

AGE: 18-21

PROJECT: The local partner is an association aiming to revitalize derelict land, wasteland and gaps between existing buildings or to refurbish older properties in Leipzig. All these projects are realised with local volunteers and for the benefit of the citizens of Leipzig and the environment. One huge project is the “Buergerbahnhof Plagwitz”. The area of this former train station and the former rail tracks is not in use any more. Nature already started to come back. The idea is to transform this area into a public green area including a huge adventure playground, an urban forest, a café, urban gardening places, an orchard, and huts for kids and youth initiatives. The playground “Bauspielplatz Wilder Westen” is already working.

WORK: You will support the local team by this transformation work. The concrete tasks will depend on the progress of the work during the next months; for sure there will be different kinds of construction and environmental work.

On three days you will run activities together with local pupils aged 14-16. So please be also prepared for this exchange and to present your country.

ACCOMMODATION: Basic accommodation in a youth club (to be confirmed).

LOCATION: Even although the place looks rural, you will be in the city of Leipzig and you have many opportunities. Leipzig has 560.000 inhabitants and was the centre of the peaceful revolution in Eastern Germany in 1989. Today it is called the “boomtown of the East”, university and industry are growing, many artists live here and you can find plenty of clubs, social initiatives.... At the same time Leipzig is surrounded by small lakes where you can swim.

NEXT AIRPORT: Leipzig (LEJ), Berlin

NEXT TRAIN STATION: Leipzig



Adventure playground: Bau-Spielplatz Wilder Westen



Concept:

Buergerbahnhof Plagwitz

Ortsplan Zug Bahnhof Plagwitz / nördlich der Antonienstraße / Plagwitzlage. Ausschnitt aus dem Städtebaulichen Konzept Büro Machleidt GmbH Berlin