Call for Volunteers to participate in a Virtual workcamp:
Glocal Hero International Incubation Programme (Laos)

Do you want to make our world a better place? Do you want to take actions in response to the needs of community? Do you want to know how to attract more people to support your mission and passion?

Global Association for People and the Environment (GAPE) together with Huam Jai Asasamak Association (HJA) in collaboration with VolTra Hong Kong is seeking 50 Lao volunteers to participate in the Virtual workcamp: Glocal Hero International Incubation Programme in Lao PDR. This is a platform for Lao young people to exchange and explore experiences and knowledge with international youth around the globe. The programme will last for about a month, and the volunteers will have a chance to practice their skills as a team and individuals based on the assignments.

In this programme, we would focus on incubating social project initiated by young people to create international social impact together! We welcome young people (16 -29 years old) from different countries to join this amazing journey to team-up with international fellows and develop social projects ideas together.

To encourage international engagement and stand with international workcamp organizations under the Covid-19 pandemic, GAPE on behalf of the programme in Lao PDR, would provide USD20 per participant for those who participate and complete the entire workcamp programme.

By the end of the programme, you will have chance to showcase your project idea on international fund-raising platforms and in the “Action For World” presentation.
Qualifications

• Lao national
• Be a young people, age between 16 – 29 years old
• Committed to learning and fully participating in the programme
• Strong written & oral communication skills – ability to present to an audience in English
• Ideally, will be a member of the indigenous community, Lao Youth Union and Lao Women’s Union with established relationships of trust, etc.

Reporting & Collaboration:

The volunteers will be providing guidance and tips on how to write-up the report at the end of the programme by GAPE, and even from the host organization – VolTra Hong Kong.

Before the programme, the GAPE Country Director, who is a Lao Volunteer Ambassador, will provide an orientation to the group on self-preparation and all information required for the programme.

If you want to join this amazing journey to team-up with international fellows and develop social projects ideas together, please kindly reply us this email by noon on 20th December. We will provide the nomination name list template and ways to apply for partnership fee AFTER we receive your email.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

DURATION: 1 month (31st December 2020 – 6th February 2021)
STARTING DATE: As soon as possible
HOW TO APPLY: Provide your full name, nick name, date of birth, telephone number and email address - with subject line ‘Volunteer’ to: gapeinternational@gmail.com or WhatsApp +856 20 56301308 no later than noon on Sunday, 20th December 2020.

Global Association for People and the Environment (GAPE) and Huam Jai Asasamak (HJA)
are equal opportunity organizations and welcome all Lao volunteers!

Global Association for People and the Environment (GAPE) is a Canadian non-profit, socio-environmental purpose organization. It was established in December 1999 and began work in the Lao PDR in 2001. GAPE’s mission is: To assist people in developing their own potential in an ecologically sensitive and socially just manner; To implement and co-ordinate community development and environmental conservation programs in various countries worldwide; To facilitate people-centered learning through supporting community-based education programs with an emphasis on ecological issues.

HJA is a not-for-profit association of Lao PDR, initiated by Cuso International Lao PDR’s research work in 2003. In 2007, HJA started its first batch of volunteer in-takes, which targeted youth from rural areas and ethnic backgrounds, aged between 18 – 25 years old. The intent and purpose of this project was to create and open opportunities to youth, in order for them to work with partner organizations to develop their skills and gain hands-on experience during their placement period of 12 months. Thereafter, these experiences can be carried through to the development of their own communities.
**Programme Highlights**

- **More than a virtual meeting:** Interact with international participants and develop a social project together with like-minded teammates around the world
- **Support your Glocal Action:** A well-designed incubation training and seed funding for your outstanding international social project
- **Variety of experiences:** A series of well-designed missions to facilitate personal growth, global exposure, and social awareness
- **Borderless experience at your own pace:** Access to the missions and conduct different challenges in anywhere and any time-zone

**Programme Details**

**Glocal Hero Mission Challenge**  **[13 Jan – 8 Feb 2021]**

- Select the best timing according to your personal schedule and time zone to complete individual tasks
- Submit the mission easily via an accessible mobile app called “Glocal Action” and social media platform
- Team-up with international fellows to develop the project idea in a step-by-step process

**Kick-off Session**  **[16 JAN 2021]**

- Kick-off session of the whole programme, a chance to build networks with international fellows
- Introduce the programme details and tips for “winning” the mission challenge
- A well-designed training about ways to reduce the friction of cooperating with international team

**Design Thinking Workshop**  **[22 Jan 2021]**

- The most important principle and thinking process to design your social project idea

**Glocal Action Salon**  **[27 Jan 2021]**

- Gain inspiration from experienced social innovator about tips of implementing impactful social projects

**“Action For World” Presentation**  **[6 Feb 2021]**

- Selected group would have the chance to present their social project and gain constructive feedback
- Groups with outstanding performance would be awarded with Seed Funding of HKD 10,000