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## INTERCULTURAL YOUTH EXCHANGE IN THE SWISS MOUNTAINS with young adults from Ireland, Israel, Palestine and Switzerland

## "Building walls – breaking walls"

20<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017 Obergrenchenberg (Canton of Solothurn / CH)



## Youth echange on the Obergrenchenberg mountain: Natur experience, personal development, intercultural encounter and building dry stone walls

During one week, young adults from four countries, different cultures and religions will encounter for a nature experience in the Swiss mountains. With professional trainers they will explore themselves and people from other cultures. From professional stonewall builders from Switzerland they will learn how to build a traditional dry stonewall which will be used in traditional agriculture in the Swiss mountains.

Walls are separating people and cultures in conflict countries – we are building walls for cultural heritage and environmental protection.

Content of the youth exchange:

- You will live during one week together with 15 young people (18+) from Switzerland, Ireland, Israel and Palestine in a basic moutain cabin in the middle of the nature (tenting possible)
- A You will work, share and reflect on the topic of *walls and borders between cultures*
- ▲ You will learn the handcraft of dry stonewalls building
- You will experience the daylife and background of young people from other cultures (Jews, Christians and Muslims)
- ▲ You will experience moments of silence and reflection in the nature

## Partner organisations: Verein Naturkultur (Switzerland), YadbYad (Palestine), Kibbutz Lotan (Israel) Mahon Project Limited (Ireland) Intersted to participate? Apply here: <u>http://goo.gl/forms/g2KwLSAnjv</u>