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Getting to know Switzerland!

In our "Jubilee Year", 1991, young Swiss expatriates will have a chance to participate in a programme of exchange visits between teenagers who live abroad and those resident in Switzerland.

The programme envisages vacation visits by young people living abroad to stay with Swiss families in Switzerland for about six weeks, while in the reverse direction, visits by youngsters from Switzerland will be arranged, to Swiss families living in other countries. Those taking part from Europe could also choose an alternative form of exchange visit in which each of the «partners» would stay for three weeks only with the family of the other teenager. They would, according to their inclinations and interests, enrol in holiday study courses, take a short-term job with a firm or even undertake some preliminary studies that could help them when they make their subsequent university entry.

Countries for the project: In this programme, participants could in 1991 be accepted from Argentina, Canada, Denmark, Germany, England, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain and South Africa.

Dates: from beginning of July to mid-August 1991.

Conditions: Ages from roughly 14 to 20 years (overseas 16–20). The mother and/or the father must be a Swiss citizen.

Price: About Sfr. 400.–, excluding travel expenses, but inclusive of a brief stay at an "information camp", individual help with arrangement of "sampling" jobs and courses in connection with future occupations. Assistance and advice will of course be available when needed.

Organisers: The "Secretariat for the Swiss Abroad", in collaboration with the Zurich branch of the AFS Organisation for Intercultural Programmes, and with support from the Federal Department for Foreign Affairs.

Applications to take part: To be submitted by March 1991.

Application forms can be obtained through:
Auslandsschweizer-Sekretariat,
Jugenddienst, Alpenstrasse 26,
CH-3000 Berne 16



New Year ski camp 1990/91

The Youth Service of the Secretariat for the Swiss Abroad arranges enjoyable annual ski camps aimed at encouraging young Swiss expatriates – to take up this winter sport. A choice of different programmes will provide variety. These camps are ideal for both experienced skiers and for beginners.

Date and Location: From Thursday December 27 1990 to Saturday, January 5 1991, at Im Boden, near Splügen in the Grisons.

Price: Approximately Sfr. 580.– including «season» ticket for ski lifts.

Running the Camp: Edith Locher, Gymnastics and Sports teacher, who is the Principal of our Youth Service.

Conditions: Those taking part should be from 15 – 25 years of age. The mother and/or the father of the participant must be a Swiss citizen.

Applications: These should be submitted by November 15 1990. Applications forms can be obtained from:

Auslandsschweizer-Sekretariat, Jugenddienst, Alpenstrasse 26, CH-3000 Berne 16. Please note that the number of participants will be limited to 50.

Obituary: Prof. Dr. Josua Werner

Prof. Josua Werner died on 28 May 1990, soon after his 66th birthday, following a long illness.

Prof. Werner held the chair of Political Economics at the University of Hohenheim in Stuttgart. Despite a busy work schedule, he always found time for the problems of his fellow-citizens in Stuttgart. He also served in several capacities in the committee of the local Swiss Society.

In 1974 Prof. Werner was elected President of the Swiss Societies of the Federal Republic of Germany and West Berlin.

In the same year he also accepted an invitation to join the then Commission of the Swiss Abroad and its eight-member Bureau, where he became known for his commitment.

Prof. Werner also played a leading role in the collection to finance the «Auslandsschweizerplatz» in Brunnen on Lake Lucerne. He was president of the working party on Europe set up by the Council of the Swiss Abroad. In this capacity he took a keen interest in the problems arising for Swiss abroad from Switzerland's non-membership of the EC. Prof. Werner's death

has deprived us of a dynamic and forceful fellow-citizen who

defended our interests with much skill and understanding.



Winter-Season 1990/91 in Davos/Jakobshorn

We are looking for young skilift-employees. Ideal age not less than 18 years old.

German ist useful but not necessary. «Ausland-Schweizer» with Swiss passport please contact:

Davos-Jakobshorn, CH-7270 Davos Platz
Switzerland, Fax (081) 43 46 55