

WE ARE HAPPY TO ADVISE YOU!

It is a central task of the African-German Youth Initiative to provide information about the various opportunities and offers available for youth exchanges and volunteering and give interested parties bespoke advice. The advisory and networking office for development activities of Engagement Global supports us to fulfil this mission. Please get in touch with us at

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH EXCHANGES AND VOLUNTEER SERVICES OFFERED BY ENGAGEMENT GLOBAL

weltwärts – Development volunteer service

The volunteer service weltwärts was initiated by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development in 2008. Weltwärts is a development learning and volunteer service for young people between the ages of 18 and 28 who wish to take part in a project in Germany or a country in the Global South for six to 24 months.

www.weltwaerts.de/en

weltwärts – Extracurricular exchange projects in the context of Agenda 2030

The “extracurricular exchange projects in the context of Agenda 2030” funding line is an offer for development-related youth-group exchanges. The programme supports groups of young people aged between 18 and 30 years from Germany and the Global South – especially from African countries – to jointly implement a project related to one of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). The funding for projects includes up to 75 per cent of the project costs.

<https://begegnungen.weltwaerts.de/en/home.html>

School Exchange Programme for Development Education (ENSA)

ENSA is the development policy school exchange programme run by Engagement Global. ENSA supports schools in the preparation and follow-up of international exchanges and assists in networking. ENSA also provides financial assistance for school partnerships by subsidising parts of the flight and ac-

commodation expenses incurred by school exchanges between Germany and countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and south-east Europe.

www.ensa.engagement-global.de

ASA Programme

The ASA programme is a development education programme targeted at university graduates and young professionals from Germany and the Global South. ASA supports international learning communities of young people who want to explore their scope of action in a networked world and who are committed to sustainable development. Every year, the ASA programme awards around 280 scholarships to young people between the ages of 21 and 35, for further training project stays in Germany and abroad.

<https://www.engagement-global.de/mediathek-dokumente.html>

Autumn School

The Autumn School for Sustainable Entrepreneurship supports social entrepreneurs during three months of coaching and a one week conference. Joint exchanges and networking with experts from the industry are an integral part of the experience. Young people aged up to 35 years from African countries and Germany are eligible to participate.

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CHAT between the WORLDS

CHAT between the WORLDS supports children and young people in Germany to exchange their ideas with school classes or individuals in African, Asian and Latin American countries by using digital media. The virtual encounters are accompanied by qualified educators. In this way, CHAT between the WORLDS overcomes geographical distances and allows joint learning. During the CHAT, global questions of everyday life are addressed, perspectives exchanged and an awareness of one's own responsibility in a globalised world is awakened. The offer is aimed at classes of all school types from the 5th grade onwards.

<https://chat.engagement-global.de/english.html>

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The African-German Youth Initiative (AGYI) is a political initiative on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development in cooperation with the African Union Commission (AUC). AGYI has set itself the goal of strengthening exchange between young people from African countries and Germany. The focus is always on partnership, reciprocity, the willingness to learn and mutual respect. In this context, it is necessary to show willingness for an open debate on historic continuity, the present political and social realities of life in the respective countries and for an exchange about existing stereotypes and prejudices. During the preparation and follow-up of youth exchanges in the framework of AGYI, the participants reflect and realign their expectations and experiences. In this way, the youth exchange offers young people the possibility to develop a differentiated image and perception both of themselves and of their host and home country. The AGYI makes content-related resources available and provides individual advice.

THE AFRICAN-GERMAN YOUTH INITIATIVE (AGYI)

The AGYI is coordinated in Germany by Engagement Global gGmbH - Service für Entwicklungsinitiativen (Global Civic Engagement - Service for Development Initiatives). Engagement Global is in contact with numerous stakeholders in Germany who carry out youth exchange and volunteer services programmes and projects with African countries. Benin, South Africa and Tanzania were selected as pilot countries for the development of the initiative. The AGYI has been active in these countries since 2016, collaborating with the civil organisations Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA) in South Africa and the Tanzania Youth Coalition (TYC) in Tanzania. Since the end of 2018, the AGYI has been cooperating in Benin with the Réseau AGYI Bénin, a network of 25 organisations. The German Society for International Cooperation GIZ GmbH (Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit) supports these three partners in the development of structures as well as in the organisational development and implementation.

 www.youthinitiative.info

RÉSEAU AGYI BÉNIN

25 civil society organisations which are active in the area of volunteering and youth exchanges have formed a network in Benin. The primary goals of the network are the joint representation of interests, the development of instruments to improve youth exchanges and the promotion of exchange and knowledge transfer between the member organisations.

WESSA: PEOPLE CARING FOR THE EARTH

WESSA implements programmes and learning formats, among others, for young people in the areas of environment, ecotourism, education and youth development throughout South Africa and activates a wide range of local environmental initiatives through its member network.


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TANZANIAN YOUTH COALITION (TYC)

The Tanzanian Youth Coalition (TYC) is an umbrella organization of 120 civil society organizations and youth led groups. TYC works to ensure that the voices of young people are heard at local, national and international level including relevant media platforms. TYC has been active in accompanying youth exchanges with partners from Germany and connects, trains, mentors, and conducts seminars that include also follow up seminars for young people as well as partner sending and host organisations.

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GERMAN SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (GIZ) GMBH

As a service provider, the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ) supports the German Federal Government in achieving its goals in international cooperation. Since 2016, the GIZ has been commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development with the technical implementation of the AGYI in the pilot countries of Benin, Tanzania and South Africa in order to strengthen the AGYI structure on the African continent.

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