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Date and place of birth: 3.11.1986 in Prague, Czech Republic

Gender: female

About me:

Because of being a philosopher I struggle with briefly introducing myself. Language is not precise and has no means to capture any human being. That is where my interest in language, ethics and communication comes from. I am very fond of philosophers who were encouraging people to think and aim to do likewise. Apart from philosophy I paint and participate in projects I consider meaningful. My part is usually creative but also in the area of organization and logistics because I seem to have analytical mind and therefore work well with patterns, structures and possibilities.

Education:

2013 – 2015 MA in Theory and Philosophy of Communication, Faculty of Philosophy, University of West Bohemia in Pilsen

2015 January to June – University of Bergen, Erasmus+ programme

MA thesis – Ethics of Ludwig Wittgenstein. The problem of truth and language in ethics.

2008 – 2013 BA in Liberal Arts and Humanities, Faculty of Humanities, Charles University in Prague

BA thesis – Typology of Dialogue. The ways different approaches to communication form the result of it.

Projects and activities:

ArtIn Atelier – as a group of painters we have started a project “We are opening the eastern way” in 2012. Our aim is to capture our experiences from travels in paintings and other artwork and present them at exhibitions in Prague. We have started our project with a journey to Siberia in 2012 and continued with painting trips to Mongolia. As most of us are not full time painters but professionals in various fields we are interested not only in art but also in history,

environment and contemporary situation and we work on offering information in those areas.

My responsibilities during our travels are safety, logistics, basic medical care, negotiations and mediating when needed. Which is based on my experience from volunteering in Red Cross (Humanitarian unit).

Sokratovske rozhovory z.s. – I am a member of the Civil Society Organisation Sokratovske rozhovory since 2012, which focuses on the communication method developed by Leonard Nelson (Sokratische Gespräche) and its pedagogical aspects. We cooperate with a German organization Die Philosophisch-Politische Akademie. Among others I have been to a conference Philosophizing Through Dialogue, Berlin 2013.

World Student Christian Federation Europe (WSCF-E) and Oikumene Akademicka YMCA - WSCF is a student organization dealing with current issues (e.g. racism and xenophobia, domestic violence, gender equality). It encourages dialogue between students from different countries, promotes activism and development of democratic structures. I was a part of a team organising student international conferences and workshops and I was also the contact person for the Czech republic. I am still member of Oikumene Akademicka YMCA which is a small organization running intellectually based events for public in Czech Republic.

Studenti FHS UK, z.s. – as a member of student body I have organized musical festivals Fest FHS 2010 and 2011. I have also contributed to events like Nights of Universities in 2012, Workshop of Protest Songs and other student projects.

Languages:

English – fluent

Norwegian – basic

German – basic

Czech – mother tongue