2014 – A REVIEW

This year we were able to send out a total of 13 Swedish volunteers to eight different countries and we created collaborations to be able to offer adolescents tens of different projects around Europe in 2015. Most of those adolescents have we met at our lectures in schools, Arbetsförmedlingen and work fairs. From January till June we received 14 international volunteers working in different organizations in Kronoberg. Seven of them were leaving around June/August but four new volunteers arrived around that time so there are a total of seven volunteers right now in Älmhult and Växjö. We are happy to welcome nine more volunteers in January/February 2015, some of those will even work in Alvesta.

Besides that, we carried out numerous activities within Kronoberg such as an international youth exchange called “Go out, be in” where young people from Armenia, Poland and Serbia met our Swedish group and where we all lived together at the Fyllerydstugan in Sandsbro during one week. Apart from the first day we were very lucky with the weather and had a week full of exiting activities, chats and discoveries. During three weeks did we carry out a summer project together with 20 young people who engaged themselves in evaluating Växjö and in writing the blog www.ungdomer.se. Joined by our volunteers, they got into the local society in order to find out where the money earned by our second hand shops goes, what is needed to be able to work at an airport or what a radio station looks like.

THANKS TO ALL ORGANIZATIONS WHO RECEIVED VOLUNTEERS IN 2014

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THIS YEAR’S ACTIVITIES WITH GRUNDTVIG

The Grundtvig Project is a program within the European Commission which finances multilateral projects. One of those projects is called “Books like acting” whose purpose is to create efficient learning tools which can be used within adult education. Countries which participate are Romania, Poland, Sweden, Spain, Italy, Turkey and France where Sweden is represented by Globala Kronoberg and Värnamo Folkhögskola. The international project collaboration is executed through different conferences which every participating country arranges. In 2014, four conferences took place in Turkey, Sweden, Poland and Spain. Next year, Italy and France will arrange the two last conferences within the project.
Within our organization there are many people who work and participate and who are involved in our working. This year we have had a record number of people who have contributed to the work we do in Globala Kronoberg! In the beginning of the year, the project leader Joana, the volunteer Tatevik and the project assistant Sara were working in Globala Kronoberg, and they were later joined by Elin and Simone, our top interns! In April left Joana for her own volunteer adventure, while Tessan returned as project leader. In May the volunteer Mike joined the team and Laurie-Anne helped out during in July and August. In fall, the volunteer Gry gave Swedish lessons to our volunteers and Geremino and David were working with research and the website. Maria helped with the marketing.

**Plans 2015**

The year starts big with 7 new volunteers. Two will be in Älmhult, two will work in Alvesta and the three remaining will make our daily lives a bit brighter here in Växjö. A little later in the spring, we will receive 6 short-term volunteers from France, Poland and Austria. They will stay for two months each, and come two at the time. Globala’s annual collaboration with the municipality will continue, we will receive 15 summer workers in June and July. Last but definitely not least, in August hopes Globala Kronoberg to be able to organize another youth exchange where we will invite young people from other countries to come to Sweden for a week long exchange.

Team Globala thanks you for your cooperation and support throughout the year. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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