Mobility Programs in Vicenza

between

Venice and Verona



Eurocultura's profile

- international mobility agency
- training and career counselling association
- established in 1987
- publications such as 3 times-a- month magazine, a monthly newsletter, a series of guides for working abroad
- experience in international projects granted by different European Programmes in the field of vocational training, employment, youth, social affairs, women issues, migrants, etc.
- Multi-lingual staff (Italian, English, German, Spanish, French)

Vicenza

- 110.000 inhabitants
- 50 km from Verona
- 70 km from Venice
- UNESCO-World Heritage; birth place of modern architecture (Andrea Palladio)
- Worldwide known for its jewellery production





Vicenza and the Province

- 780.000 inhabitants
- 80.000 immigrants
- 70.000 companies (mainly SME's)
- mechanics, automotive,
- jewellery, furniture, textile,
- engineering, chemistry, groceries
- Exports = Greece
- Unemployment rate: about 4,0%



Traineeship program

Minimum Period: 3 weeks

(1 week language course, 2 weeks traineeship)

Maximum Period: 6 months

(2 - 4 weeks language course, then traineeship)

Before the arrival

Our information package for partners and participants include information on:

- Vicenza and life in Italy
- Traineeship's possibilities and running
- Accomodation
- Partner Eurocultura

Arrival

Airports: Venice, Verona, Treviso

Airport-Vicenza with bus/train about 2 hours

Train: international connections

Meeting place: Sunday, 19.00 at the Train Station

Welcome and distribution to host families

Accomodation

Single or double rooms with host families or single people

Shared apartments with other participants

Self-catering accomodation with kitchen use

Some apartments provided with WIFI

Distance from accommodation, school and company: max 45 min. by bus, bike or by foot

First day - Introduction

Traineeship, language course and cultural programme

Logistic information (transport, shops, banks, health, sport etc.)

Eurocultura team

Activities and tasks of Eurocultura

Language course

The duration of the language course depends on the specific programme:

- 3/4 weeks project: 20 units
- 8 weeks project: 40 units
- 12/14 weeks project: 100 units

(extra lessons upon request)

Aims of the language course

- to teach basic communication skills and vocabulary
- to implement spoken language
- to improve grammar
- to prepare for a successful interview and work experience

Cultural program

By agreement with the sending organization can be arranged:

- day trips (Venice, Verona, Padua)
- half-day guided visits
- cultural evenings with Italians

Other activities (optional)

Seminar "Living and working in Italy"

Seminar "Working abroad"

Seminar on the political and economic situation in Italy

Personal career counselling

Traineeship's companies

- application (3 weeks before the arrival)
- detailed interview with Eurocultura's supervisor to match trainees' expectations with potential companies (1 week)
- self-presentation in the company
- evaluation meeting with trainee and firm

Firms for the traineeship

Selection:

- use of professional knowledge
- company tutor's support
- positive working environment, integration of foreigners
- access by public transport

Training options

Craftsmenship Social

ICT Tourism

Mechanical Construction

Sales Architecture

Office Work Advertisement

Some of our companies (Selection)

MULTINATIONAL COMPANIES

• Marzotto (textiles), Bisazza and Trend (glass mosaic), Pietro Fiorentini S.p.a. (control valves), Hotel Palladio (Hotel)

SME's

• OMZ (steel equipments), NSB (IT), Carta (construction), Murat (restoration), Centrale del Latte (milk factory)

NGO

• AICS (self-help organization), Arciragazzi (youth association), La Piccionaia (theater), CGIL (trade union)

PUBLIC SECTOR

• Government Vicenza, AIM (public utility), Vicenza Hospital

Our Tutor

Tasks:

- Focusing on expectations of participants
- Preparation for interview
- Review of language learning progress
- Regular evaluation of working
- Assistance with integration and problem solving
- Weekly consulting hours

Certificates

- Program participation certificate
- Language course certificate
- Europass
- Company reference letter

Vetpro-Program

Topics for employees of professional development eg.:

- Labour market and demography
- Early childhood education
- Vocational training in the Veneto
- Innovative tourism and professional profiles
- Training for over 50

International Partners

Germany – HWK Potsdam, WETEK Berlin, Hess. Kultusministerium, SBH Paderborn, LGH Düsseldorf, VIMOB Pforzheim, Stadtjugendring Pforzheim

Austria – IFA (mobility agency), Wien

Spain – Confebask (Confederation of Bask Employers), jewelry school consortium Valencia

Poland – University Rzeszów

Greece – IEEK (vocational training schools), Athen

Furthermore: Partners from Norway, Portugal

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