



Mieux qu'un voyage, une expérience

Solidarité internationale

Project Title	Inc'Rock Festival
City Location	Chemin de la Carrière aux Pavés 16A 1315 Incourt- BELGIUM. Bus stop: "incourt Eglise" Meeting point: "Midi (South or Zuid) train station" at the Fonsny avenue's entrance
SVI contact	www.servicevolontaire.org incoming@servicevolontaire.org +32 2 888 67 13
Type	Music Festival
Max volunteers	About 10 volunteers

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Music Festival of Inc'Rock Festival

Who are we?

SVI (In English: International Volunteering Service) is a Belgian pluralistic youth organization run by and for young people, by and for volunteers. It is an apolitical and non-religious organization. It is open to everyone, without discrimination of nationality, race, philosophy, financial resources, education or sexual orientation. SVI is registered in Belgium as a non-profit organization (NPO).



The organization mainly works in the field of international volunteering (international projects), but also in the areas of social economy, solidarity tourism and intercultural exchanges between young Europeans and the rest of the world. Each year, it sends more than 350 volunteers abroad and welcomes about 100 foreign volunteers in Belgium and France. The aim of the Belgian organization is to stimulate young people's interest (from 16 to 30 years old) to volunteering. SVI thinks it is not only an act of solidarity but also an opportunity to live an experience of active citizenship and a way to learn how to live as a community. Beside international projects, SVI also offers opportunities for young people to meet and encourages them to create their own projects and to take over the management of the organization.

Our workcamp



L'Inc'Rock BW Festival was born in the municipality of Incourt in 2005. This festival has grown over the years and there are more and more people who come. It has gained fame and this is an advantage. It is an event you cannot miss in Wallonia since it gives a hint of what summer festivals will be!

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It is organized around three days. Those will be three days of music on three stages (one outside) with more than 40 concerts, animations, and a great atmosphere. There will be rock, urban, hip hop and French music as well as new groups. Moreover, it will give a predominant place to Wallonia and Brussels artists. World-famous artists will also perform. In addition, a firework show, a VIP area and a camping site will be organized.

Check the website for the news : <http://www.incrock.be/>

Work:

With more than 10,000 people in three days, the area of the festival is very dirty.

So, three days before the festival starts, volunteers are going to help install stand, tables, barriers, and so on. During the festival, volunteers could enjoy the festival and could be behind the bar and serve beers or food. You could also be in front of the stage to secure the area. After the festival, you will clean the area and help uninstall the area. You will collect and recycle the waste to give a nice and safe ground to the festival-goers. You will discover various sides of the organization of a festival.



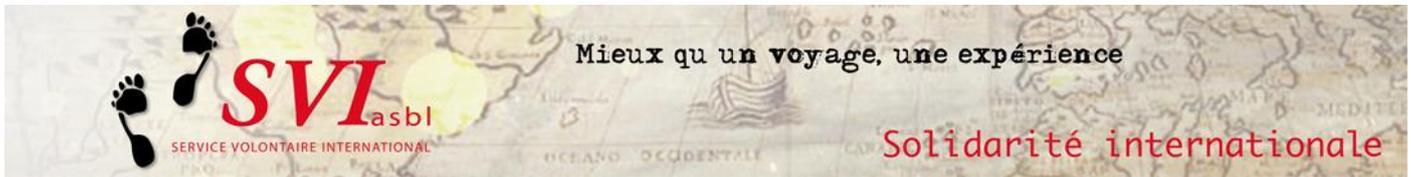
Volunteer profile:

The volunteers are young people (18-35 years old) who want to work OUTSIDE and live in a VERY BASIC CAMPING. You have to be flexible and enthusiastic. You CANNOT have any physical condition. And most important, you must love music!

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Accommodation and food:

A camping site is reserved for the volunteers. It is well located. There are showers and toilets. You need a flashlight, toilet paper, bath towel, basic pharmacy, ear plugs... You can expect not to have hot water to shower. You need to bring all the things that might be useful because you will not be able to buy anything during your stay over there!!



You must think about bringing material to fix your tent in case it breaks.

You must absolutely bring everything you need. If you do not have all the needed material, you might end up sleeping outside in the mud.

All meals are included.

Material and clothing:

Boots or walking shoes (you might prefer not to take too nice shoes because you might get **VERY** dirty). Don't forget, everything will take place **outside**.

Working clothes (for the construction work), and comfortable clothes (for the festival). Summer clothes **AND** winter clothes because it can get really warm or really cold or very rainy or all of them together!! Volunteers need to bring clothes that dry really really fast because if you get wet, you might have to change clothes various time a day. If you think about bringing clothes that dry fast, you will not end up with only wet clothes left.



If you are sensitive to noise, you can bring earplugs. They might be really useful because it gets very noisy during the festival. Working with a headache is not really nice and sleeping in the noise either!

Visa:

European citizens only need a national identity card or a passport.

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Non-European citizen may need a visa. The visa must be requested at the embassy or Belgian consulate of the country where you live.

If there is no embassy or Belgian consulate in the country where they live, you should contact the Belgian Embassy, which is responsible for their country. This one is usually located in a neighbouring country.

The procedure for visa application can sometimes take a long time. Therefore, volunteers must apply for a visa at least four weeks before departure.



(http://diplomatie.belgium.be/fr/Services/venir_en_belgique/visa_pour_la_belgique/)

If you need an invitation letter, you can contact us at info@servicevolontaire.org

Volunteers can get extra info at <http://www.diplomatie.be/en/travel/visa/default.asp>

Fees

Participation fees are free, what they pay is for their sending organization. In Belgium, you just need to have a **small budget** for your free time.

Visiting Belgium



Please visit the Belgian Official Tourist Site: <http://www.belgique-tourisme.net/>

They can also find guidebooks about Belgium on our web site (in English and French):

http://www.servicevolontaire.org/workcamp_in_belgium.php?menu_selected=48&sub_menu_selected=271&language=FR

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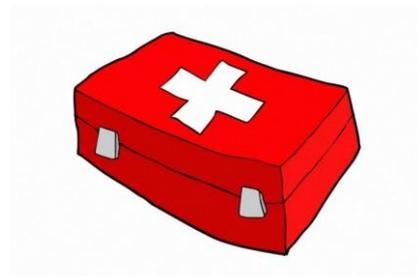
How to prepare your trip to Belgium

Plane trip to Belgium

Volunteers might want to visit [our website](#) for cheaper plane tickets.

Health

You need a health insurance to cover your entire trip to Belgium (however usually the host has an insurance to cover your working time). Your sending association may help you find a suitable one. No vaccine is required but if you are going to do some physical work, we recommend that you take the vaccines against lockjaw and hepatitis. Make sure that you have seen a dentist before you leave home.



Volunteers must bring all the medicines you need. It might be complicated to buy them in Belgium if you do not have the necessary documents to get it. The medicine you need might have a different name from the one it has in your country.

In cases of accident all participants from foreign countries are insured by the International Volunteering Service. Nevertheless they need to have their insurance and a health insurance.

European volunteers need their [European Health Insurance Card](#) up to date. You can get it for free!

Seven days prior to departure

You need to confirm your trip seven days before departure by sending a confirmation form to your sending association (at home). That form will be communicated to the SVI, and allow us to organize your arrival with our partner associations.

Volunteers need to know that their sending association is allowed to require some subscription fees independently from the project in Belgium. These fees allow you to work and provide you with volunteering projects. For more information, volunteers need to contact their sending association. Once you have arrived in Belgium, there is no fee to pay to the host association.

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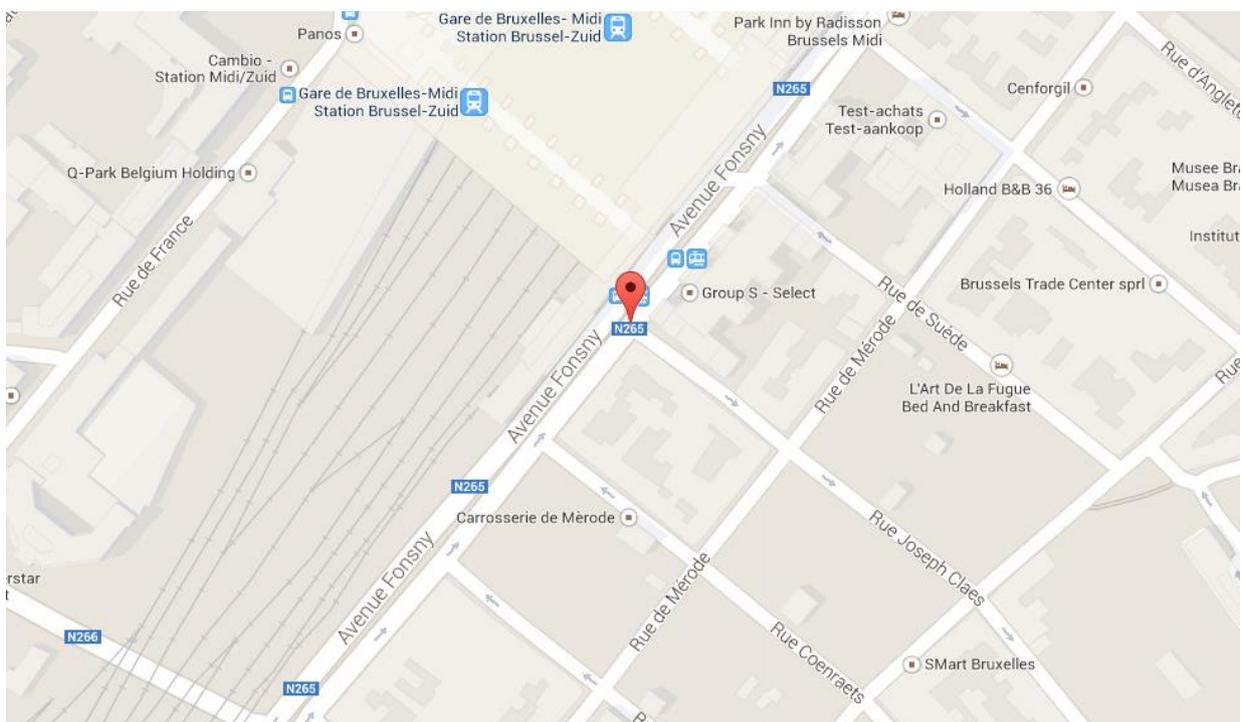
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When they arrive to Belgium

You need to go to the meeting point on your own!

Meeting point: "Midi (South or Zuid) train station" at the Fonsny Avenue's entrance, (next to metro escalators)



From France: check www.sncf.com or <http://www.covoiturage.fr/>

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If they go there by train:



If you are coming from Brussels airport, you can take a train.

- Take the train from the Midi (South or Zuid) train station from Brussel to Wavre
- Stop in Wavre train station and take the bus Number 23 direction Jodoigne, stop in "Eglise Incourt". We will pick up you.

If you come before that time/date, check youth hostels in Brussels (http://visitbrussels.be/bitc/BE_en/sleep/youth-hostels.do).

If you are coming from Charleroi airport (Brussels South airport), you can take a bus to the train station and then a train to the Tirlemont station.

You have two options:

- 1) You can buy a single ticket (if you buy a return ticket, you must go and come back on the **SAME** day) from a vending machine. You can pay in cash or by credit card. The price of the ticket is 5 Euros. You take bus A in Charleroi train station to Brussel "Midi" train station.
- 2) You can buy a ticket "to any Belgian station". This ticket combines the bus ticket AND the train ticket from the airport to the Charleroi train station and then to any other Belgian station. You can buy a single ticket (if you buy a return ticket, you must go and come back on the **SAME** day) from a vending machine. You can pay in cash or by credit card.



If you go there in taxi:

Do not go to Incourt in taxi!!!! It is EXTREMELY expensive!!!!

General information about public transportation in Belgium

In Belgium, it is possible to go to most places by bus or train. Volunteers must always buy their ticket before boarding. There is also a network of trams and undergrounds in Brussels and some other cities. If you plan to travel a lot through Belgium in train ([train schedules and tickets](#)), you might want to buy a Gopass (50€ for 10 travels if they are younger

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than 26) ; if you plan to travel a lot around Brussels ([general travel information](#)), you can buy a « jump – 10 trips » card for about 12€. Caution: taxi is much more expensive than in some other countries.

Phone

To give a phone call in Belgium, it is necessary to type +32 or 0032 then the number without initial 0. For example, if volunteers need to call SVI (International Volunteering Service) for any question or help about their volunteering, the local phone number is 028886713, but with a phone from any other country, you need to type +3228886713 or 003228886713. The same principle applies if your relatives want to call you from abroad

Cheaper international phone calls

When you are abroad, giving and receiving phone calls can become very expensive. SVI recommends two services that are cheaper than traditional phone services :

- For a short term workcamp, [buy and international SIM card](#), it will allow volunteers to receive phone calls from a foreign country free of roaming fees. The person who calls you will only pay the price of a call to Europe, or nothing if they have a phone package in Europe. This card costs only 12€ and allows to write an unlimited number of text messages and have a cheaper internet access (if available).

Emergency phone numbers

If volunteers encounter any trouble related to your volunteering project, you can call **SVI** at +3228886713

The following numbers can be called from free in any emergency situation:

	100	Medical emergency and fire service
	112	European service in case of accident or aggression
	070 245 245	Poison center
	071 448 000	Burn care center
	105	Help in case of sinister and catastrophe

It might be useful to check the address and phone number of [their country's embassy or consulate in Belgium](#).

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How to prepare your luggage

- It is crucial for volunteers to bring all their stuff in a backpack and not in any other type of suitcase, which might become very uncomfortable to move after a long journey.
- Volunteers need to bring a tent, a sleeping bag and a mattress and adapt your luggage to the camping.
- Belgium has a very unstable weather, it can be very cold or quite hot, and rain is always to expect. Keep that in mind when you pack up your clothes.

We hope they will enjoy their stay in Belgium!

