

# 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 and 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: 13,5 billion Euros in 2010
- unemployment rate: about 5,0%



# 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 includes information on:

- Vicenza and life in Italy
- general indication about traineeship
- accommodation
- language training
- Eurocultura

# Arrival

- airports: Venice, Verona, Treviso
- airport-Vicenza with bus/train about 2 hours
- train: international connections
- meeting place: Sunday, 7:00 p.m. at the train station
- welcome and allocation to host families

# Accommodation

- single or double rooms with host families or single
- shared apartments with other participants
- self-catering accomodation with kitchen use
- some apartments provided with WIFI
- fully equipped rooms
- distance from accommodation, school and company:  
about 45 min. by bus, bike or by foot

# First day - Introduction

- program's organisational structure
- logistic information (transport, shops, banks, health, sport etc.)
- Eurocultura team
- tutor activities and tasks

# Language course

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

- 3/4 weeks project: 1 week 20 units
- 8 weeks project: 2 weeks 40 units
- 12/14 weeks project: 3 weeks 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

# e-learning course

- Welcome to Italy – Willkommen in Vicenza
  - facts and figures about Italy, Veneto and Vicenza
  - culture and stereotypes
  - life in Vicenza
  - home-stay and traineeship regulation
  - duration: 20 hours
- Parlo Italiano:
  - Italian for beginners
  - duration: 20 hours

# Cultural program

By agreement with the sending organization can be arranged:

- day trips (Venice, Verona, Padua)
- half-day guided visits (Bassano, Marostica,...)
- linguistic partner

# 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

## Selection process:

- application (3 weeks before the arrival)
- detailed interview with Eurocultura's tutor to match trainees' expectations with chosen companies (1st week)
- interview in the company
- evaluation meeting with trainee and company's tutor

# Companies for the traineeship

Selection methode:

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

# Training options

Handicraft

IT

Mechanics

Sales

Office Work

Health

Social

Tourism

Construction

Architecture

Advertisement

# Some of our companies (Selection)

## MULTINATIONAL COMPANIES

- Marzotto (textiles), Bisazza and Trend (glass mosaic), Pietro Fiorentini S.p.a. (control valves), NH Hotel (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 (theatre), CGIL (trade union)

## PUBLIC SECTOR

- Municipality Vicenza, AIM (public utility), Vicenza Hospital

# Assistance

## Tasks:

- focusing on expectations of participants
- preparation for interview
- review of language learning progress
- regular evaluation of working
- support to 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 Veneto region
- innovative tourism and professional profiles
- further training for over 50

# International Partners

**Germany** – HWK Potsdam, WETEK Berlin, Hessisches Kultusministerium - Grümel, SBH Paderborn, LGH Düsseldorf, VIMOB Pforzheim, Stadtjugendring Pforzheim

**Austria** – IFA (mobility agency), Wien

**Spain** – Confebask (Confederation of Bask Employers), Jewelry school consortium Cordoba

**Poland** – University Rzeszów

**Greece** – IEEK (vocational training schools), Athen

Furthermore: Partners from Norway, Portugal, Slovenia

# Reference person

## Thank you!!!

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