

Cranes Club Europe: Information About IRFF UK's Project - Volunteers Needed

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Dear Cranes Club members,

Please see below a message from IRFF UK an organisation that we believe is aligned to our goals and mission as Cranes Club.

"This is a request from IRFF UK. We are one of TP's charities founded in the UK in 1980, which is now setting itself on a course of expansion to be much more effective in serving the people of Africa.

Briefly put: in the years IRFF UK has been investing heavily into projects in Uganda and then subsequently into projects in the DR Congo, Ghana and South Africa, and has grown by 300% in 5 years to become a £60,000 p.a. income charity. But that is just a start.

We have achieved a lot during the last few years but are very aware, like all bigger charities, that we need a lot more volunteers to serve our target populations better. When we say serve what we mean is to “teach them how to fish”, to help them become self-sufficient, as individuals or as an organisation such as IRFF Uganda, and then to move on to help someone new.

We need bright young people to work with who could simply volunteer with us or even, over time, become a trustee or a Working Board member and take on a more formal role with us. This is why we are approaching you.

Service to others is a powerful thing to do in our lives and according to the spiritual law “what goes around comes around” can bring great happiness, even great fortune in our lives. We see it happening.

IRFF UK is not religious in its approach. Our background may be based upon a spiritually inspired desire to serve, but we operate externally just like any other secular charity.

So a strong or a weak connection to TP is not at all a criterion for IRFF; it is a love for mankind, a desire to help others and being trustworthy that we are seeking.

What IRFF needs right now is:

- One person who can learn how to write and create funding bids/applications for government money and/or funds from trusts and foundations
- One or two researchers who can work to prepare for new projects, gathering data which is essential for creating a so-called Case for Support, as well as much other information as required

- 15-20 volunteer fundraisers who can fundraise wherever they are, in any creative and fun way, whether in the UK, mainland Europe or the USA, to give IRFF UK the financial means to move forward to greater effectiveness.

Please consider whether you would like to help IRFF UK achieve its ambitious goals. We would really welcome your contribution - large or small.

The benefits to you: it looks very good on your CV but also there is deep satisfaction and even good fortune in selflessly working to improve the lives of and to empower people who are just like us, who just need some support to become self-sufficient.

The team in the UK has prepared an information pack for those showing interest as well as a questionnaire which should help to clarify what you would be interested to do and how you would consider to do it.

We would really like to hear from you. Please reply to Eddie Hartley at irffukhq@gmail.com asking for the information pack and the questionnaire as well any questions you may have at this stage.

Best regards

Eddie Hartley Chair of the Trustees, on behalf of IRFF UK"

