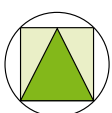




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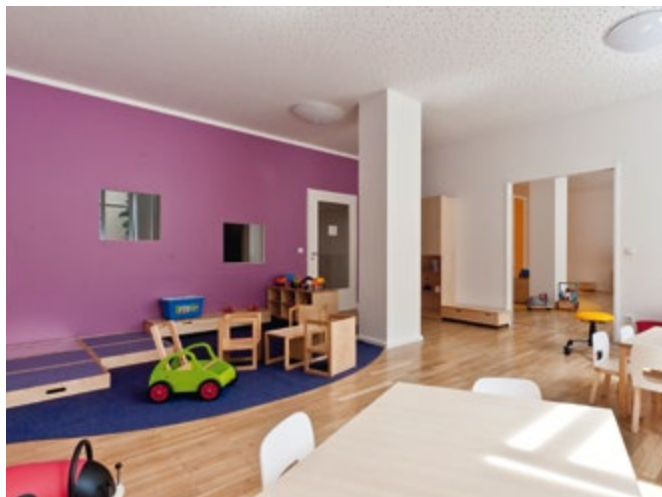
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Visit Berlin – the German capital of early childhood education

Berlin is not just the German capital that never stops innovating: it is also a city that stands for early childhood education. It is the place to be for anyone and everyone who is involved or interested in institutional childcare. The Berlin settling-in model is now famous all over the world and a number of key players in early childhood education are based in Berlin, working hand in hand to shape the field: the Alice Salomon Hochschule Berlin, PädQUIS gGmbH, the BIFF, the BEKI, and the Little Scientists House Foundation are just a handful of many. Moreover, Berlin is the first federal state in Germany to make regular external evaluations of childcare centres mandatory. Overall, there is a push to constantly develop and improve the quality of early childhood education. Come visit the German capital of early childhood education.



FRÖBEL-Kindergarten Die kleinen Piraten

Introduction

FRÖBEL hosts one- to three-day early childhood education (ECE) study trips in Berlin. The stimulating and varied programme includes lectures, meetings and panel discussions with experts as well as on-site visits to childcare facilities, ECE projects and professional training institutions.

Education is about bringing something out of a person, not pushing something in.

Friedrich Fröbel

Berlin, the metropolis on the river Spree, is an important location for early childhood education in Europe and home to a wide variety of different concepts and forms of institutional childcare.



FRÖBEL-Kindergarten Straßburger Straße

Objective

Institutional childcare in Germany

Participants will get an overview of institutional childcare, and gain insights into the organisation, legal framework and funding of childcare in Germany.

Pedagogical foundations of ECE in Germany

Participants will learn about the academic education of early childhood teachers as well as the concepts, values and quality standards that shape childcare work in Germany.

Professional training and experience

Participants will get an overview of the professional training and university programmes for aspiring educators as well as the job requirements for educators in Germany.

Kindergarten education and concepts

We showcase selected pedagogical approaches and concepts. Participants may choose to focus on one or more of the following subjects:

- Quality improvement processes
- Design and architecture
(environment as the third teacher)
- Science education
- Language and bilingual education
- Nature education

Professional exchange

Our study trips are designed to facilitate a professional exchange for all participants. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss their own ideas and professional experiences regarding the selected topic.

Target audience

Our study trips are designed for representatives of ECE organisations and educational institutions in Germany as well as early childhood professionals interested in international or intercultural issues.



Team Office for International Affairs,
Theresia Wollnitz, Georg Preller, Christine Schneyer

Dates & Prices

Upon request

Registration

Please send your group trips requests to:
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FRÖBEL-Kindergarten Am Ring

Programme and organisation

We give participants the chance to design their own programme. Participants choose a subject or subjects that will serve as a window into the institutional education and care of children in Germany. Based on the participants' requests, programmes can be between one and three days long.

Module 1 (Duration: 1 day)

An introduction to ECE institutions

- Basic conditions of childcare in Germany
- On-site visit to one or two kindergartens in Berlin
- Basic concepts of pedagogy

Module 2 (Duration: 1 day)

Professional and thematic focuses of pedagogical work. Participants may select one of the following topics:

- (A) Science education
- (B) Design and architecture
- (C) Bilingual education
- (D) Nature education in urban environments

Program of this day may include:

- Introduction to the selected topic in relation to pedagogical work with children
- On-site visit to one or two kindergartens, focusing on the selected topic
- Field trip to an ECE project or service, focusing on the selected topic

Module 3 (Duration: 1 day)

Introduction to the education and professional life of early childhood teachers in Germany

- Professional training for early childhood teachers in Germany – an introduction
- Professional training in action – field trip to a college for social pedagogy
- ECE courses of study – field trip to a university

Professional exchange with the Little Scientists House Foundation ("Haus der kleinen Forscher") on implementing science education in Germany

OR

Professional exchange with PädQUIS gGmbH on quality improvements and external evaluations of childcare facilities

Participants can make their individual trip requests by selecting one or more of these modules.



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We want you to get the most out of your study trip in Berlin. Please answer the following questions so we can put together the best possible programme for you.

Questions about the trip:

How many people will be joining the study trip?

Who will be participating in the study trip (e.g., early childhood teachers, pedagogy students, representatives from childcare organisations)?

What period of time are you planning on coming to Berlin?

How long will you be staying in Berlin?

1 day

2 days

3 days

Which programme topics are you interested in?

Hands-on visits to kindergartens

Trips to visit early childhood projects and training facilities

Talks by experts

Meetings and panel discussions with experts

What topics or concepts do you want to learn more about?

Quality improvement process

Design and architecture (environment as the third teacher)

Science education

Language and bilingual education

Nature education

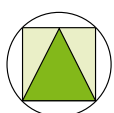
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Organisational information:

Who is the organisational contact for your group trip? (Name, Address, Phone, Email)

Place/Date

Signature



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