

## Infopack for you!

### Centro Giovani VINTOLA

#### Dear applicant!

Thank you for your interest in our project! In this little document you can find all the information which can be useful before applying.

#### Hosting organisation: Centro Giovani VINTOLA

#### Some words about Bolzano

Bolzano-Bozen is an autonomous province situated in North Italy with having its borders to Austria and Switzerland. Together with Trento, it makes up the region of Trentino Alto Adige/Südtirol one of the five autonomous regions in Italy.

Bolzano happens to be a unique example of cohabitation with hosting Austro-Hungarian originated inhabitants as majority of its population who speak an Austro-Bavarian dialect of German, about a quarter of the province is Italian-speaking and a small minority speaks Ladin as mother tongue, while both Italian and German are the official languages of Bolzano-Bozen. As a result of sheltering a multilingual and multicultural population, Bolzano happens to be one of the most important examples of 'coexistence atmosphere' in the territory of Italy.

The province in total has more than 500.000 inhabitants and hosts the Free University of Bozen which makes it easier to find free time activities compared to the rest of the smaller Italian cities. Bolzano is also blessed with the luck of being situated among the Alps and the Dolomites which were declared as world heritage by UNESCO in 2009. The town of Bolzano is in easy commute to Trento, where InCo is :-), in about 40 minutes by train and in about 1,5 hours to Innsbruck, Austria.



#### Context of Centro Giovani VINTOLA

The youth center Vintola18 was founded in 2001 and is based in the city center of Bolzano, in particular in the neighborhood Centro-Piani-Rencio.

The youth center Vintola18 (<http://vintola18.it>) is a space where young people can meet and organize their free time. It is a meeting place where, together with the educators, the kids can play and self-manage activities in several areas: aggregation and leisure, art and culture, sport and entertainment.

It is a place where youths can grow and experiment their own interests sharing them with other peers.

It is a constant reference point during the day and a place of integration fostering active citizenship and sense of initiative.

The youth center Vintola18 has a large structure with:

1. a billiard room
2. a room for manual workshop
3. a theater
4. a gymnasium
5. a kitchen
6. a multi-purpose hall.
- 7 a room for birthday parties
8. room for the reparation of bicycle and PC

### **Proposed activities**

The volunteer will be involved in the daily activities of the youth center VINTOLA18. In particular the volunteers will take part in:

1. After-school activities at the youth center open from Monday to Friday from 16:00 to 18:30

a) **assistance in homework:** helping group of children in doing their homework

b) **recreational activities:** participate in the creation, promotion, and management of activities within the youth center such as games, sport, handicrafts, cooking, etc.

2. Organization and implementation of cultural events and special events

The volunteer will give his/her support in the organization and development of special events such as:

- > cine-forum
- > exhibitions of art
- > workshop about recycling
- > Swap Day – days of exchange and reuse
- > secondhand market (pc, clothes and so on);
- > art workshops

The volunteer will also be involved in summer activities. Depending on the year, the youth center organize a week with youth at the sea or in the mountain

**3. participate in the different workshops together with youths and less young**, raising awareness about the importance of recycling

- > Sartoria Creativa Upcycling Vintola18 – tailoring and dressmaking workshop
- > Trashware-officina pc : reparation of Personal Computer

**4. Communication and promotion activities:** updating the website, designing flyers for special events

### **Food and accommodation**

You will get **free accommodation** for the whole duration of your voluntary service. You will live in a single room with shared kitchen inside the Youth center Vintola.

You will get a food **allowance** to cover your food expenditures and eat from Monday to Friday in a **canteen**.

### **Useful links**

Here you can find the website of Centro Giovani Vintola <http://www.vintola18.it/>

Here you can find the website of InCo, the coordinating organisation: <http://www.incoweb.org/eng>

If you would like to know more about the EVS experience, check out the blog of the volunteers: <http://www.incoweb.org/eng/Volunteers-say>