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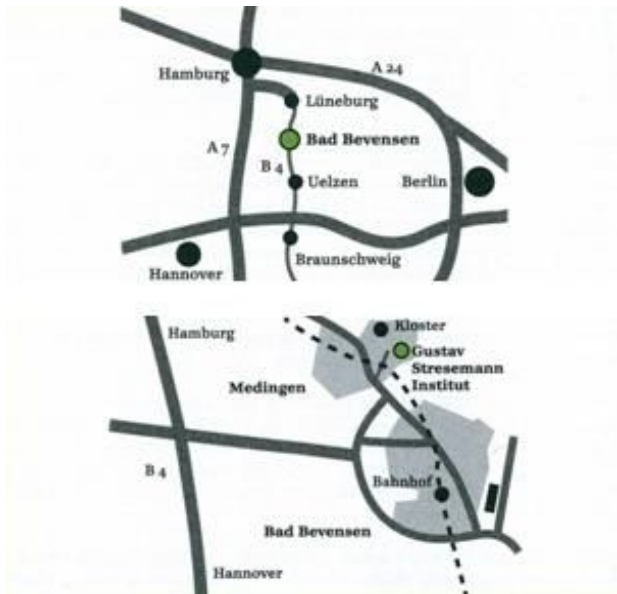
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▪ Application deadline: 30th June, 2018

▪ Travel directions:

Bad Bevensen is located on B4 between Lüneburg and Uelzen and a train stop on the route Hannover-Hamburg. Closest airports are Hamburg and Berlin.

Our seminar center is located in Medingen (a district of Bad Bevensen) directly neighboring the monastery on the banks of the Ilmenau River. Walking distance from train station: 20 minutes. You can order a taxi on (05821) 3012 or 1010.



▪ Cooperation partners and sponsors

- **Germany: Gustav Stresemann Institute, Bad Bevensen** is an independent center for democracy and tolerance education. Dialogue and diversity are major tasks of its training programs. Located in Northern Germany – Berlin and Hamburg within reach – GSI cooperates with local, national and international networks.
- **Poland: Social and Education Innovations Lab “What for” in Warsaw** promotes social justice, responsible participation, active citizenship, inclusion, equal opportunities and inclusive growth through meaningful innovation. It organizes and develops various training and educational activities addressed to trainers, youth and adults, organizations.
- **Lithuania: the Vilnius University Students Representation (VUSA)** has a general focus on students’ activities and representation. This includes international exchange programs with EU member states, Baltic States, and Scandinavia.
- **Northern Ireland: Corrymeela Centre in Bally-castle** is committed to reconciliation in Ireland and throughout the world. It supports talks between and among Protestant and Catholic groups and conducts international exchange projects.



TO TELL THE TRUTH.



- The story of democracy and diversity in times of radicalisation.
- Seminar for youth workers & students
 - from Germany, Northern Ireland,
 - Poland & Lithuania
 - Bad Bevensen and Berlin
- 1st – 12th August, 2018

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▪ The Idea

Who tells the truth in times of post-truth politics? Which is the true story of our past? What is the story of democracy in our countries? Which different stories shape societies in times of immigration and diversity? What is the story of our lives as (future) active citizens? With this project we will make stories happen; we will not just share them. We will use them to understand each other, to compare our narratives, to learn about the different paths to democracy in our countries, to understand the concept of diversity & to design our future projects as activists of civil society.

1. The truth about the past: How did we become the people who we are? We will look at the historic narratives describing our (national) identity and our paths to democracy.

2. The truth about democracy: How do we decide, which policy will do? Is democracy always the rule of the majority? Who feels represented and who feels left behind? (simulation game & talks with political decision makers).

3. The truth about diversity: How do we perceive what keeps societies together? Do we have homogenous and diverse societies in Europe? Are we part of the "Christian occident"? This part is on facing diversity and handling it.

4. The truth about development: How do we design, what we will do? Here we will write the story of our future. eu2018_flyer_de882 LIT bw.docx

▪ Topics of the seminar program

Part I: Program in Bad Bevensen

- Stories we were told. Inside & outside views on our countries (first approach on intercultural learning with a specific focus on fears and prejudices)
- The true stories about our lives. Family biographies and the context of historic events
- Uncomfortable truths about democracy: Reports from the dark chapters of our societies
- The truth about diversity: field visits to NGOs dealing with current conflicts & integration
- Identity and radicalization: Democratic values and the prevention of political and religious radicalism

- The story about migration. Immigrants and migrants share their experiences (talk with time witnesses; events of world politics; statue theatre)
- Generation mix: Super-diversity in the era of immigration. (simulation game: participants create the society of the future)

Part II: Program in Berlin

- Diversity without majority. The new concept of immigration and anti-alarmist approaches (down-to-earth projects in Berlin-Neukölln)
- The truth about society: Politicians share their vision on a multicultural society. (Talk with a representative of the German government)
- The truth about responsibility: participants develop project modules for follow-up activities



▪ Project Design & Technical Details

- **costs:** 50,- € including full board in Bad Bevensen and half board in Berlin; program costs, transfer to Berlin and excursions
- **travel expense refund:** up to a maximum of 180,- € actual travel costs.
- **Target group:** youth workers and students from Germany, Poland, Lithuania & Northern Ireland
- **Arrival and departure:** You arrive to Bad Bevensen and depart from Berlin
- **Date of the seminar:** 1st – 12th August, 2018
- **Seminar language:** English

- **Accommodation:** double rooms in Bad Bevensen, triple rooms in Berlin
- **Participation certificates:** will be provided in English with details on program and sponsors

▪ Application form

Send your application to Anna Huminiak:

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Application deadline: 14th July, 2018

I hereby sign up for the Seminar

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▪ **1st – 12th August, 2018**

Last Name:

Fist Name:

Date of Birth:

Address:

Country:

Phone:

Email:

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very good good sufficient rather low

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