

Hi Poland!

In short time I will be there to find out how it is in a country which was neighbour of Romania 100 years ago! I expect that Poland and Romania have a lot in common (more that I already know).

Talking about me, I can say that I am a dynamic and positive thinking person, thanks to the fact that I like to run and read as much as I can. I like reading because it will fill me with knowledge and it develops my capacity to think. Also, I found a lot of answers in books, because I must feed my brain all the time. I like running, because it makes me stronger physically and mentally too. Also, it relaxes me and clears my thoughts.

Every day it is a gift from God, in which I want to interact with people and to discover new things.

I am ambitious, determined, and hard-working in achieving my goals. On the other hand I am very friendly, open-minded and communicative.

I have a Bachelor in Economics (specialization Agro food and Environmental Economics) and a master degree also in Economics (specialization Administration and Financing of Development Projects). In this period I've developed an economic and ecologic thinking in the same time. I believe that world will come back to an economy based on culture, traditions and ecology.

The most important things in life for me are the peace, tolerance and freedom, things that makes me believe in love, compassion and human kindness

Thanks to Zamolxes Foundation, I've learned a lot about volunteer activities and how it can help the society and also the volunteer. For me being a volunteer it is a lifestyle and it increase the chances to meet a lot of people, to have a lot of friends, to have great time with them and it helps a lot in your personal development.

Until now, I participated in projects like:

- Youth Exchange: „Wings” – Falkirk (Scotland), October 2004;
- Grundtvig Lifelong Learning Programme: „Young People in Action” – Limassol (Cyprus) October 2010;
- Youth Exchange: „In Harmony with Nature, To Be or Not To Be” – Campina (Romania) July 2012;
- Grundtvig Lifelong Learning Programme: „Young People in Action” – Nowosolna (Poland) July 2012.

During these projects I communicated with many people from other countries. Due to these projects I got experience to do team work, to work in multicultural group, find solutions in problematic situations, etc. All of them will also contribute to do this voluntary project perfectly.

My motivation for taking part in this EVS project is based on many aspects. First it is a great chance for me to live and work abroad, to know more about the polish culture, history and people also. Second, it will help me to improve my English skills and also to learn another language. Third, I am happy that I will communicate and cooperate with children, teenagers

and young people, to transfer to them some knowledge and experience I have. This project is a good opportunity for me to make changes, to achieve something more and to use my inner potential doing something valuable.

Now I am preparing for a new experience. To be prepared for that I've started to learn about Polish history, culture and also polish language.

My previous experiences in international projects will help me to adapt more quickly in a different culture like the Polish one.

I hope my enthusiasm, energy, knowledge and skills will be enough to handle in this project.

Thanks to the project Echoes of Europe, a lot of people will realise how important is to be a volunteer in a developed society. Also, it will help people to realise that they must be more tolerant with others, and this will help them to become integrated in the big European family.

I am happy to take part in this attempt to create a better world.

See you soon,

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