEDS 098. Christmas time in Reykjavík - Environment & Photography](#)

14.12 - 23.12

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

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Volunteers will join the festive atmosphere during some days by handing out hot chocolate in the city centre as a way of fundraising for non-for-profit projects of the Icelandic Red Cross. We will help in the preparation by putting up the chocolate stations, decorating the tables, making the chocolate and taking it to the different stations around the city. At the end, we will assist in taking down the stations and leaving the areas clean.

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Other excursions (eg. South shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is free time after the camp workshops or sessions. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm/winter and waterproof clothes, good walking shoes/boots, as some of the activities take place outdoors.

[SEEDS 099. Environment & Photography - New Year Reykjavík](#)

28.12 - 06.01

ENVI / ARTS / CULT

8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

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Celebrate the New Year in a vibrant city with new friends from around the world. Watch the large fireworks display illuminate the sky, celebrate around a bonfire and party into the night.

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Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on December 28 at the SEEDS Office (Grettisgata 3a, 101 Reykjavík).

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