



Volunteering Opportunity in Asia with the Hungarian Volunteer Sending Foundation

Country:	Tajikistan
Project title:	Preservation of cultural diversity and promotion of medicinal plants
Field of work:	Culture, Media and Information, Rural development
Project:	GLEN internship
Duration:	3 months (between July and September 2017) and participation in the GLEN Cycle
Language:	English, Russian, optional: Persian
Requirements:	Be open, sociable and eager to exchange ideas. A background in a field related to media or communication studies, sustainable business or social sciences will be an advantage.
Application deadline:	8 January 2017 (please send your application form and covering letter on application.glen@gmail.com)
Before applying:	Read the description of the Glen multipliers training cycle on the HVSF page and visit the GLEN homepage! (www.glen-europe.org)

Description of the host organization and foreseen activities

Gulu Giyoh is an organisation which was established in 1996 in the Ishkashim district, Tajikistan, with the aim of promoting traditional medicine practices, notably medicinal plants and local mineral springs. Gulu Giyoh is situated in the remote village Avjh, which has a population of 30 people. The mountainous Ishkashim region has a population of approximately 25.000 people. Regarding rapid socio-economic changes within the region, Gulu Giyoh has extended its mission to the preservation and revitalisation of the linguistic and cultural heritage of the Badakshan. Through community based cooperatives the organisation wants to promote women entrepreneurship and eco-tourism and thus strengthen the local economy. Current activities include the cultivation of medicinal plants, the development of an information centre and a small museum as well as the publication of books and the organisation of cultural festivals.

With your GLEN tandem partner, and potentially a local intern, you will support Gulu Giyoh in media and networking tasks. You will collect and edit photo and video material, update the web page and develop marketing strategies for local products, such as plant-based medicine. Assistance in finding international project partners can benefit the development of current and future programmes of the organisation. Ideally, this research regarding possible international project partners, should be finalized before your stay in Avjh, due to the limited internet connection there. Apart from these tasks, you will also join the daily collection and preparation of herbs.

The GLEN team will be formed by a Latvian and a Hungarian participant.

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