

Warsaw, Poland – March 15, 2012



PRE-CONFERENCE BUILD WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Habitat for Humanity is inviting participants to use the 2012 CEESA Conference pre-conference day building with Habitat for Humanity in Warsaw, Poland. The participants are going to work on a construction of a home for people with mental disabilities.

What are we going to build?

The participants are going to be involved in plastering, painting and/or constructing fire-safety path (pavement) around the building under specialized construction supervision.



Sign Up NOW

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7.30 am Transfer to the site
8.15 am Safety Construction Orientation + Tour of the site
Build
10:00 Coffee Break
Build
12:00 pm Lunch break (on site)
Build
2:45 Coffee break
Build
4:30 pm Finish work; Transfer back to hotel

Cost

150 € per person

The cost includes the transfers to the build site, coffee breaks, lunch and a donation to the build project.

About Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian organization dedicated to eliminating poverty housing. Active in nearly 100 countries around the globe, Habitat for Humanity invites students, teachers, and people of all ages, faiths and ethnic backgrounds to join the mission. Volunteering with Habitat for Humanity offers a great way to become aware of local poverty housing problems –and to be part of the solution.

In Europe and Central Asia Habitat for Humanity International works in 19 countries, building and repairing houses, offering micro-credit home-improvement loans, improving water and sanitation, working on disaster response and advocating for affordable housing, all with families in need.

Since its founding in 1976, Habitat has built or renovated over 500,000 houses worldwide, providing simple, decent and affordable shelter to almost 2 million people.

Why is Habitat for Humanity in Poland?

As a former member of the Eastern Bloc, Poland has to deal with the legacy left by communist economic and social policies. Despite tremendous reforms, overcrowded and damp housing without proper sanitation is still the reality for too many of Poland's low -income working families. These families are often forgotten behind the walls of aging Soviet-style apartment building blocks. Economic Housing Institute research indicates that almost one in four apartments in Poland should be condemned. This sad statistic exacerbates the problem that Poland needs more than 1.5 million affordable apartments just to meet current demand. Of the Existing housing stock, approximately one in eight do not have a kitchen and almost one in 10 share a toilet with an entire floor of apartments or do not have an indoor facility at all. With a severe affordable housing shortage, low- income families often have no choice but to live in substandard housing that threatens their health and safety.

