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Age: 18+

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Project: Several organizations of the German peace movement are currently running a campaign to ban the last nuclear weapons which are stationed in Germany. In the eighties huge protests out of the civil society has been successful and most of the intermediate-range missile, called Pershing II, has been disarmed in Germany. But the treaty was just this February canceled by the US and Russia. In our world there are still more than 14.000 nuclear weapons remaining! The peace-workshop "Friedenswerkstatt Mutlangen" invites international volunteers from East and West to study peace and support activities against nuclear weapons.

The workcamp will start in Mutlangen, a former location of nuclear missiles, 40 km east of Stuttgart. There the blockades against the missiles have been successful. In the second part we move on to the military air-base Buechel on



the Eifel hills, where still nuclear weapons are stationed. Participants will get to know and discuss history and actual questions of nuclear disarmament, trust-building and non violence.

All volunteers are invited to stay in the resistance camp until 16th of July. If you are interested please contact camp leader.

The campaign: Twenty nuclear bombs are still kept in the airbase Buechel. They belong to the US Army and in case of war, they would be flown by German pilots on the command of the president of the USA. Instead of abolished, as the international law demands, these weapons are going to be upgraded. The campaign "Buechel is everywhere - Global Zero Now" demands the stop of the so called modernization of the bombs, the removal from Germany and a legal ban of all nuclear weapons. The campaign is part of ICAN, (International Campaign to abolish Nuclear Weapons), which got the Nobel Peace Prize few years ago.



Work: Volunteers are invited to join our campaigns and activities for promoting peace during the time of the workcamp. You will help us through your participation and through some manual and artistic work: In Mutlangen we will have promoting actions for a peaceful world in the "Rems garden show". We will have a peace bicycle ride 40 km along the river Rems. And together we will design and create an artistic installation for the so called "peace meadow" in Buechel and support the campaign against the remaining nuclear weapons. We believe that campaigns for nuclear disarmament and nonviolence conflict resolution are messages worth to be spread in the media. We invite you to learn from best examples in peace building and to help us to share these examples in social media as messages of peace. If possible you can translate them into your



language. Such skills are particularly welcome!

Study part: Volunteers will receive information about nuclear weapons, ongoing nuclear armament programs and efforts of disarmament and reconciliation. We will share experiences about different forms of action for peace. As there will be

contacts to German native speakers, workcamp is good possibility to improve your German language skills.

Leisure time: Volunteers can visit attractions in the "Swabian Jura" and the "Eifel".

Accommodation: We sleep in tents. In Mutlangen in the garden of the "Pressehütte". In Büchel in a peace camp on a field beside the military airfield. You will need to bring sleeping pad and sleeping bag. Vegetarian food will be prepared together.

Participation fee: We ask for a contribution of 50.- Euro for the travel costs during the workcamp.

Please note: Official end of the workcamp will be in Buechel, not in Mutlangen. Next train station in Buechel is Cochem, from there you can go with train to Frankfurt, Stuttgart or Cologne (via Koblenz). Another option is to use airport Frankfurt Hahn, which is much nearer, you can reach it by bus.

Additional remarks: You will need sleeping bag and isolation sheet. Food will be vegetarian. The workcamp starts and ends in Mutlangen. A motivation letter is needed. Please let us know about your studies, work interests and concerns. Do not forget to bring a warm sweater and clothes, nights can be rather cold.

Terminal: Arrival Train station Schwäbisch Gmünd, about 40 kilometers in east of Stuttgart. **Next airport:** Stuttgart.

Departure Next train station in Buechel is Cochem.