

EU-funded volunteering  
in an open cultural platform

# DIE BÄCKEREI KULTURBACKSTUBE

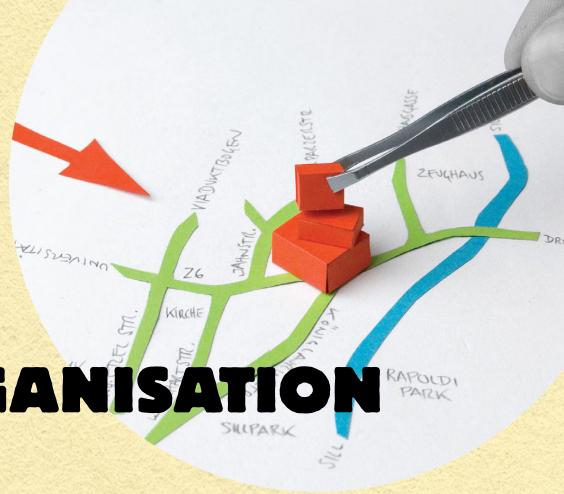


Participative and Creative Cultural Management and Cooperation

Apply for a 12-month project  
in Innsbruck, Austria  
starting on September 19, 2022

We are looking for  
a motivated volunteer  
from the EU/EEA!

## ABOUT THE HOSTING ORGANISATION



The “Bäckerei” (the German word for bakery) is an old former bakery which had been abandoned for ten years, until 2010. A motivated bunch of people took over and breathed life into the building. It has now become a successful platform for cultural exchange and social innovation in Innsbruck, which aims to enable people to share knowledge and know-how on cultural themes and topics of social interest.

There is no specific target group of “Die Bäckerei – Kulturbackstube” – we have a wide range of activities suitable for a big spectrum of audience. Whether someone wants to host weekly Yoga classes, music workshops, regular start up meetings or organize a concert or any kind of artistic endeavour, we provide support to make it happen.

Die Bäckerei is a place for experimentation, offering an easy-to-use frame to try things out in our location, which has a usable surface of 1000m<sup>2</sup>. It should not be seen just a venue for event promoters to rent. The goal is to support people in turning their ideas into reality, organize events and projects together and support local social entrepreneurs who are implementing a sustainable and creative business practice.

Moreover, we try to mix different groups of interests, ages and genres to create an untypical situation which can turn out fruitful in the sense of communication, exchange and networking.

The aim is to get people to take part in events - workshops, concerts and longer-term projects - in order to spread the idea of arts and culture as a powerful tool for change.

Our wish for this project is to have a volunteer who is interested in online communication and is motivated to create multimedia content (photos, videos and graphic design).

Furthermore, our new volunteer should be interested in curation and culture management. We are seeking a good support in everything that surrounds creating a successful event or project - booking, hospitality, working on event concept, doing event shifts etc. No experience in the field is required!

Every year we organize, co-organize and host more than 300 cultural activities, we offer a very diverse cultural program, which overall leads to an exciting and diverse work environment and a wide set of skills that can be developed.

**Die Bäckerei is looking for one EuSC volunteer who lives in Europe and who is motivated to support their team in the field of open cultural and artistic work, with the focus on topics of arts and communication, for 12 months starting in September 2022!**

# ABOUT THE LOCATION

“Die Bäckerei - Kulturbäckstube” is situated in the centre of Innsbruck, with around 130.000 inhabitants, the capital of the Austrian region of Tirol. Die Bäckerei is located 10 minutes walking distance from the main train station.

The volunteers will live in the centre of the town, in a shared flat. Innsbruck has several cultural venues, libraries, galleries, historic monuments and numerous bars, outdoor and indoor recreational and sports facilities and mountains all around.

Furthermore, Tirol shares borders with Germany, Italy and Switzerland, providing ample opportunities for travel in the region.

The community around Die Bäckerei is active and plays an important role in the cultural scene of the city. Most of the projects developed here are run by dedicated and highly motivated locals and international people. This makes Die Bäckerei-Kulturbäckstube the main venue in Innsbruck where cultural production and diversity of the program is organized by locals and local associations.

Die Bäckerei - Kulturbäckstube also develops and implements formats and projects which take place outside the confines of our building. These are meant to take us out of our comfort zone and enable the transfer of our methodology and knowledge to other communities, while providing a change of scenery and a new challenge for us.

Of course, our volunteers are expected to be motivated to explore new communities and areas with our travelling formats such as Gemeindelabor and Botanica!

In the summer 2021 we also co-organized a big festival in the city center with several other cultural institutions of the city - ALLES GUTE FESTIVAL. Our volunteers will be more than welcome to also be part of this!



# ABOUT THE EuSC PROJECT

**Duration: 12 months  
from September 19, 2022  
until August 11, 2023**

\*As the project and funding are still pending approval by the Austrian National Agency, these dates may change.

**Accommodation:** The volunteers will live in the centre of the town, in a shared flat. Your flatmates in the apartment will be other die Bäckerei employees and interns. The apartment is fully furnished, has everything needed and will give you the privacy of your own room. The shared apartment is 20 walking minute

**We ask you to be committed to participate for the whole duration, it's important for the project, your learning development and for the hosting organization!**

distance and 5 minute bike distance from die Bäckerei Kulturbakstube. Die Bäckerei will provide the volunteer with a bicycle to freely move around the city. The team will take good care of the volunteer and will also provide a personal mentor who will help with integration not only in the work environment, but also in the city.

## Tasks and Activities of the ESC volunteer:

**Proactivity:** The volunteer will be part of the team at Die Bäckerei – Kulturbakstube and will need to bring in pro-active energy and engagement – the volunteer needs to bring in own ideas and contribution, to fill their working time.

**Web content:** You should be interested in and would like to learn how to create web content (photos and videos) for our social media channels and website.

**Lunch:** You have the possibility to cook once a week for all the involved members of „Die Bäckerei“ and for guests, as an intercultural and social act (this is up to the individual volunteer)

**Workshop project** (optional): Die Bäckerei also manages a tool workshop, where handcraft skills can be developed and used - any handcraft ideas are welcome!

**Cultural management:** You will be able to develop, organize and supervise cultural events - exhibitions, festivals, concerts, workshops...

**Maintenance of the venue:** cleaning, repairing and decorating are also part of cultural work!

**Learning about event management:** The volunteer will have the chance to accompany our organizers through cultural events and learn from them about stage set-ups, sound and light equipment and communication strategies, among others.

The aim is to have smoothly running events. We try to find a good solution for every specific event together with the organizers and we guide the volunteers through the preparation and the implementation of the event.

**Team / Office work:** Developing ideas with the team – learning from staff members and bringing in your own topics of interest, learning how to implement an idea – active participation of the volunteers is welcome (especially in relation with social media and communication, but of course more!).

You will work in a diverse and international team, where English as well as German are used day-to-day. You need to participate in regular team meetings and supervisions (weekly, or sometimes more often).

Idea development is a huge part of Die Bäckerei cultural work - there are several brainstorming and project implementation meetings every week.

# **ABOUT THE PROFILE OF THE VOLUNTEER**

We would be happy to host a volunteer who:

- Is between 18 and 30 years old
- Has a personal interest and / or experience in arts, media, photography, film or communication
- Is open-minded, flexible, pro-active and communicative
- Is interested in learning about arts and culture and creating web content
- Brings in practical handcraft skills or is willing to learn
- Is highly interested in culture management, creating new event formats and working with existing ones at Die Bäckerei
- Is willing to find out about their skills in cultural work

## **We ask for your understanding:**

Only residents of the European Union (EU), Iceland, Liechtenstein or Norway may apply. Due to project approval criteria, we can only accept volunteers in this placement who do not require a residence permit for 12 months in Austria. Unfortunately due to Brexit it is not possible for people from the UK to apply. We ask for your understanding for this project-related necessity.

# **ABOUT THE WORKING SCHEDULE**

The nominal working schedule is 35 hours per week with two consecutive free days. However, volunteering in the field of arts & culture means needing to be flexible sometimes, being ready not to have a strict weekly schedule and to accept working shifts also in the evenings and on weekends.

On rare occasions, at very busy times, the volunteer's working time might exceed the weekly limit of 35 hours, in which case the volunteer will get additional free time!



# ABOUT FINANCES AND FUNDING

InfoEck has submitted this project to the Austrian National Agency of the European Solidarity Corps programme. We will know whether it will be granted and funded in July 2022. We are optimistic, due to good experiences in the past.

The EU, InfoEck and Arche Tirol will finance this volunteering project. The only possible financial contribution that the selected volunteer may need to make is to pay a small share of the travel costs.

During the voluntary service the volunteer will receive insurance, accommodation, sufficient food money, pocket money (150,- Euro) and a German course.

The volunteer can also have lunch on weekdays during the season at Die Bäckerei.

# ABOUT COORDINATING SUPPORT

The lead/coordinating organisation of this project is InfoEck (Verein Generationen und Gesellschaft), an info centre in Innsbruck.

InfoEck coordinates six volunteers in the region of Tyrol and assists the hosting organisations by overseeing the administration, finances and the quality control of the project.

The responsible coordinator is ready to answer open questions and to prepare the project with Die Bäckerei, the selected volunteer and the supporting sending organisation.

The coordinator's name is  
Elisabeth Summerrauer:

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Send applications to Die Bäckerei, not to Elisabeth!



# HOW TO APPLY

**E-mail your CV and the enclosed Application Form  
to Ms Baiba Dēķena at [baiba@diebaeckerei.at](mailto:baiba@diebaeckerei.at)**

**Application deadline: 3rd of July 2022 23:59 CET**

**The selection phase will start after the deadline and the final decision will be taken about two weeks later.**

**Please note: only full applications via e-mail with Application Form and CV attached will be considered.**

\*You can also send something creative to express your motivation additionally.



*We look forward to receiving your applications!*

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