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About us VIPA SK:

The Rural Parliament in Slovakia (VIPA SK) was established in 1999. The aim is to support integrated development in regions by expertise, advocacy and informative-communication activities, especially in the form of dialogue conducted at national level and based on the identification of public needs. Advocacy activities include: reviewing the state legislation and strategy to meet rural needs, participation in the work of evaluation and monitoring bodies in order to comply with the law, transparency in decision-making, equal treatment and respect for rural interests, protests against decisions that do not match the interests of the countryside and defend the parties concerned. (VIPA SK) helps to improve the quality of life and supports rural initiatives and management of the rural development, educational activities, organization of events, market research, public pooling and interviews, publishing (quarterly - Our Countryside, ISSN 1339-1542). Since 2000, every two years VIPA SK has been calling the Rural Parliament Forum to formulate rural development policy and strategy for the next two years. Annually has been organized conferences “Women in the car and in the coach” as a part is the national competition “A Country Woman - a Leader”. VIPA SK has experiences with European and Visegrad projects

OZ: Lišov Múzeum:

Lišov Museum was established in 2015 and is now being run as an innovative community driven organisation. Lišov Museum has developed its research and operating model under the 4 pillars of sustainability (environmental, cultural, social and economic).

Lišov community has a complex and rich cultural history and has come under many different geopolitical, social and agricultural influences in the recent and distant past. Cultural heritage in the immediate surroundings of the museum is exceptional and includes a diversity of tufa cave dwellings, a range of traditional vernacular architecture, and it is very near the Neolithic Fossa Giganteum monument which runs throughout parts of Central Europe.

As with many rural areas of Europe, the village has experience of rural unemployment, changes to land ownership, management, and changes in the social makeup of the community.

All that we do revolves around sustainability, which means using local materials, local skills and creating local products...and linking to like-minded organisations who have other local products, which can be showcased and sold in the museum shop. Our buildings are restored using traditional methods and we draw from the wealth of local art and craft for decoration. It is important that the museum has a place in the wider community of the village and the Hont region, so we cultivate and enjoy a fruitful relationship with the mayor, local shakers and movers and bottom-up organisation such as the local LEADER group. We welcome visitors from all over Europe, who share our ethos and can swap skills and knowledge to help themselves and the museum to grow into a more sustainable rural future.

What we expect from trainee

We expect that trainee would be able start to work actively for non-governmental organisation to preserve local community habits, folk traditions, crafts art etc. Participants will be motivated to co-operate in other international project or share experiences with friends, partners from this scholarship.

Preferred languages

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