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Volunteers will work in an outdoors education centre place near the river of Taleja. You will work in a group with volunteers from other countries. Your tasks will be to establish an appropriate environment for seminars and trainings. Including building campsite and picnic areas and possibly activity provisions.



Volunteers will plan and create new ideas for facilities by themselves. After creation of idea & consulting with experts in outdoor education, volunteers will work practically together to realise their ideas.



During the weekends volunteers will be offered a special cultural and historical programme about Latvia. You will have the chance to gain new knowledge and experiences, hiking, kayaking and on high ropes, while travelling around different regions of Latvia.



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Number of people we will send: 2 people

For the project:

- You should like outdoor and environmental work.
- Be interested in being close to nature and happy to live for three weeks without luxuries.
- Have no problems living & working in close proximity with a group of people from different cultures & countries.
- Have an open mind to work with different kind of people and to find out about an alternative way of life.

Accommodation & Meals

Lodging: You will share one large bedroom in a wooden cabin with other evs volunteers. All volunteers share, but the room is divided with a curtain for males & females. If you prefer it is also possible to sleep in a tent (for more privacy) or a hammock (to be closer to nature). Downstairs there is a dry toilet & although there is no shower you have a small lake for washing and a sauna.

Meals: Volunteers will take turns to prepare breakfast & evening meals in your wooden cabin. At lunch times your meal will be served to you.

Special Comments: For this project it is advisable to have a vaccination for tick-bone, a small insect which you may come across when working in the forest. We will pay for this, but you must organise it at your GP or a travel clinic.



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Climate: The Latvian climate is humid, continental and temperate owing to the maritime influence of the Baltic Sea. Summers are warm and the weather in spring and autumn fairly mild, however, the winters can be extreme due to the northern location.

System of Government: The Republic of Latvia is a parliamentary democracy with a liberal free-market economy, freedom of religion and press. She has been a member of EU since 2004

Population: 2.3 million

Capital: Riga (722 485 inhabitants)

Currency: Euro = 100cents

Languages: Latvian, Russian

Language Lessons

Hello: **Sveiki**

Goodbye: **Ata**

Please: **Lūdzu**

Thank-you: **Paldies.**

About the place

Ogre (population 26,573 in 2000 census) is a principal city of Ogre District in Central Latvia, 36 km east of the capital Riga, situated at the confluence of the Daugava and Ogre rivers.

The name of Ogre comes from the Ogre river. The Ogre village is first time mentioned in 1206, called Ogre in German. In 1861, when a railway Riga-Daugavpils was built, Riga's residents started to build summer-cottages here. In 1862 Ogre became a health resort.

City Coat of arms were granted in 1938 and show beautiful river and pinewoods of Ogre.

There is a cultural centre, an art school and a music school in Ogre. Just like most of Latvia, half of

its population is Latvian and half Russian, and it has 3 Latvian language schools, and 1 Russian language school – Jaunogres vidusskola.

