

EVS Project Netherlands Nature Farming : Natural & Sustainable Region Effect!

Number of volunteers: 2

Period of volunteering: 1st of October 2016 – 1st of October 2017 (12 months)

Start of project: 1 October 2016

Background: The Stichting Buitengebied Drogeham organises active and educative farm visits, school visits on the farm and in the surrounding nature. Important goals are to educate children and adults to become more involved in the sustainable management of the natural environment and to develop leisure activities in the region of Drogeham.

In the near future the farm has the aspiration to transform the near farm fields into a 'Food-forest' to serve as a natural resource for both animals and humans.

The farm is located in a small village called Drogeham in the very north of the Netherlands. The accommodation on location is shared by the two EVS volunteers.

Tasks of the volunteer:

- Taking care of nature
- Taking care of animals
- Hosting groups of children and teaching them (in Dutch) about the farm animals
- Activities in the natural surroundings, and making a plan for the Food-forest
- Maintenance of the natural landscape
- Giving a hand where needed
- Expressing your interests and experience, so that you can use this at the farm (together with the farmer you will look how you can implement your skills and experience into daily farm life)

Expected characteristics of the volunteer:

- You dare to think out of the box!
- You are independent and you dare to take initiative
- You have green fingers and are passionate to sustain nature
- You are preferably interested in a self-sufficient life and permaculture
- You are committed to animal welfare
- You like working with children

As the volunteers will be working with children, we encourage volunteers to learn a bit of Dutch before the start of the project.

The description of the organisation is available on the EVS database:

http://europa.eu/youth/vp/organisation/941571241_en

The website of the hostorganisation is: <http://www.hamstermieden.nl/>

(the website is in Dutch but you can get an impression looking at the pictures)

We are looking for motivated people and, as they will stay together for one year, preferably of the same gender.

DEADLINE: HOW TO APPLY: Please, send your CV and motivation letter to info@vsi.ie before the 24th of March 2016

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