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HERE'S HOW TO FIND US

Bad Bevensen is to be found on the B4 between Lüneburg and Uelzen and is a train stop on the line between Hamburg and Hannover. Closest international airports are Hamburg and Hannover.

Our conference center is to be found in the district of Medingen directly in front of the convent on the banks of the River Ilmenau. It is 20 minutes' walk away from the train station. One can go via taxi by ringing +49 (0) 5821 3012 or +49 (0) 5821 3012 1010.

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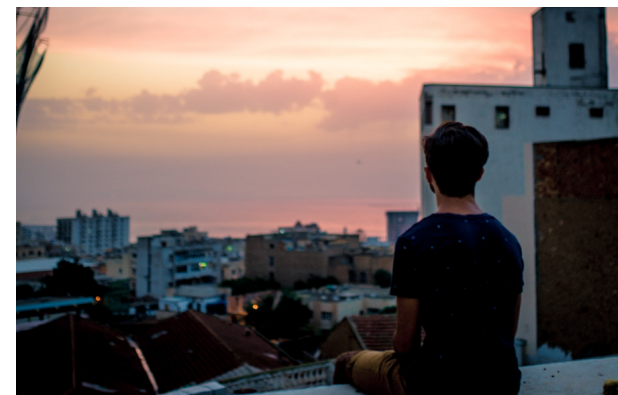
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TO TELL OUR STORIES: YOUTH MEMORIES ON REFUGE AND RESILIENCE

International Exchange and Oral History
Training for Youth with Flight and
Displacement Experiences
19.05.2023–28.05.2023





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WHAT IS YOUR STORY?

This project is about life stories. Stories that most people rarely hear about. Stories that are important and that should be told to be remembered. And it can be about you and your story – portrayed in a graphic novel.

We invite youth to participate in the international oral history project **"To tell OUR stories: youth memories on refuge and resilience"**. We are looking for young people – no matter from which background – who have personal experience in the context of war, flight and displacement, young people who had to leave their home behind at some point in their life and who would like to share their experiences and are ready to exchange with others.

Our project goal is to make various personal stories associated with forced displacement and life in a "new home" visible by means of a jointly created graphic novel. Through the mutual exchange of personal experiences we want to strengthen and empower participants, currently living in Germany and in Ukraine, to raise their voice.



WHAT TO EXPECT?

We will hold a **10-day training seminar in oral history**, and train participants in this particular interviewing method which is widely used to document and publish personal stories of "ordinary people" – also in times of crisis and war. Based on collected interviews, the participants, with the professional help of an artist, will create a graphic novel that will later be published and presented in Germany and Ukraine.

WHEN AND WHERE AND WHO?

The training seminar will take place from **May 19th to 28th, 2023, at the Gustav Stresemann Institut (GSI) in Bad Bevensen**. Participants, currently based in Germany and in Ukraine, will meet, learn and work together on the graphic novel. There will be plenty of time for interactive exchange and fun things to do and to discover.

We are well aware of the sensitivity of the topics and will do our best to provide a learning environment in which all participants feel as safe as possible. Our team will be composed of trainers and experts in education, oral history, diversity and international exchange. Some of the team members have themselves personal experience as a refugee or displaced person.



HOW MUCH?

All costs related to participation will be covered by the project. Travel costs will be fully reimbursed.

HOW TO APPLY?

You can submit your application on GSI's website: **<http://s.gsi-bevensen.de/1h82>** or by email to **Daniel.bernhardt@gsi-bevensen.de**

Please leave us your name and address and write some lines about yourself and why you want to be a part of this project. **Deadline for applications is on May 1st, 2023.**

Participation requirements:

- Personal experience with (forced) displacement as a refugee or other
- Currently based and living in Germany (nationality does NOT matter!)
- 18 to 35 years old
- At least intermediate skills in English
- Willingness to participate in an international exchange project with participants from Ukraine and other countries
- Strong motivation to learn and apply the method of oral history and to work on a graphic novel together