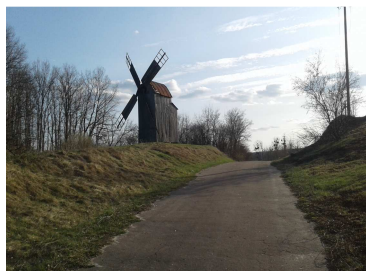




Information Sheet

Work Camp "Kholodnyi Yar UA-SVI 12.5"



Hello, dear Participant!

We're glad you made a decision to join our team.

With this letter we would like to explain what you can expect from our work camp, where it will happen and how to get there, what you should bring along to participate.

We encourage you to read the whole document, because it contains all the necessary information on your future camp!

We are confident that the camp is going to be successful, participants will have a good time, make new friends, learn new things and will create an occasion for the local community and benefit for the local partners.

We wish you a good Work Camp!

*NGO "Development center Pangeya Ultima"
and other partners*

Local organizer:	Important:
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The WC venue. Local Partner:	Dates:
Ukraine, Cherkasy region (oblast). Chyhyryn district, Medvedivka (ethnographic museum) and Melnyky (territory of the old kindergarten) villages.	26.07.2015 - 08.08.2015
	Participants number:
	15
Executives:	Camp theme:
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	Working languages:
	Ukrainian, English, Russian
Financial aspects: If you register through SCI you have to pay a specific fee to your national office of SCI. In this case you get benefits of an SCI volunteer. If you register directly with the organizers you do not have to pay the fee. In both occasions the food and accommodation is provided for you but not the travelling expenses, so you will have to get to the project venue on your own.	

1. What this Work Camp is:

The Work Camp “Kholodnyi Yar UA-SVI 12.5” is a volunteering and youth mobility project which is part of a wider “Image mapping” initiative by the “Development center Pangeya Ultima” (www.pangeya.com.ua) from Vinnytsia, Ukraine and organized in partnership with the NGO “SVIT-Ukraine” (Service Civil International Ukrainian branch, Kharkiv) and local partners from different sectors.

Main objectives of the project are to provide Participants with opportunities of non-formal education, building inter-cultural, inter-regional and international communication, revitalization of local communities and diversification of their social existence. Specific purpose of the “Image mapping” concept is a study and informational promotion of Kholodnyi Yar communities to facilitate its rural tourism attractiveness and hence the chances for sustainable development process. 5 different villages that form a circle cluster close to “Kohlodnyi Yar” natural site of abundant forests and ravines will host the actions by the volunteers. The WC will be divided onto 2 parts when first part will be located in Medvedivka village and second – in Melnyky village.

In fact, the WC is a short-term (2 weeks) event which takes place in the local community. The main objectives for this WC are: 1) To produce a touristic route composed of creative spots – installations called “Alive picture” (frames focusing the visitor on the interesting object); 2) To hold animating events in the communities (concerts, quest games for children, intercultural evenings); 3) Creation of media materials. Participants live in camping conditions with the support from local partners, performing a certain amount of voluntary work with educational and community beneficial value.

2. What you can expect from the camp:

- Mobility – the Participant should be ready to travel, sometimes, in very remote corners of Ukraine, to unknown before places.
- Acquaintances – the Participant should be ready to make a lot of new contacts, spend 14 days with unfamiliar before people. Readiness to enter a new social environment and use one’s initiative, leadership skills are in need.
- Camping lifestyle – the Participant is likely to have the previous experience of camping life. Participants live in tents, cook on the fire, use simple facilities, organize activities, work outdoors.
- Socialization with local community – integration of the Participant with local community is a natural process.
- Volunteering – the participant should be ready to perform a certain amount of voluntary work for the sake of the local partner or community. Participants should understand the aims of the working element – team cohesion (often it is simply fun to work together with people from different geographical places), learning (often participants acquire interesting and useful skills) and real benefits (products of joint work stays for the community after the camp ends).
- Non-formal learning – Participants should understand that they come to the camp to share experience and learn from each other and the Local Partner.



3. Approximate WC program:

	26/07	27/07	28/07	29/07	30/07	31/07	01/08	02/08	03/08	04/08	05/08	06/08	07/08	08/08
Evening	Getting acquainted	Intercultural evening, promo-concert (Medv)	Quest-game for children	Intercultural evening, promo-concert (Ivkiv)	Seminars on rural activism/volunteering	Trip to Subotiv (learning component)	Meeting the Melnyky community	Intercultural evening, promo-concert (Melnyk)	Quest-game for children	Intercultural evening, promo-concert (Golovk)	Seminars on green-tourism and activism	Intercultural evening, promo-concert (Buda)	Final party	Departure
Day	Arrival	Meeting the Medvedivka community	Manual and media-work	Meeting the Ivkivtsi community	Manual and media-work	Trip to Subotiv (learning component)	Moving of the WC to Melnyky	Preparation of public events	Manual and media-work	Meeting the Golovkivka community	Manual and media-work	Meeting the Buda community	Manual and media-work	Departure
Morning	Arrival	Coordination + team-building	Manual and media-work	Meeting the Ivkivtsi community	Manual and media-work	Trip to Subotiv (learning component)	Coming back from Subotiv	Meeting the Melnyky community	Manual and media-work	Meeting the Golovkivka community	Manual and media-work	Meeting the Buda community	Manual and media-work	Evaluation of the camp, exchange

4. Camp theme:

The main objective of this WC is an "Image Mapping" idea which is the utilization of cultural and youth work with the aim of underlining the beauty and originality of separate communities and territories. The "Image Mapping" idea is built on the study of the community and its heritage by participants of the project and the work-camp, who later design the venue's "map" and bring out particular places and locations of interest with the help of creative trailblazing or tourism-infrastructure methods.

The project results, recorded on video and photo, will be disseminated via electronic information networks.

5. Which Working Element is planned:

The participants will install benches, informational constructions and signs for touristic points (places of interest) around the village, defined by the local camp organizers with materials provided by the locals or by the "DC Pangeya Ultima". An artistic map of these places of interest will be painted by the participants on the bus stop of the village. The renovation of the bus stop itself will



be an additional and advantageous task for the group. The work will be done close in cooperation with the local community. The work will comprise of renovation, hand-work, decoration.

Next part is organization of animating measures in the community like promo-concerts, quest games for local children, intercultural evenings, discussion on green tourism and etc. These are aimed to promote the project

values as well as rally locals around the idea of development of their native communities.

The last part of the tasks is the creation of audiovisual products depicting the hosting venues to be spread through the specialized web-site of the wider "Image Mapping" project. This is aimed to present the communities from the specific point and get tourists interested in coming to visit the places.

6. Learning value of the camp:

The camp will be valuable for the Participants in five learning areas: 1) thematic - participants will be engaged in common work learning from it and each other; 2) familiarizing - participants will get acquainted with the camp geographical environment and with new people; 3) development - participants will get an experience of creating and developing the touristic profile of the village; 4) personal - Participants will gain experience of self-organization, life in simple, natural conditions, and acquire leadership skills; 5) The participants will enhance their proficiency in the English language as the working one.



7. What can be done during the free time:

The mid-weekend is free from any activities for the participants. It can also be filled with interesting group events, for example – the "Nature Night", hiking etc. The surrounding nature is full of interesting and beautiful places and “Khlolodnyi Yar” is referred as the cradle of national idea of Ukraine. It was a place of several very famous infightings against the oppression of Ukrainian peasants first from the side of the Polish State in XVIII century and later from the side of the Bolsheviks of the Soviet Union. The vast forests and deep ravines cache interesting spots connected to the Cossacks page of the Ukrainian history. In Ivkivtsi, for example, there is a hill believed to be the tomb of the famous hetman Bogdan Khmelnytskyi. As well the area was very famous for its mills – wind and water types. Abundant forests and beautiful slopes won't leave anyone indifferent. More about the territory here:

https://uk.wikipedia.org/wiki/%D0%A5%D0%BE%D0%BB%D0%BE%D0%B4%D0%BD%D0%B8%D0%B9_%D0%AF%D1%80

Living conditions:

The Participant is likely to have the previous experience of the camp life, as when for some it may seem like a pleasure, the other may feel a domestic shock. The campers are accommodated in tents mainly by three in one, cook over a campfire, use a compost toilet, a summer shower, conduct activities and work outdoors. The campers can expect some assistance in everyday complexities from the Local Partner.

The Participant must remember to bring a sleeping bag and an insulating mat (underlay). Tents are provided by the organizer, but if the participant reveals a will to take his own – it is always welcome. The cooking is done by turns: the special cooking team composed of two voluntary participants is appointed each day, they prepare food for others, watch for the camp and make purchases from the allocated budget. Therefore, the participants are welcome to prepare some traditional, national recipes to treat other fellow campers.



8. Personal attitude matters:

It is important for Participants to remain friendly and tolerant to events that may happen in the camp. During the WC it is possible that the situation will go not according to as it is described in this Infosheet. Since the project takes place in an informal environment, we ask the participants to be open and ready for change. In international environment the participants should also strive to maintain a free communication atmosphere.

Also appreciated: the readiness to take initiative in planning program activities and ideas for spending the free time.

9. What you should bring along:

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| • Sleeping bag | • Camping plate, spoon (fork) and cup | • Own documents |
| • Insulating mat | • Anti-mosquito cream | • Things for the Intercultural Evening |
| • Old working cloth and shoes | • Sunburn cream | • This printed Infosheet |
| • Raincoat | • Traditional cooking recipes | • Contact details of organizers and the LP |
| • Personal hygiene stuff | • Interesting group games | • Pocket money, travel money |
| • Towel | • Flash-light | • Nice mood 😊 |
| • Swimming suit | | |

10. When and how to get to the venue:

The dates of the camp are fixed! Therefore, we hope that the participants will not be late for the beginning of the camp and not leave the camp before the date of departure because it harms the camp program.

If the Participant cancels the participation in the camp or changes the stay dates he/she must inform the organizers (contacts are on the first page of this letter) as soon as possible, so they contact the executives at the camp site. In this case the participation fee in the camp is not refunded.

If you plan to take part in the camp on a partial schedule – please, communicate clearly this to the camp organizers so that the food and placement can be normally planned for your stay.

To get to the venue you can as follows:

The trip is composed of several legs. If you start from Kyiv so first you have to take the bus to Cherkasy. There are 2 types of appropriate buses. First starts from near the central railway station at 7:15 AM (<http://www.ac-kiev.in.ua/>). Next starts from the “Vydubychi” bus-station (Google: “Vydubychi Bus Station, Kiev, Kyiv city”) at 12:10 PM. These two buses will get you to Cherkasy in time normal to get the consequent bus to Medvedivka. The price ranges at near 120 UAH (which is near 4 Euro). If you miss these buses you can anyway get to Cherkasy from Kyiv from the same “Vydubychi” bus-station. Here’s the schedule: <http://bus.com.ua/cgi-bin/poshuk?fp=UA8000000000&tp=UA7110100000&Go=3> But later you will have to use the hitch-hike option to get to the “Medvedivka turn” on the road Cherkasy-Chyhyryn and later to Medvedivka itself from the turn.

In Cherkasy there are several busses going straightly to Medvedivka: <http://bus.com.ua/cgi-bin/poshuk?fp=UA7110100000&tp=UA7125483501&Go=3> The best options for you are 2 buses from the “Bus Station number 2” (3:10 PM and 4:00 PM) or 1 bus from the “Bus Station number 1” (4:30 PM). You have to buy tickets to Medvedivka and be careful not to be taken further as the bus continues on. The price is around 25 UAH which is around 1 Euro. “Bus station number 2”: 49°25'50.9"N 32°03'19.0"E; “Bus station number 3”: google – “Gogolya St, 293, Cherkasy, Cherkas'ka oblast”.

As alternative to Kyiv you can go through Smila. This is especially good if you take the trains stopping at the “Im. Tarasa Shevchenka” station (Smila). The best option is however this: Train 070Л which starts from Lviv at 00:30 AM and finishes in Smila (im.Tarasa Shevchenka) at 1:34 PM. This train on its way goes through Vinnytsia (8:00 AM), Ternopil and Khmelnytskyi – as well possible starting points of your trips. You can make order of the train on the web-site: <http://booking.uz.gov.ua/> Train cost will be around 170 UAH from Lviv which is around 5 Euro. Getting to the train you will have to demonstrate your documents, so don't hide them deep inside the luggage.

After you got to Smila you have to take the bus to Cherkasy (from near the railway station) and in 45 minutes you are there. Later scheme of how to get from Cherkasy to Medvedivka after 3:00 PM is written above. Bus cost here is below 1 Euro.

Website for bus schedules in Ukraine: <http://bus.com.ua/>

We hope you will be in time at the initial meeting of the group in Medvedivka. The presence of all the Participants on the site should be not later than 19:00 of the first program day – 26th of July 2016. Departure will take place on the afternoon of 8th of August 2016. The last bus it is desirable to use when getting out of the villages start at 5:00 PM from Melnyky.

12. Some environmental-friendly solutions for PWC members:

- Use bicycles and public transport instead of buses and planes;
- Reduce the garbage volume and separate it;
- Spare electricity;
- Make reasonable decisions in your personal purchases;
- Buy local food products instead of imported ones;
- Eat more natural food instead of that is chemically processed;
- Eat less food with additives;
- Do not overuse fresh water.