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SAXONY-ANHALT meets Europe

A unique success story in Europe



One time...
to feel, dream and embrace Europe

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The story of a unique initiative



What is Europe? A continent. Well, that's obvious. It's also, however, a place where many different cultures live and work together.

Experiencing Eurocamp just once- the 'Countries Café', culture evenings and Eurovision- you will be convinced that Europe simply captivates through its amount of variety; which is exactly what makes life so exciting! That said, you will be astonished at how the 3 weeks at Eurocamp are as exciting as they are tiring. Basically you are given the chance to get to know what enjoyable and exhilarating opportunities Europe has to offer, not just for now, but for the future.

The Auslandsgesellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt e.V. creates unforgettable moments by bringing the young people of Europe together and, by working and taking part in varied free-time activities together, the idea of different cultures living as one can then be realised.





“You can travel to Iceland and bathe in the hot springs. You can travel to Greece to see the Acropolis. You can travel to Hungary to eat traditional goulash, but in order to get to know young people from all over Europe, you really have to take part in Eurocamp.”

Dorit Krost
German Eurocamp participant 1995

from Eurocamp

PORTRAITS

“After Eurocamp I went Inter-railing and then began studying. I became a mentor for the international students at the university. I’m still in contact with an Irish girl I met at Eurocamp after 7 years and we’ve met each other quite a bit since then in Ireland, Holland and Guadeloupe where she now lives.”

Christian Danielsen
Dutch Eurocamp participant 1999



“Because of a close relationship to one of the Spanish camp participants, I started to learn Spanish. I studied German and International Law and now work on the Board of Directors for AEGEE- an organization that co-ordinates European student exchanges.”

Beatrice Doria
Italian Eurocamp participant 1999



“The 3 weeks at Eurocamp were very intensive and good practice in being more open: tolerance was the key word. The next year I went to Belgium as an Erasmus student and then studied in Germany for a year.

After that, I moved to Paris. Now I’m back in Torino, pregnant and would like to see my child in Eurocamp in some years.”

Paola Frugo
Italian Eurocamp participant 1994



Since 1992 Saxony-Anhalt has organized the international youth exchange Eurocamp. The idea was born from the ministry of European affairs. How are young people experiencing the ever-growing Europe? The result was Eurocamp - an event inviting young peo-

1992

1992- In the summer of 1992, a dream was made into reality. 63 young people from 17 different countries in Europe met for 3 weeks at a campsite in the Schlaiz, Bitterfeld area, for the first Eurocamp. At the campsite, there was a varied programme of sporting and cultural activities of which everyone could take an active part in. The focus was on working and living together. One of the projects was constructing paths in the Schaitz, for example. An unforgettable highlight was when a 'Europe Day' was organised in Bitterfeld. There, the Camp's culinary and cultural events could be introduced and presented by each country to a wider audience.



This great success meant that the region of Saxony-Anhalt could continue to host Eurocamp for the following years.

1993

1993- The next year Wettin, Saal district hosted the Camp. 69 young people from 22 different European countries built a children's playground, helped to reconstruct and regenerate the disappearing course of streams, made eroding riverside woodland safer by erecting dry stone walls during the construction of many hiking trails in the national park „Unteres Saaletal“.

Leisure activities enabled the Eurocampers to see the different sides of Saxony-Anhalt like wine tasting in Freyburg, and canoe trips on the river Unstrut. Meetings with participants 'Youth research for Europe' and cultural spectacles such as theatre and fashion show 'Version C2' enriched the programme.

At the end of the Project, the Eurocampers arranged a European buffet. Even at this moment no one thought it would develop into a Camp tradition.



1994



1994- This year the Neuenburg Castle became the Camp's host. 60 young Europeans from 22 European countries met at this historic town in Freyburg, district of Burgen. For the first time, group leaders from Italy and Greece came along to help design the programme.

The Eurocampers lay cables and brought flood-lights so that, after completion, the Castle would be seen brightly lit up at night. Of course, what would a castle be without a Middle Ages evening complete with a self-created theatrical play? Another highlight of the Camp was meeting up with the youngsters from Naumburg- creating a band and making up songs.

Additionally the Eurocampers could explore the region and its amenities using canoes and bikes with the kids from the neighbouring area.

1995

1995- For the fourth Eurocamp, St Gertrudis Abbey in Hedersleben, district of Quedlinburg was chosen as the next location. 63 participants from 24 countries worked in ecological projects and helped to refurbish the Abbey itself. After good experiences with group leaders from different countries in previous years, five ex-Eurocampers



from Spain, Portugal, Italy and Croatia also took part with whom the programme was given a more international flair. From the initial Spanish idea, an international Camp newspaper emerged for the first time, in which not only news would be printed but also several reports from Camp participants about their home. The highlight of the Camp was the 'culture night' where the Eurocampers performed Dracula onstage. In bringing the Camp to an end the youths surprised us with a self written Eurocamp song.



ple from as many different European countries as possible.. By working together and participating in various different activities, the Eurocampers get to experience living together for three weeks in tolerance and learning about the Saxony-Anhalt region of Germany.

1996- For the first time, through the newly established Auslandsgesellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt e.V., Eurocamp was gearing up to welcome 62 kids from 28 European countries. For good reason the participants met again in the Abbey garden in Hedersleben. After the reshaping of the garden pond was brought to an end, the Abbey was then finally completed after the construction of the vegetable patches.

The Eurocampers discovered the town of Hedersleben by finding special objects and town figures in order to create a piece of theater with the gained knowledge. An international children's party with European games and puzzles formed the flair of this year's Eurocamp. The culinary highlight was again the international buffet, which was especially spectacular this year.



1996



1997- The 6th Eurocamp took place in Stendal, Altmark. This year, 79 youngsters from 31 different countries could get excited about Eurocamp. These youngsters erected a playground in a meadow and built a enclosure in the Stendal Animal Park. In addition, an adventure playground was renovated in Stadtforst, a nature trail was constructed and refuge for hikers was erected.

The highlight of this year's programme was the African Night where all the participants from the workshops came together and performed their work, for example, there were dances, drums and theatre pieces. The finale of this Eurocamp was a circus show where the youths showed off as clowns, artists and animal tamers.

1997

Our location this year was at the village of Frose in Aschersleben. 83 youngsters from 34 European countries erected a beautiful lookout point in Bürgerpark which overlooked the lake landscape and reformed the surroundings of the „Hexentreppe“ on the college church. Aside from that, an old coach house was renovated and the primary school garden in Frose was also newly constructed.

In several workshops the youngsters discussed their opinions about being European and depicted their neighbours as a caricature or stereotype. Other activities include the traditional cultural night and the international buffet. In autumn, group leaders and participants from the last five years met up at a seminar to discuss and evaluate the further development and sustainability of Eurocamp.



1998



1999- This time we were in Mücheln in Geiseltal. We welcomed 85 youngsters from 35 European countries and worked on the regeneration of the Barock Gardens, built a mini golf amenity in a stunning swimming pool complex and revived a sports hall for the school for the mentally and physically handicapped children.

In a varied programme the youngsters collectively discussed about politics in European countries and presented their visions of what Europe will look like in the year 2050 with posters and sketches. The Eurocampers would show their artistic sides through their interpretation of the 'Town singer of Mücheln' and their self created Middle Ages market at the Quefurt Castle.

For the first time we organised our international training where youngsters are introduced to the field of international youth work and develop their own project ideas.

1999

“I come from Stambolysiski and am very happy that I was allowed to take part in the Eurocamp family. I heard about Eurocamp through my school. I was lucky that I got a place and now I’m here. Since that time I have gotten to know lots of people from different countries

2000 91 young people from 36 European countries took part in Eurocamp in Zörbig, Bitterfeld region. This year’s work was linked with the continuing reconstruction of the Gut Möblitz socio-cultural centre. Together they built a beehive and carried on with the construction of a bakery with an old clay baking oven.



Due to contracts with the organisers of EXPO (an exhibition held annually all over the world), Eurocampers had the chance to get an insight into industrial landscapes in locations such as Wolfen, Dessau and the former mining town of Goitische. This background knowledge resulted in the creation of a theatre performance in a somewhat artistic manner- a culture spectacle called Ferropolis. Another highlight was the historical game in the catle of Zörbig. For the first time, the Eurocampers presented their own countries and organised the „Ländercafe“and

2001 Eurocamp celebrated its 10th birthday and, with the help of the volunteers, went online with its own website. 84 young people from 33 countries took part in this anniversary year. The evangelic youth welfare foundation in the town of Bernburg was the location for this year’s Camp. Countless projects about the history and future of Eurocamp were established, which then lead to the formation of a Eurocamp museum. Our theatre project was portrayed the diverse fairytale figures and folk heroes from the respective European countries. There was also a lot of hands-on work this year. With shovels, brushes and hammers the work area was improved, a children’s playground was constructed and a youth club was renovated.



2002 This summer, the community of Letzlingen was recommended to Eurocamp as a location for the 82 young people from 33 countries. The central focus of the programme was a debate, in various forms, about the EU enlargement. At the Eurovision song contest, the youngsters had different opinions about this issue and competed for the victory using their self made video clips and creative song lyrics. In ‘Camp-TV’ and in onstage debates, the youngsters discussed these political issues. The Eurocampers improved life for the young people of Letzlingen and the surrounding area, through their physical work in the Castle grounds and church and in a nursery school.



2003 After 10 years we were back in Freyburg for three weeks. 63 youngsters from 30 countries got involved with landscape gardening, in which they helped out on a vineyard, participated in the refurbishment of the local youth centre and constructed a rather historical path to the Neuenberg Castle.

In a simulation, the Eurocampers transformed into parliamentary members and dicussed Europe’s foreign, cultural, and social politics in a parliament meeting. The Eurocampers were kept creatively active with the new edition of the Eurovision song contest and an interactive town game.

For the first time, the Auslandsgesellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt e.V. set up training for project planning, where former Eurocampers could develop their own projects.



and spent many funny nights with them, for example when we went to the wine tasting in Freybourg. To me, Eurocamp is a big adventure that I will never forget for as long as I live.”

Radoslav Lazarov Eurocamp participant 1999 from Bulgaria

The colourful town of Wernigerode became even more colourful during the 13th Eurocamp, as 80 youngsters from 28 countries descended on its doors. European diversity was the established focus of Eurocamp's international film festival. Here the Eurocampers could become scriptwriters, cameramen or actors. The result: 10 short films- some funny, some serious, some black and white, some silent. The „Kulturnacht“ would be the stage for the Eurocamp band and the many contributors from various countries.

The youngsters left visible tracks by setting up the first themed garden for the regional garden exhibition, as well as improving the pathways in the park surrounding the Castle. Additionally, they supported the construction of an ecological garden.



2004

The royal palace during the Middle Age and the small village of Tilleda at the foot of the Kyffhäuser mountains were the focus of this year's Eurocamp for 67 young people from 33 different countries. The on-going differences of opinions about European history and its future, has established a definitive focal point for the camp. So the Eurocampers produced a movie sequence about the turning points in European history. This film was presented at the Middle Ages spectacle. The Eurocampers further developed their knowledge and visions of Europe's past by designing a conference about Europe's future. Obviously there were also work projects at Königspfalz Tilleda. The youngsters built an impressive wooden tower, erected fences and improved the parking facilities at Roßla residential castle.



For the first time, the Auslandsgesellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt e.V. sent four young people from Saxony-Anhalt to Spain, Lithuania, Latvia and the Czech Republic as European volunteers.

2005

2006, Eurocamp turns 15 years old and Halle turns 1200 years old. Time for a review of certain accomplishments and a discussion about Eurocamp's future potential. For this, 70 youngsters from 30 countries met in the city of Halle. Art workshops, with an interactive exhibition under the motto 'Days of change- 15 years of Eurocamp', were presented to countless numbers of visitors who were in attendance. As 'politicians' from their homelands, the Eurocampers developed an action programme for the young people of Europe, which was ceremoniously signed for after completion. This year a cycle path was extended, a hiking path was restored and a children's playground complete with a tree house and an assault course was created.



2006



There's always something different! Eurocamp followed the call of the mountains and brought 77 youngsters from 30 countries back to the town of Wernigerode in Harz.

This year's work projects were connected to the results of where the 2004 Eurocampers left off and were again located in the Castle's surrounding parks and the former exhibition grounds.

The Eurocampers presented their short films about diversity in Europe. Like always the participants argued enthusiastically about the „Brockenhexe“. The fundamental idea of the films and other such parts of the programme were linked to the European youth campaign: 'All different, all equal'.

2007

Work

Leaving behind visible traces

projects



A special side to Eurocamp is that of collaborative work in projects for countryside, environment, culture and monument care, resulting in better looking towns and landscapes in Saxony-Anhalt. This not only improves the quality of living for residents in the area but particularly the young people living there.

Without Eurocamp the residents would have to wait several years for their plans to be realised.



The Eurocampers work 5 hours a day on different projects with the support of experts. They are encouraged to implement their own plans and ideas. This helps to develop a closer relationship with „their“ castle, village or town.



„The word ‘Baroque’ doesn’t come to mind when thinking of the town Mùcheln but nevertheless, Mùcheln had a Baroque garden. It was actually only first properly explored after the Eurocampers had spent 3 weeks there and had smartened it up. Today, the residents of Mùcheln love to come here and relax in the garden.“

Steffen Keller

Construction department manager in Mùcheln

To us Eurocamp was...

“... the result of the collective work were flood lit walls and towers that also lit up the surrounding valley at night. This was a small but important contribution to european history which was made at the Neuenburg Castle.”

Kristine Glatzel
Director of the Neuenburg Castle



Let there be light, Neuenburg | 1994

Something new is created

Whether it was the lights of Neuenburg Castle, Freyburg, the nature playground in Stendal and the surrounding area or the Baroque garden in Mücheln- the needs of the location are always catered for by the work projects.

Projects like the restoration work at Heidersleben Abbey or the improvement of the landmarked house facade in Gut Mößlitz supported the development of new associations and initiatives. The establishment of playgrounds for games such as street ball, or a bakery with a clay oven and bee gallery are improving the life of children and young people.



European Youth present oneself

Ländercafé

instead of 5 o`clock tea



As with the beginning of the Camp, our „Ländercafé“ offers the Eurocampers the possibility to introduce their country. “Just think about what the most amazing thing for you is about your region and country and how you can present your ideas in an original way.” With these words the future Eurocampers were already on their way to discovering Saxony-Anhalt.

After arriving at Eurocamp, over 30 countries introduced themselves in various impressive ways. Hardly any attention was paid to the usual flyers and brochures from the tourist office.



Everything possible to drink was drunk. What culinary delicacies the participants had introduced to us were eaten and an endless amount was learnt about the different countries and their cultures.

Instead, interactive country quizzes, spontaneously played out scenes, folktales or folk dance- were performed with loving, lively, honest patriotism.



Kulturnacht

colourful and comedic

Kulturnacht - the culture night in Eurocamp is our platform for traditional dancing, songs or poetry from the countries of the participants. Here, the Eurocampers can perform a live premiere of their theatre plays or create a exhibition of posters and photo and the Eurocamp band go on stage with mix of new arranged, european songs.

The night of culture - live at Eurocamp 2007

At the Kulturnacht, which is an annual tradition, the different cultures are exchanged. Here, the Portuguese Fado was danced, the Moldovan national hymn 'Limba noastra' was sung and Albanian poems read out, for example. The stage was open to everyone who wanted to perform something traditional from their homeland. The highlight of the evening was the entrance of the Eurocamp band performing the Camp's song.





Cooking

The steam certainly rises when the Euro-campers arrange their yearly multicultural buffet.

All participants present delicious culinary dishes from their home regions. And again, there is a lot more to explore and to enjoy in every way.



Denmark and Iceland

Rød grød med fløde
Sweet Meal

Ingredients

500g strawberries
500g rhubarb
250g sugar
200g gelatine
1 litre sweet cream

Preperation

1. Mix strawberries and rhubarb and leave them to cook for about 10 minutes
2. Add the sugar and gelatine
3. A bit later, add the cream



Latvia

Piradzipi ar speki
Meat pirogues

Ingredients

1 kg yeast dough
700 g bacon
100 g butter
50 g flour
2 onion
2 eggs
Pepper

Preperation

Fry the meat and onions
Split the dough into shapes and fill them with the meat
Bake in the oven for around 30 minutes



... it's boiling in the pots of Eurocamp

"... and because I didn't know what it was, I added muesli anyway. It didn't taste good at all."

Anna Mikkela from Finland, about her first meeting
with milk rice pudding at Eurocamp 1999



Turkey and north Cyprus

Sarma

Ingredients
Vine leaves
750g rice
5 onions
Parsley
Salt
Olive oil
Sugar
5 tomatoes
5 lemons
Black pepper

Preparation

Cook the vine leaves. Cook the rice, tomatoes, sugar, onions, oil, salt, parsley and pepper together. When it is all cooked, the leaves can then be filled with the cooked ingredients and rolled up. It must

then be cooked for another hour. When it is finished, it should be left to cool. Sarma is usually served in the evening, cold with lemon inbetween the main meal and dessert. Sarma can also be made with meat with which it would be eaten warm and accompanied with the drink, Raki.



...more recipes on www.eurocamp-agsa.eu

Europe in every way

one stage Theater a lot of action



The Theatre Studio offers Eurocampers the chance to become actively creative. Stage direction, music, props, plays and costumes are performed, devised, sewn together and composed by those individually responsible. Whether it be a famous couple, fairytale figures or strangers in a well known mining pit- art can overcome any country and language barriers alike and can also help to bring inter-cultural plays to the stage.



What would happen if huge insects met up with the Romans in an excavation pit? (A report from Eurocamp 2000)

What do you do with an enormous digger when it has served its time? You place it at Ferropolis - the fascinating iron city - a mining and miling site near Bitterfeld region. It is a peninsula, where in front of a gigantic scenery an enclosed site was created as a very special venue. An exceptional space that holds all qualifications to be a future megacity.

The 2000 Eurocampers had the chance, to use this spectacular 'digger' scenery as their stage to perform a fantastic journey through time. Insects, Romans, aliens and many other individuals met each other, with the ambition of establishing 'Digger'- a place of worship.

So what is necessary when so many different creatures - through species, history and culture established a habitat. What do you need more than the will for survival? How hard is it being tolerant in the smallest of habitats? Or is acceptance the key to community living? **Eurocamp is a type of training environment for Europe.**

Close look at European politics

Europe simulation games creative

Europe for everyone. Once a politician, how do you discuss and make decisions about the future of Europe? How big is Europe and what can or what should Brussels be allowed to control? Whether it's at a youth conference or at a simulation of the EU Parliament, this exercise enables youngsters from Eurocamp to experience European politics at first hand.

Europe in a crisis? Answered the Eurocampers at a youth conference in 2005.

...The conference was opened after a small greeting from the president of the EU Commission and an evening meal. Then the questions



were discussed in work groups. Obviously every country put forward their own representative. It was aimed at maintaining the interests of each country and, at the same time, finding a compromise with the other country representatives. This turned out to be very hard because all the different countries had such contrasting beliefs and ideas of what Europe, as a whole, was to them.

After countless discussions we agreed and created an interesting programme. During this time, we learnt a considerable amount about the political work and obtained a small insight into how difficult it often is to find solutions and compromises together, as a team. (Camp newspaper Eurocamp 2005)

And who knows? Maybe one day a former Eurocamper will have a seat in a real parliamentary conference- like they experienced in Eurocamp. Eurocamp is the training camp for the future of the continent- it's already become a reality!
(regional newspaper 18th August 2005)



Europe in a crisis???

The Eurocampers discuss questions about the future of Europe in a conference. Increased child and youth exchanges, joint degrees- just some of the requests that the Eurocampers asked for in a concluding that was handed to the 'Prime Minister' of Saxony-Anhalt Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Böhmer.



Give Europe a voice

Eurovision

musical fantasies

Leaving behind your own culture and emerging yourself into a foreign one- Intercultural learning in its purest form. Eurocamp makes it possible! What could be a better suggestion than to bring a musical element like Eurovision to Eurocamp? How it will work can be explained very quickly: Every 4-5 participants represent a country, one that isn't their homeland, and use their abilities to compose songs, make humorous video clips with self made costumes and obviously a lot of dancing. Altogether 14 groups prepare themselves using a lot of time and effort over 4 days for the big evening.



"I'm Pascal and I come from Paris", explains Fidan from Russia who is dressed as a croissant. At the Eurovision, the new French people gave it their best when singing the French classic 'Champs Elysee'. After an exciting voting time, and with a live connection to the Countries Studios, the Parisian singer won.

This collection of lyrics, songs and information was well worth it. The differences between old and young Greeks, real or unreal Romanians and Spaniards could hardly be noticed anymore.





Want to direct and shoot your own film? Write a script? Or even be an actor? Everything is possible as a Eurocamper. Film enables the youngsters to go down various avenues tackling complex subjects like democracy in Europe thereby discussing and presenting ideas in an understandable manner.

The film themes are not chosen randomly but are of topical relevance. In order to make sure that no member of each group has a direct reference to their own country, the groups and themes about certain countries would be specifically chosen. To learn more and collect ideas about the themes like 'Russia and the media' or 'Belgium and citizenship' the youngsters were permitted to ask the participants from their respective countries.

With the support of the Team they developed the script further, designed and handcrafted the costumes, the set and written dialogue- nearly everything that belongs to the making of a film.

Film might

Europe in Focus



Journey of discovery

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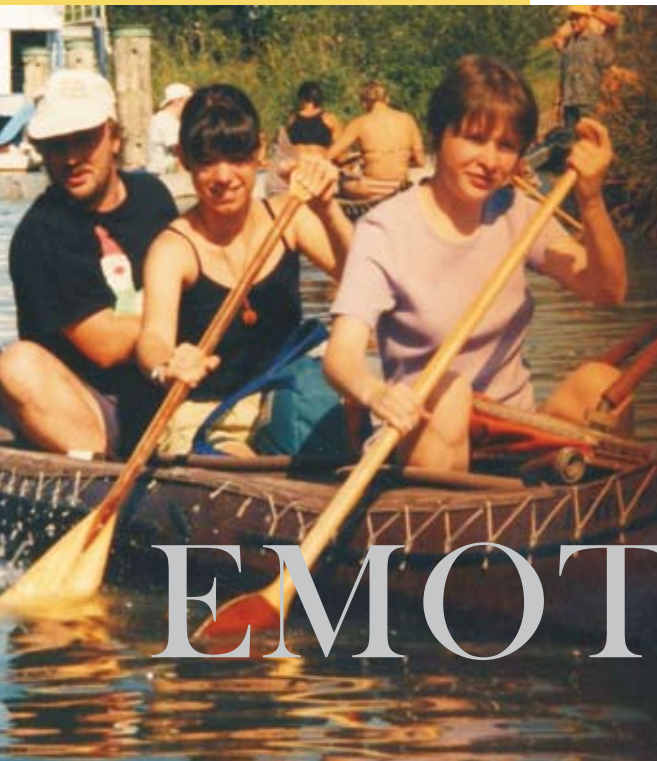


In order to find out about former Eurocamps, Saxony-Anhalt can be explored using canoes, bikes or just by foot. Through many excursions the Eurocampers can get to know the landscape, history and meet locals during different town and village celebrations or sporting activities.



A journey to Red Riding Hood - the name and label of the famous sparkling wine in Freyburg

The Eurocampers were familiarised with the purification technique of wine vats and also explained to from scratch about the wine and sparkling wine making process by the producers. They turned the sparkling wine bottles the obligatory quarter turn, corked them and closed them with a wire seal. But of course took part in an eagerly awaited wine tasting session



EMOTIONS

An exciting history

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Discovering town and country



1200 year old Halle- what could be better suggested than a story about Halle's history for the 15th Eurocamp in 2006?

As the Eurocampers entered Halle, they were greeted traditionally. The city's most famous son personally greeted the youngsters. "Georg Friedrich Händel is my name. I am the most famous son of Halle." It was the project leader Wolfgang Meyer who, dressed in traditional costume, played this part. His plan was that the participants should discover the town through historical figures. For this he had thought about the different tasks were to be achieved for the Eurocampers.



Summer 2002 in Letzlingen. Split into six groups, the Eurocampers had to find several Letzlinger families with only the use of a town map. There, they would find requisites and their costumes to dress up in.

Fairytale characters frolicked in the courtyard of Siglinde Lippold and during the eager preparation of the Anke Olms' wedding the circus group practiced in the courtyard of Bärbel Behrens. On the Friday you could find scores of dancing insects with Inge in the afternoon in Elizabeth House. In the late afternoon they all met on the lawn in front of the hunting lodge to present a circus and theatre performance.



Eurocamp

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ONLINE



Eurocamp online established by Eurocampers for Eurocampers. Developed from varied wishes and concrete project idea in 2000.

Eurocamp is not only three weeks but now an unlimited time. A wish that is now a reality. Here you can chat to other Eurocampers, write cultural or current news about your homeland, create a virtual Eurocamp cook book or just greet friends. Obviously you can also find out about Eurocamp news and other interesting information about youth work.

And who manages all this? The Eurocampers themselves of course—either as European volunteers directly for the overseas subsidiary or simply as a former Eurocamper from a domestic PC. Interactivity is the magic word.



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Herzlich Willkommen, Kalos orieiate, Laipni lugti!

3 Wochen im Sommer gemeinsam mit Jugendlichen aus mehr als 35 Ländern europäische Vielfalt, Gemeinsamkeiten und auch Unterschiede zu ergünden. Das Eurocamp des Landes Sachsen-Anhalt bietet diese einmalige Chance.

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Nun ist es wieder so weit: wir feiern den 7. Geburtstag der EC-Seite! Dafür laden wir dich zu unserem **Chat** ein. **28. Februar** zwischen **17 und 20 Uhr** ein. Im Chat kannst Du deine aktuelle Anmeldung für unsere Webseite benutzen, wenn du noch keine hast, kannst du dich [hier](#) anmelden. Wir, die Freiwilligen im Eurocamp Aga, Corinne und Maud, freuen uns schon darauf, wieder mit Euch über Eurocamp Erinnerungen zu plaudern! Hier gehts zum [Chat](#)

Ausschreibung für Teamer im Eurocamp 2008

Die Ausschreibung für das Organisationsteam ist jetzt online verfügbar. Wenn Du das Eurocamp als Teamer erleben möchtest, etwas Neues ausprobieren und Deine eigenen Fähigkeiten austesten willst, kannst Du Dich jetzt bewerben. Hier findest Du die [Ausschreibung](#), das [Anmeldeformular](#) und den [Fragebogen](#) für die [Bewerbung](#). Deine [Bewerbung](#) sollst Du bis zum **20. März** per Email oder Fax einreichen! Weitere Informationen für Teamer findest Du auch unter [Eurocamp/Aktuelles/Teamer](#)

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...Behind the Scenes

LEADERS

“It’s a great opportunity to properly get to know another country and to also gain an insight into youth work especially for a whole year long...”

Milos Stevanovic from Serbia, 2001 group leader



Milos Stevanovic



“I really wanted to take part in a team in the European community again to improve my tolerance, strength of character, communication skills and more. There, I learnt a lot of things important to my life.”

Marite Urbanovica from Latvia, 2001 and 2002 group leader

The team behind Eurocamp is always international. Former Eurocampers are given the possibility to experience Eurocamp from a totally different perspective and to test their limits. The youngsters are responsible for putting the programme into practice and for organisational issues. They too are available for the participants in case of worries. The team use their previous experiences and skills to give the European participants three unforgettable weeks.

An International group leader training prepares the team for the activities and after Eurocamp they reflect upon their experiences and their gained skills in an evaluation seminar. What is it that makes young people want to spend their free time at Eurocamp, in Saxony-Anhalt time and time again?



EUROCAMP - two viewpoints

Maud Dubois comes from the vicinity of Strasbourg, Christiane Meyer comes from Halle. Both were at the Camp in 2004 in Wernigerode. This time they are organisers. Volksstimme (a local newspaper) intern, Verena Linde, spoke with the two women.

Volksstimme: How does it feel to be back in Wernigerode?

Maud: It's a great feeling to see the same things again and the town where we worked before. I worked on the project in the zoo.

Volksstimme: Why did you both this time decide to become group leaders?

Christiane: We had such an amazing time in 2004 that we just wanted to. We successfully completed a training programme on working in a team and in 2005, for the first time, worked as such. The fact that we are working here in Wernigerode again is pure coincidence- but certainly not a bad thing.

Volksstimme: Is it different working as a team leader as opposed to being a camp participant?

Christiane: Eurocamp is different every year and as a group leader we organise a lot. That's new for me.

Maud: And the former leaders are now our colleagues. We had to get used to that for the first time.

Volksstimme: What do you both like about Euro Camp that makes you come back again and again?

Maud: We learn so much here. Particularly about other cultures. When can you meet 30 different countries at one time. It's just unbelievable. Oh and we also learn german.

Volksstimme: What are you expecting from this year's Camp?

Maud: We hope that everything goes according to plan.

Christiane: Above all, that the youngsters have fun.

Maud: And we have a special hint. The international buffet at the end. That's always excellent. This year we are going to put the recipes on the internet so that we can cook the food again afterwards.



Maud Dubois

Christiane Meyer





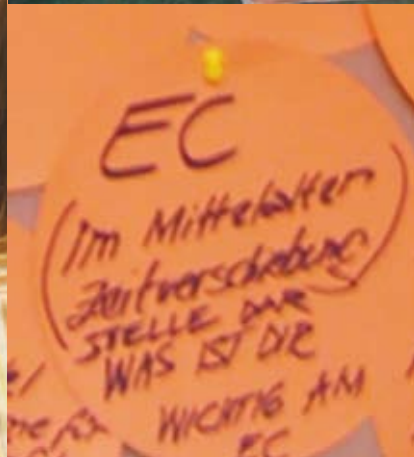
“It was clarified how important it is to understand other cultures, people, countries and traditions. With this method, one can easily show the differences between other cultures and nationalities and how important it is to understand and be tolerant to others.”

Anastasia Malenkaja from Moldova about the learning exercise Bafa Bafa in 2004 training.

The training project planning goes a step further. Youngsters who have their own project ideas or already are in work groups and have a project, can further develop with regards to content and organisation through the help of the trainers. How do you motivate someone from a village in Saxony-Anhalt who has never been abroad and who hardly knows anything about Europe to come to an international exchange?

How do you get over language deficits? Staying in a Youth Hostel or with a family? What kind of logistical challenges would be faced with a 600 km bike tour from Vilnius to Minsk?

The youngsters will not be left alone with such questions. Experienced trainers chaperone the discussions; creative presentations structure the process and enable intensive learning. The youngsters also give presentations on the results from their discussions allowing others to bring forth critical points of view and thus learn more from each other. Simulation exercises also serve as the first practical test.



Learn a foreign language, work abroad and get to know new cultures! This is exactly what the Auslands-gesellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt offers to numerous youngsters from Saxony-Anhalt by giving them the chance to work as a volunteer for 6-12 months in a European country.

Volunteer in EUROPE



At the same time you develop your empathy through interaction with children, youth and elderly people, assisting environmental initiatives or communicating your perspectives on Europe in school projects. The wish to learn a new language and to become aware of another culture are further motives for choosing your project and country.

“At the beginning, I found it really peculiar that everyone spoke about the continuous fair weather on the Île d’Oléron when the whole year round, to July, there was nearly nonstop rain and storms. In Germany, at the very last moment, I had packed an umbrella in my rucksack (thank god!).

Here in France I have a completely different life. I had to learn to speak another language and gained an insight into not only working with children but into the International field. I have learnt how enriching it is to discover other countries and cultures...”

Claudia Rau - volunteer in Saint Pierre, France



“I didn’t want to end up as an office monkey but wanted to see what else there was to be discovered in the world [...]

What I found amazing at the beginning was that I could survive so much chaos and timelessness. Now I am really happy and I already feel half Spanish. Foremost, I know where I’m from and that ‘itchy feet’ always will be a part of me.”

Claudia Göbel - volunteer in Atea, Spain



Saxony-Anhalt shows how hospitable and cosmopolitan it is. European youngsters live, learn and work for a year in Saxony-Anhalt. They learn about the country, the people and find out a lot more about international youth work and project management.

Volunteer at AGSA

For the others, Eurocamp unfortunately lasts only 3 weeks but as a European volunteer with the *Auslandsgesellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt e.V.* there is the year long opportunity to experience the planning of the next project and to understand exactly how it is arranged. The duties range from website design for the preparation of future Eurocamp participants Europe-wide, assistance in training programmes and seminars to free and independent implementation of exciting workshops in Eurocamp. This chance is offered every year for up to 4 youths from Europe in our project 'live and learn in a one world house'.



"I wanted to go to Germany because I knew the country quite well through my German friend. I had studied the language but could, of course, be better. Now I am here, Streusel cake, pink houses, kebabs and the Magdeburg accent are all ingredients in my EVS life.

My life is international, at home I live in Italy, Poland, Sweden and Germany at the same time. Could life be better? I think not!"

Rebecka Olsson - volunteer from Malmköping, Sweden

"Magdeburg is a very beautiful town, which surprised me because I didn't really think it would be. There are lots of green areas and I haven't missed my home so much because I'm always in a good mood here.

Asimna Metaxa - volunteer from Athens, Greece



We are also **EUROPA**

**A meeting for disadvantaged youngsters
from Poland, Romania, France and Germany**



For 6 years, Auslands-gesellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt e.V. has organised meetings between youngsters from different countries under the motto 'We are also Europe'. Here, young people from Poland, Romania, France and Germany, who have limited access to international excursions and exchange programmes, meet for 2 weeks.

In the mornings they work in international groups to improve the chosen location for the project, changing countries in the groups in between tasks. In the afternoons intercultural workshops, real life experiences and sporting activities like excursions to the surrounding area are offered so that the youngsters have a good setting in which to discover and strengthen their skills.

Through close friendships and learning important vocabulary of other foreign languages, prejudices are quickly broken down and Europe is experienced as a dynamic whole. Also, the preparation of each country's traditional food, fun and games in the evening assisted in emphasizing acceptance and tolerance.



"The Camp is to help to break down the fear of others. That has worked really well so far."

Michael Marquardt,
executive of the
Auslands-gesellschaft
Sachsen-Anhalt e.V.



Environment

VIKAT

International youth seminar

in Estonia

“The Estonians were great. They carried us safely with bikes through the streets of Tallinn and barefoot through the marshlands. In spite of the serious nature of the subjects, it was still fun whether there was a sauna evening or a dutch tulip game for example.”

Franziska Eichentopf, german participant from Halle.

Vikat – with power and mind for protection of all beautiful. The central focus of the environment seminar was the subject of turf degradation. How far is this issue in Estonia argued in comparison to other participant countries? How will these depleting areas be regenerated? What kind of effects will this have on the region and society? During discussions with lecturers from the University of Tallinn about the people

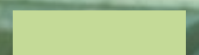
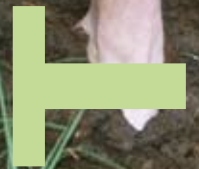
„To experience a piece of nature in Estonia. Bike tours and hicking - exhausting but also the best route through Estonia.“

Susanne Goellner
German participant
from Bernburg

who hike through the marshy areas and visitors of the abandoned decomposing turf fields, comes across to us as problematic. For the purpose of environmental protection, an ecological toilet, obviously of a natu-

ral base etc, with self made colours would be created. Vikat- a success story for the environment group Sorex and Auslandsgellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt e.V.

Ellen Trelle and Irma Soorand from Estonia, Eurocampers in 2002, now actively work for the environmental association ‘Sorex’ and ‘Circle’. In 2003, both took part in the training for project planning and the development of this concept for the environment seminars. Together in 2004, they put it into practice.





-Sound

ORGANISERS



“... for me it was so exciting that I spent my holiday at Eurocamp. I will never forget the spontaneous organisation of the Middle Ages evening. The conversation evenings, meals, drinks and small games; for example young people from east and west Europe talking about their problems. Another interesting time was when at the same time as we were at the Hedersleben Abbey, there was also a seminar How quickly everything arose during cooking, playing instruments, partying and sport.”

Harry Stolte, Chairman in the association “Abbey Hedersleben”



“...Although Frose had two victories in the competition for the most beautiful village, we thank last but not least the work of the Eurocampers. And ask the former Mayor who was responsible for offering the town as the location for Eurocamp what she would say about it. And with three words the answer is ... Eurocamp was super!”

Blanka Metze, Mayoress in Frohse



“The meeting of young people from the whole of Europe, in spite of differences or political relations always impressed me. Europe grows together if the youngsters from all countries understand each other.”

“I hope that it develops year after year, allowing others to take part in it and that it contributes to the ever-growing Europe.”

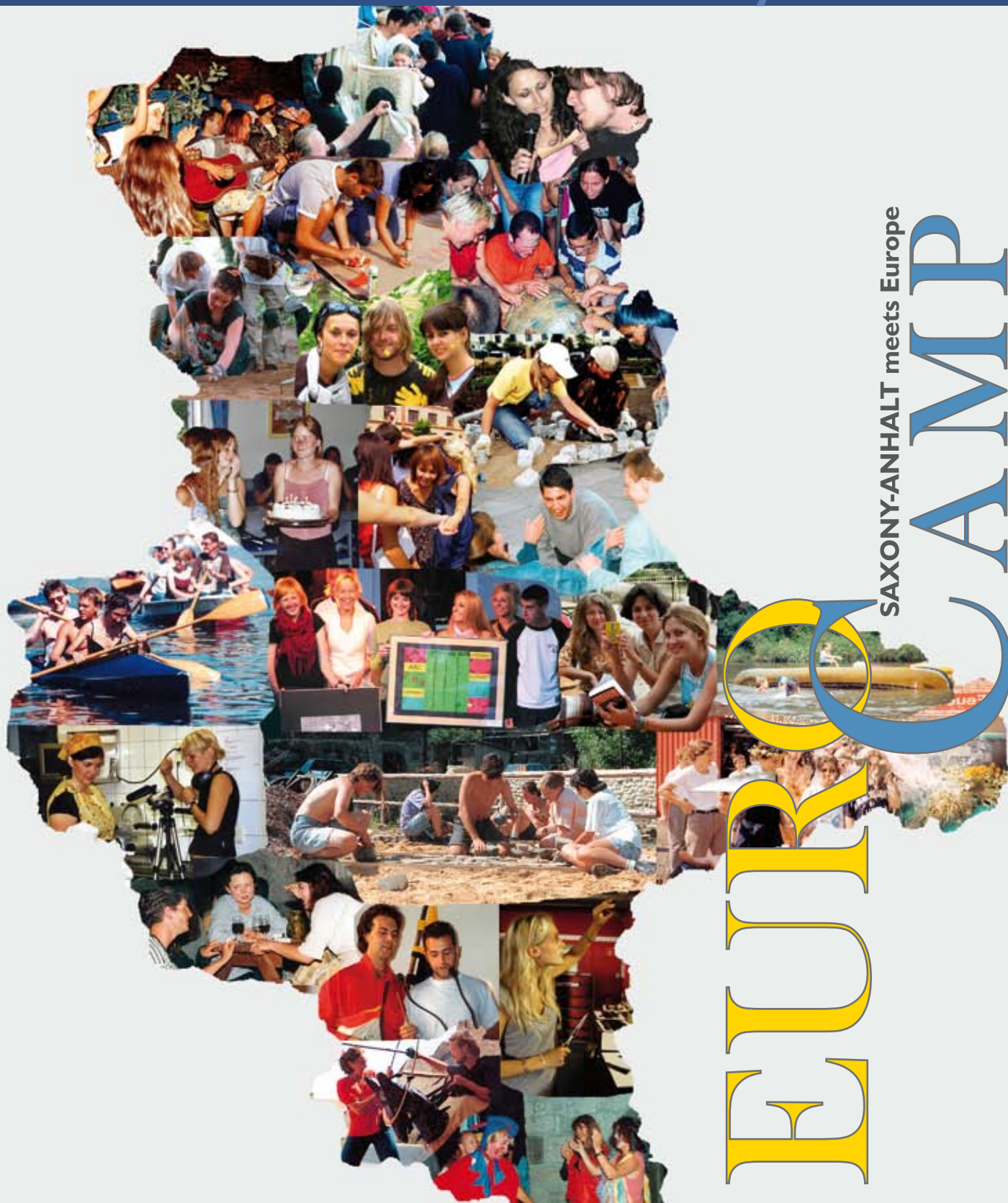
Andreas Ebert, Head official in Freyburg



Every town and village can become the location for the event. Questions and applications will be happily received.

TRACES

in Saxony-Anhalt



SAXONY-ANHALT meets Europe

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Schlaitz - Freyburg - Wettin - Hedersleben - Stendal - Frose - Mueheln
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Time of your life...

Love at first sight? Once a Eurocamper, always a Eurocamper. From Camp participants to organisers, organisers to volunteers, volunteers to youth workers, trainers or youth project initiators. The motto: sustainability!

The effects of Eurocamp experiences on the youngsters, organisers and the host Camp location. The Auslandsgesellschaft in Saxony-Anhalt, as well as the towns and communities in the area promise more Eurocamps and everlasting memories for the numerous youngsters from all regions of Europe.

For this Saxony-Anhalt sets up the requirements.

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