

## DESCRIPTION OF THE VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

**Name of the Organization:** SEEDS

**Venue:** Reykjavik / Iceland

**Duration:** 6 or 9 months

**Start date:** September 2019

**Field of the volunteering:** Social Dialogue, Environment and climate change, Intercultural/intergenerational education and (lifelong)learning

### About the organization:

SEEDS is an Icelandic non-governmental, non-forprofit volunteer organisation. Our activities are related to the promotion of intercultural understanding and environment protection through practical work on nature-oriented, outdoors and environmental projects. SEEDS Activities include: - Voluntary Service and non-formal learning - International workcamps - Seminars, training courses, study sessions - Environmental education and awareness campaigns - Cultural, arts and education exhibitions SEEDS is a member of the Icelandic National Youth Council (LUF), the Icelandic Environment Association, the Senior European Volunteers Exchange Network (SEVEN) and works actively as partner organisation of the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organisations (The Alliance) and Service Civil International (SCI). SEEDS relies on a dynamic office, with two paid employees as well as three interns to support the administrative work. SEEDS offers volunteers the chance to gain new practical and artistic skills. Our projects give our long term volunteers an alternative way of gaining useful competences, for example; team-building and leadership skills, training skills, problem solving, and facilitating non-formal learning around environmental and inter-cultural dialogue.

**Links for more info:** [www.seeds.is](http://www.seeds.is)

### Volunteer profile:

We are mainly looking for candidates that are motivated to lead international groups as well as interested in or concerned about environmental issues. The participants need to be ready to show some level of flexibility, and capability to work independently as well as in a team.

All volunteers need however to be comfortable to communicate in English. For the Environmental Messengers project we look for volunteers with an active interest in conducting training on environmental issues. The project is open for people of all backgrounds and there are no specific qualifications or practical skills needed, as training will be given.

### Description of the activities and tasks:

The volunteers will be leaders of intercultural workcamps, most of them are outdoors work, such as gardening, planting trees, and maintaining hiking paths. The Environmental messengers also prepare workshops related to environmental issues for the short term volunteers/participants in the camps.

**Working hours:** Maximum 7 hours a day including lunch and coffee breaks, five days a week.



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