



Semper Avanti
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ACTIVATE THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT



INFOPACK FOR PARTICIPANTS

OPOLE, POLAND

ABOUT OPOLE



Opole is a city located in southern Poland on the Oder River. With a population of approximately 128,035, it is the capital of Opolskie Voivodeship (province) and the seat of Opole County. With its long history dating back to the 8th century, Opole is one of the oldest cities in Poland. It is also the smallest city in Poland to be the largest city in its province. During the Medieval Period and the Renaissance, the city was known as a center of commerce due to its position at the intersection of several main trade routes, which helped generate steady profits from transit trade. The city's extensive heritage entails almost all cultures of Central Europe including years of Polish, Bohemian, Prussian and German rule. Opole formally became part of Poland again in 1945 under the Potsdam Agreement. Today there are four higher education establishments in the city: The Opole University, Opole University of Technology, a Medical College, and the private Higher College of Management and Administration.

Opole is sometimes referred to as "Polish Venice", because of its picturesque Old Town and several canals and bridges connecting parts of the city. The National Festival of Polish Song has been held here annually since 1963 and each year new regular events, fairs, shows, and competitions take place. There are lots of attractions like the Zoological Garden, the Polish Song Museum, the Modern Art Gallery, events, and festivals. You can check it here: <https://www.opole.pl/en/dla-turysty>. The Opole Voivodeship is a green region with three large lakes: Turawskie, Nyskie, and Otmuchów. The Opawskie Mountains are extremely popular. The region also includes the castle in Brzeg, the Franciscan monastery on top of Saint Anne Mountain, as well as the medieval defense fortifications in Paczków. Opole is in between Wrocław (95km) and Katowice (105km). It is also close to the capital of the Czech Republic and Germany, just 300km far from Prague and 425km from Berlin.





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ABOUT SEMPER AVANTI OPOLE

Organization founded by the Semper Avanti Association, a Wrocław-based NGO established in 2001. We are characterized by experience in the implementation of various projects for the benefit of young people. We operate mainly in three areas:

1. Youth in the labor market.
2. Supporting the development of civil society and youth participation.
3. Broadly understood tolerance and building intercultural dialogue. Our team consists of active people, willing to take actions for the benefit of others, interested in working with young people, supporting and developing social involvement, involved in developing sensitivity and awareness of cultural differences in communities.

We host foreign volunteers as part of the European Solidarity Corps. We are the only point in the Opolskie Voivodeship, belonging to the network of Eurodesk information points. Get involved with us, change the city and region! We invite you to take part in events organized by us, public events or meetings with foreign volunteers as part of ESC.

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THE AIM OF THE PROJECT

AIMS

- Realization and strengthening of awareness of human rights, citizens, and the European community,
- Promoting and making community-building and European identity a reality,
- Education in the field of multiculturalism and respect for fundamental values such as acceptance, and local responsibility among the young people from the Opolskie Voivodeship, and citizens from the program countries.



TASKS

The project involves hosting four volunteers and jointly implementing several activities for local activity, civic education, promotion of multiculturalism and understanding and acceptance of individual cultures,

In the volunteering program, participants will plan, prepare and carry out workshops aimed directly at school youth and students, as part of educational programs implemented by the Foundation. Indirectly, their initiatives will also shape the intergenerational local community.



HOW TO GET TO OPOLE



There are few airports close to Opole. The closest one is in Wrocław but you can also optate for the one in Krakow (Kraków Balice). Once you land in one of these airport, you can get to Opole either by train (every 30 minutes) or by bus (flixbus). If you land in Wrocław you need to take a shuttle bus in order to get to the bus/train station. From Krakow you can take a flixbus straight from the airport. The prices depends on the city you land in.

ACCOMODATION



You will be accommodated in an apartment house in Opole. The house will have kitchen/living room, double bedrooms and bathroom. You will share your bedroom with another volunteer. Sheets, blankets and pillow are provided but you have to bring your towels. There is Wi-Fi connection in the house and several supermarket close by.

FOOD AND POCKET MONEY, INSURANCE AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT



For applying to this project you need to be a citizen of an European Union Country, between 18 and 30 years old.

You will receive a monthly allowance for a total amount of about PLN 1,000 (food + pocket money).

Beyond your national health insurance (which give you access to the Polish national health insurance, as country member of European Union) you will have a supplementary insurance (CIGNA). Your travel expences will be totally reimbursed (up to 360,00 EUR).

CONTACT

APPLYING:

To apply please send Your CV
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