Join the IVS for Climate Justice Campaign!

Organise a Climate Justice Workcamp and/or
Join the Action Day on August 8!

What is the IVS for Climate Justice Campaign?

IVS for Climate Justice is a worldwide programme, taking place in over 100 countries, coordinated by CCIVS, bringing together the activities of five International Voluntary Service networks, CCIVS, Service Civil International (SCI), The International Building Organisation (IBO), Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organisations and Network for Voluntary Development Asia (NVDA). It engages volunteers with local communities to work on grassroots projects that combine manual work and awareness raising actions. These address issues such as climate change, carbon offset, environmental sustainability, protection of ecosystems, water and soil management and conservation. Each year a new campaign is developed to promote the work of the IVS movement in this field.

With over 1,091 (25%) of IVS short-term projects focusing on environmental themes, and the issue being one of the most important to the continuation of life on earth as we know it today, we seek to promote and raise awareness about the thousands of projects taking place around the world and the volunteers working for this.

* Read more about IVS for Climate Justice here

* Read more about the CCIVS position on Climate Change here
What can I do in the Campaign?

An effective manner for the IVS movement to raise awareness about our work is to showcase our good practices. We invite you to join the following 1. and/or 2.

1. Global Common Action Day for Climate Justice - August 8

- Who can join?
  A) Any IVS projects all over the world (workcamps, LMTV projects) on any theme (not necessary environmental), that take place over August 8th
  B) National workcamps, Schools, Events and Seminars where IVS NGOs are involved.

- Why August 8?
  August 8th 2019, is the day with most workcamps and it also corresponds to the approximate Earth Overshoot Day

- What should I do?
  A practical action to reduce carbon emission and contribute to climate justice. Here you have a list of actions you could implement:
  (you can also come up with your own even during the project with volunteers and local people)
  
  - Guerilla Gardening day,
  - Beach Clean up/ Rubbish Clean up - Waste reduction day,
  - Soil protection day,
  - A day without using disposable goods*,
  - Food Sovereignty day,
  - Global/local food day (calculate food mileage; use only local ingredients for a day*),
  - Let’s reduce 100kg of emission (actions can be chosen by each project),
  - Veggie day,
  - Electricity-free day,
  - DIY day (make your own soap, washing powder, eco sponge …),
  - Environmental footprint day (calculate your footprint and find ways to reduce it),
  - Upcycling day (use old to make new).

* Please keep in mind that all of our projects should aim to cut out all single use plastics, ideally food should come from neighbouring gardens (sourced locally), if not then you should take into account food miles, and above all the produce should be in season. We should aim to actively promote what we are trying to share with participants in our projects. Read the CCIVS sustainability policy here

Common Message and Hashtags

In order to promote the actions we will use the common hashtags:

#IVS4ClimateJustice #climatechange

and the following message:

‘The International Voluntary Service movement commits to work together and defend our planet and its inhabitants by thinking globally and acting locally for climate justice’

The IVS for Climate Justice webpage holds a map showing the actions and projects which have joined so far. We will update this when we receive your pictures and brief reports.
2. Climate Justice Workcamps

- **Who can join?**
  Any workcamps all over the world (no matter short or long, international or national) working on environment/ climate justice issues.

- **When can I organise a camp?**
  The workcamps should start on/ after 2019 June 1st and end on/ before 2019 September 30th.

- **What should I do?**
  The following A) and B) are compulsory for all the registered projects while C) and D) are optional.
  
  A) Have a workshop on climate justice (preferably with local people) to learn about the issue and to discuss what can be done.
  B) Take a 1-3 minutes video to present the background / activities / impact of the work related to climate justice and actions to reduce the carbon emissions in the workcamp life.
  C) Join the Global Common Action Day on August 8 (if the workcamp is run at this time)
  D) Measure CO2 emissions by the travel of the volunteers and workcamp life.

  * All the videos should be posted on a special website, information will be shared soon, voting will take place during October. The champion of each continent will be invited to the final contest organized by NICE in Tokyo, Japan on the 14th December of 2019 with some travel reimbursement.
  * This action is also called as SCC (Stop Climate Change) Special Workcamps in NVDA.

**How to sign up to the Campaign?**

For both 1. Global Common Action Day and 2. Climate Justice Workcamp,

Sign up here: [https://form.jotformeu.com/80722648695367](https://form.jotformeu.com/80722648695367)

**Deadline 1 June** - please try to fill in ASAP, so that we may promote the workcamps.

* A Guidance and a Toolkit is being developed by 4 networks (CCIVS, NVDA, ALLIANCE and SCI) together and sent to the registered organisations by May 10th. The communication platform of all registered organisations will be also created and shared by this date.

* A map showing all of the actions is promoted [here](#).

**We also propose you to include your workcamp on this page**

If we all register activities on the SDGs website we can make ourselves seen. In order to do this you should use the common hashtags #IVS4ClimateJustice #climatechange and register the camp under the name IVS for Climate Justice.

**Opportunity for TRAINING for Soil Ambassadors**

* Training for Soil Ambassadors 44 places open for young people in the EU during the Global Human Rights week 14-19 October 2019, France. To find out more about this training – click [HERE](#) for the call. The Training will prepare young people to implement Climate Justice actions in 2020 projects.

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