

## Volunteer's Evaluation Form for Projects Abroad.

*If you took part in an International Voluntary Project this year, we would really appreciate feedback about your experiences. Completing this questionnaire will only take 10 minutes or so and your responses will help us to monitor the quality of projects being offered by our partner organisations as part of SCI's international exchange program. **There is space to make comments under each question** but please do use extra sheets if necessary. We welcome completed questionnaires at any time but if you can fill it in straight after returning from your project, then your thoughts will be fresh in your mind. You can download a copy of this form from our website: [www.iv-gb.org.uk](http://www.iv-gb.org.uk) and email it back to: [scotland@ivs-gb.org.uk](mailto:scotland@ivs-gb.org.uk) pop a copy in the post to: **IVS GB, Thorn House, 5 Rose Street, Edinburgh. EH2 2PR**. If you would prefer give verbal feedback then do give us a ring on: 0131 243 2745 ~ we'd love to hear from you.*

***Thank you very much for your time and for volunteering with us. Keep in touch!!***

Your Name ..... Your Nationality.....  
 Address.....  
 ..... Tel Number.....  
 Email..... Mobile.....  
 Which country was your project in?..... Project Code.....  
 Project Title ..... Dates: .....

***Please circle the following responses where 5=excellent, 4=very good, 3=good, 2=ok, 1=bad***

### **Before the Project**

1) What were your main motivations for going on this project and how important were these in selecting your project?

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| a) The country     | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| b) The language    | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| c) Dates           | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| d) Travel          | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| e) Type of project | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| f) Meeting people  | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| g) Other           | 5....4....3....2....1 |

Comment:

2) Did you receive sufficient information about the project before it started? (1)Yes      (2) No

3) How useful was the Infosheet about the project?

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|---|-----------------------|
| a) Travel directions  | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| b) Information about the aims of the project and the links between the aims of the project and the ideology of SCI? | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| c) Information about the work/project?  | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| d) Information about 'what to bring'?   | 5....4....3....2....1 |
| e) Information about the study element?   | 5....4....3....2....1 |

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4) Have you any suggestions for improving the Infosheet? (1)Yes (2) No

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5) Did you have any problems getting your visa(s)? (1)Yes (2) No  
(3) Not Applicable

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6) a) Did you attend a preparation day before you went on your project? (1)Yes (2) No  
b) If yes, which event 1) London 2) Leeds 3)Edinburgh  
c) What did you think of the event 5.....4.....3.....2.....1  
d) Did you discover anything later that you think should have been covered? (1)Yes (2) No

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**The Project**

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7) Did you  
a) arrive at the project on time? (1)Yes (2) No  
b) have any transport problems? (1)Yes (2) No

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8) What did you think of the  
a) accommodation? 5.....4.....3.....2.....1  
b) food? 5.....4.....3.....2.....1

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9) What work did you do during the project?

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10) How many hours did you work on average every day? 1) 4 hours  
2) 5 hours  
3) 6 hours  
4) 7 hours  
5) 8 hours

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11) How many non-working days did you have per week? 1) 1 day  
2) 2 days  
3) 3 days  
4) 4 days

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12) Did you complete the planned work? (1)Yes (2) No

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- 13) Do you think the work was:
- a) useful? (1)Yes (2) No
  - b) well organised? (1)Yes (2) No
  - c) interesting? (1)Yes (2) No

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- 14) Do you think this project helped:
- a) The local organisation you worked for? (1)Yes (2) No  
Comment
  
  - b) The local community? (1)Yes (2) No  
Comment

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- 15) What did you think about the number of
- a) social activities on your project? (1) Too many (2) About right  
3) Too few
  - b) excursions/ cultural events? (1) Too many (2) About right  
(3) Too few

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- 16) How much contact was there with local people on your project? (1) Too much (2) About right  
(3) Too little

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- 17) a) Was there a study theme to the project? (1)Yes (2) No  
b) If yes, what was the study theme?
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- c) Did you learn something from the study sessions? (1)Yes (2) No

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18) What was the nicest / funniest experience you had on your project?

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- 19) Were there any specific problems during the project we should know about? (1)Yes (2) No

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- 20) Do you think another camp should be held at the project next year? (1)Yes (2) No

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**Group Dynamics**

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21) Did you work well together as a group? (1)Yes (2) No

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22) How were decisions made within the group? (1) by one or two people  
(2) through group discussion  
(3) other

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23) Did any conflict occur in the group during the project? (1)Yes (2) No  
If so, how was it resolved? Could it have been resolved in a better way? (1)Yes (2) No

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24) a) Did your project have a volunteer group coordinator/leader? (1)Yes (2) No  
b) If yes, how useful were they? 5.....4.....3.....2.....1  
c) Do you have any comments on his/her role? (1)Yes (2) No

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25) Were there any language problems on the project? (1)Yes (2) No  
If yes, please explain how these were overcome.

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26) Did you experience any type of discrimination on your project (e.g. sexism / racism / ageism)? (1)Yes (2) No

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**Reflection on the Project**

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27) Did you meet a representative from SCI while on the project? (1)Yes (2) No  
a) If yes, what did you learn about SCI?

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28) What have you learned from the project?

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29) Do you have any suggestions on how to improve this project in the future? (1)Yes (2) No

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30) Please list what you have gained personally from taking part in this project.

31) What did you do after the project?	(1) Travel in the country (2) Go on another project (3) Return home (4) Other		
32) a) How many IVS projects have you taken part in (including this one)	1) 1 4) 8+	2) 2 – 3	3) 4 -7
b) Would you take part in another SCI / IVS project in the future?		(1)Yes	(2) No

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### Staying Involved

33) What do you like best about IVS GB?			
34) What do you consider the most important aim of IVS to be?			
35) Do you think anything needs to be changed so that IVS fulfils its aims better?		(1)Yes	(2) No
36) Do you have any contacts for projects in Britain that you would like IVS to develop? Comment/Contact details:		(1)Yes	(2) No
37) Would you be interested in becoming an active member of IVS and supporting our activities by joining any of the following groups?			
<b>1) The Compass Group</b> (supporting our exchange programs with Eastern Europe and North/South countries)		(1)Yes	(2) No
<b>2) Regional Committees</b> (supporting the work of regional offices)		(1)Yes	(2) No
<b>3) National Activities</b> (supporting national areas of our work) ~ [please circle areas of interest]. a. Marketing / b. Membership / c. Fundraising / d. IT		(1)Yes	(2) No
<b>4) IVS Actions</b> (supporting young volunteers new to IVS projects)		(1)Yes	(2) No
<b>5) Taster Events</b> (1 day projects)		(1)Yes	(2) No
<b>6) Would you be willing to:</b>			
a) Be a contact for future volunteers doing projects in the country you have been to?		(1)Yes	(2) No
b) Be a host on next years hospitality list for international volunteers coming to projects in Britain (offering 1 – 2 nights accommodation on their way to/from projects)?		(1)Yes	(2) No
c) Help with next years Preparation Day events?		(1)Yes	(2) No
d) Revise Briefing Sheets for country visited?		(1)Yes	(2) No
e) Publicise the work of IVS in your area?		(1)Yes	(2) No

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**7) GB Projects Committee** (helping to find new groups to host international projects in Britain for next year). (1)Yes (2) No

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**8) Autumn Social Events** (if you return your form by 31/8 we will let you know of any dates for autumn gatherings). (1)Yes (2) No

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***If you are 25 or under, please answer the following questions as well. Our funders ask these questions as part of our Self Assessment procedures. Many Thanks!***

(SA/1) How did you feel about the travelling you did, did it give you more confidence?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/2) Did you gain any new knowledge while on the project?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/3) Have you put into practise what you have learned?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/4) During the project did you actively take part in decision making?  
If yes please explain how (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/5) Could you apply this to the communities you were working with?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/6) Do you feel you are more tolerant and sensitive to rights and feelings of others?  
Comment: (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/7) Did you establish good relationships with each other?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/8) Did you handle any conflict with maturity?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

SA/9) Are you more aware of yourself / others working as a group / in a different environment / or with different communities?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/10) Do you have more confidence and self-esteem after participating in the project?  
If yes, how are you more confident? (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/11) Do you feel you are now willing to take on responsibility and work with your peers and others collaboratively?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/12) Do you feel more motivated through your time on the project?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No

(SA/13) Did you achieve anything by participating in the project?  
Comment (1)Yes (2) No