# PRE-DEPARTURE MEETING

OUTGOING STUDENTS 12 JUNE 2024





## **PROGRAMME: OUTGOING STUDENTS**

TIME	ACTIVITY	WHO
19:00	Opening of presentation	Sarah Kotter, Exchange Coordinator, Faculty S&T
19:05	UT ambassadors	Joe Laufer, Senior Advisor, Alumni Relations
19:10	Pre-departure practicalities	Sarah Kotter
19:25	Student presentation: culture shock	Ellen Kok, former outgoing student and Secretary, ESN Twente
19:35	Health & safety abroad	Anna Nardini, Emergency Officer International
19:45	Erasmus Student Network	Subhraneil Das, Advocacy & Integration Officer, ESN Twente
19:50	Closing of presentation	Sarah Kotter
20:00	Drinks (Waaier ring downstairs)	
20:00	Country group meetings start	
21:00	Country group meetings conclude	
21:00	Drinks (Sports Centre Canteen)	Hosted by ESN Twente

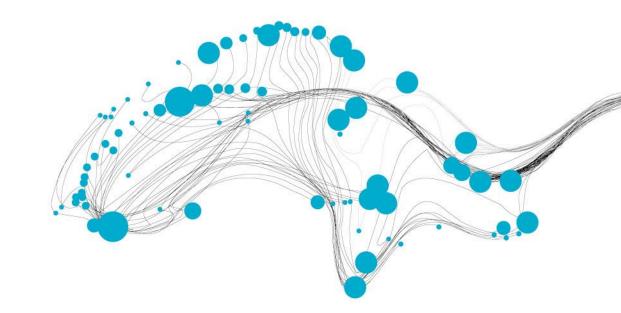
# **UT AMBASSADORS**

#### JOE LAUFER, SENIOR ADVISOR, ALUMNI RELATIONS



## PRACTICALITIES

SARAH KOTTER, EXCHANGE COORDINATOR, FACULTY S&T







**Important:** Make sure that you **always** complete the application/course selection before the deadline(s). Even if you're unsure about certain documents, always make sure that you complete the applications or hand in the required documents before the deadline.

Complete both:

- UT: Mobility Online application
- Partner University: host application

If you do not complete the required steps before the deadline (different for each partner), it might be possible that you will not be able to go abroad.

#### **Remember**: Mobility Online UT ≠ Application Partner University



### DEADLINES

#### Scholarship Deadline:

Since there is a quite a lot of (digital) paperwork involved, make sure that you completed <u>all</u> the "Before Mobility Online" steps at least **4 weeks** before the start date.





### **STUDENT AMBASSADOR SCHOLARSHIP**

The UT would like to reward students who put effort into actively promoting the UT abroad.

To be awarded the scholarship, you must participate in at least one promotional activity, such as:

- representing UT at a study abroad fair
- a social media takeover
- a presentation about UT

A limited number of Student Ambassador Scholarships are available each year. Therefore only one scholarship per host institution will be granted. The scholarship is granted according to a first come, first served policy. Please apply at least **2 weeks** before **departure**.

Total amount: € 100

https://www.utwente.nl/en/study-abroad/scholarships/sas/



### **OV-CARD**

Compensation in 2024: € 114,92 per month

Visit the website for more information.

https://duo.nl/particulier/ov-vergoeding-buitenland.jsp

Your Faculty Exchange Coordinator can sign the form.





### HOUSING

Start searching as soon as possible.

Use the **UT Marketplace** Facebook group to advertise your current room to incoming exchange students.

### VISA

Your partner university will inform you about the VISA procedure. When in doubt, please contact the partner. Keep in mind that obtaining a VISA is a **vital** step in the application process.



### TICKETS

Don't book your tickets until you've been accepted by the host institution and you know the exact start date of the semester/ introduction days.

### **PASSPORT/ ID**

Make sure your passport or ID is valid for at least **6 months** after your date of return to the Netherlands.

### BANKING

Make sure you can access money when you arrive. Your Dutch debit card may not work in all countries. You may need a credit card or a travel card.





### **ERASMUS+ GREEN TRAVEL TOP-UP**

If you travel using a **sustainable** mode of transport to and from the host country (e.g. by train) you may be eligible for a green travel top-up.

**Amount:** one-time payment of **€ 50** + a maximum of 4 extra grant days.

Only students with an Erasmus+ Study or Traineeship Scholarship may apply. If you receive travel support as part of your Erasmus+ grant then you are not eligible.

Apply for the top-up via Mobility Online. <u>https://www.utwente.nl/en/study-abroad/scholarships/</u>



### **ERASMUS+ FEWER OPPORTUNITIES TOP-UP**

Eligible students have fewer opportunities as a result of:

- Experiencing financial barriers due to socio-economic reasons (you must receive a student finance supplementary grant from DUO to be eligible) OR
- Experiencing financial barriers due to a physical or mental disability that has an impact on your studies or international mobility.

#### Amount

Long-term study or internship abroad: extra € 250 per month

There are strict criteria for these top-ups. Only students with an **Erasmus+ Study or Traineeship Scholarship** may apply. Apply for the top-up via Mobility Online. <u>https://www.utwente.nl/en/study-abroad/scholarships/</u>



### TIPS

Respect the rules/ culture in your host country

Always participate in the introduction activities at your host institution

Make sure you arrive at least **1** week before the semester starts

Don't hesitate to contact your **host university** (International/Mobility Office) if you have questions.



### **RESPECT THE RULES/ CULTURE IN YOUR HOST COUNTRY**



PLEASE RESPECT LOCAL & TRADITIONAL CULTURE





adies DO NOT expose your shoulders and knees in the temple สุภาพสตรี ไม่ควร ใสเสื้อผ้าที่เผยให้เห็นช่วงหน้าอกและชาอ่อน

adies PLEASE wear appropriate clothing in the temple สุภาพสตรี โปรดสวมใสเสื้อผ้าที่สภาพมิดชิด





Ladies DO NOT touch the monks เพสตรี ไม่ควรถูกเนื้อต้องดัว หรือเข้าใกล่ชิดพระภิกษุสงม์

Ladies PLEASE keep a short distance away from the monk. สภาพสตรีกรณาอยู่ห่างจากพระภิกษสงฆ์พอประมาณ





ю NOT approach the monks with disrespect าอย่าแสดงกิริยามารยาทที่ไม่สุภาพเมื่ออยู่ใกล้ภิกษุสงม์ LEASE approach the monks politely and respect กรุณาสำรวมกิริยามารยาทเมืออยู่ใกล้ภิกษุสงฆ์



PLEASE sit below the monks กรุณา นั่งในระดับที่ต่ำกว่าพระภิกษุสงน์

### **QUESTIONS?**

#### CONTACT YOUR FACULTY EXCHANGE COORDINATOR OR FACULTY INTERNSHIP COORDINATOR

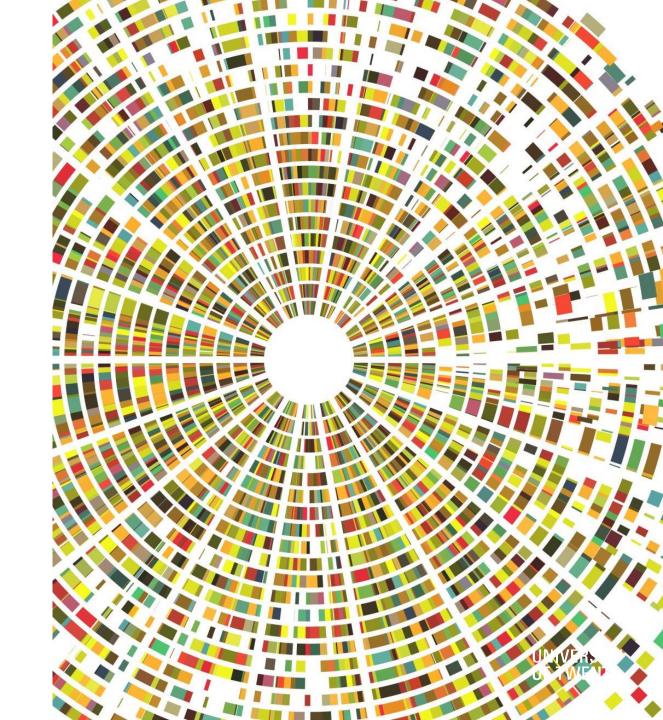




## **CULTURE SHOCK**

EXPERIENCES FROM A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

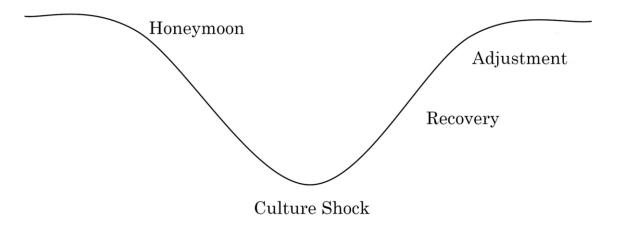
**ELLEN KOK, ESN TWENTE** 



## WHAT IS CULTURE SHOCK?

Cambridge dictionary: "a feeling of confusion felt by someone visiting a country or place that they do not know"

Oberg's (1960) Cultural Adjustment Stages





### **HOW DID I EXPERIENCE CULTURE SHOCK?**

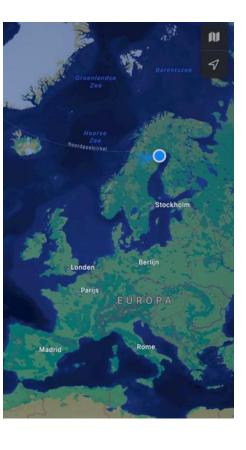
Luleå, Sweden

### Darkness and utter cold

### So much candy!

Why is no one saying hello?

### **Practical issues**





### HOW TO OVERCOME CULTURE SHOCK?



### Take it slowly

### Know what you sign up for... and prepare!

Get your vitamin D! Buy the proper clothes Seek support: friends, study advisor etc

### And don't forget to have fun!





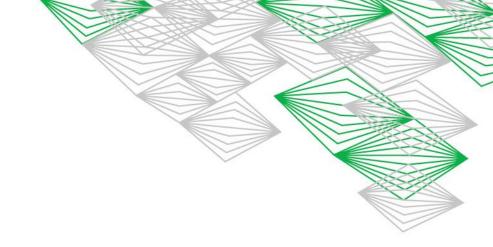




## **QUESTIONS?**

## EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTIES WITH CULTURE SHOCK ABROAD?

CONTACT YOUR UT STUDY ADVISOR FOR SUPPORT



## HEALTH & SAFETY ABROAD

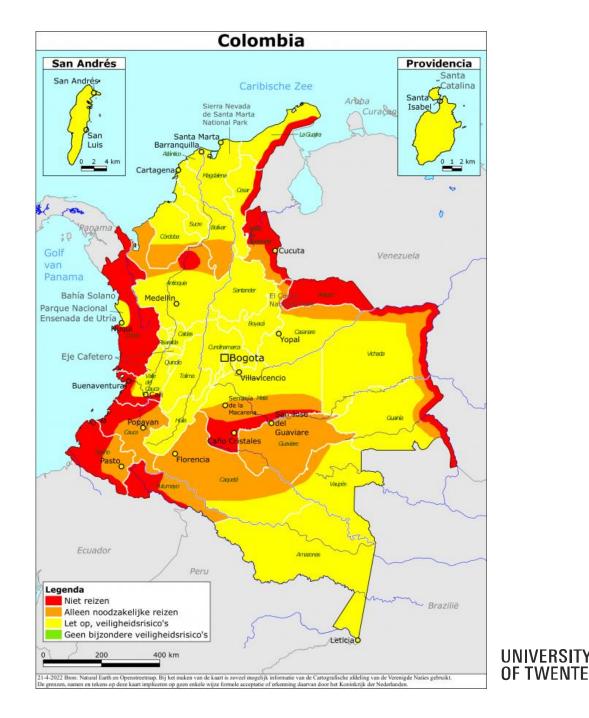
ANNA NARDINI, EMERGENCY OFFICER INTERNATIONAL



Full presentation on Study Abroad website: <u>https://www.utwente.nl/en/study-abroad/practical-matters/</u>

REGISTRATION IN MOBILITY ONLINE + ICE CONTACT IN OSIRIS

REGISTRATION IN BUZA (Dutch citizens) / EMBASSY (International)



#### REGISTRATION IN MOBILITY ONLINE + ICE CONTACT IN OSIRIS

#### **UT MOBILITY ONLINE REGISTRATION**

Make sure your travel dates (e.g. departure/return date, foreign address, foreign phone number, etc...) on mobility online are correct, and keep your details up-to-date throughout your stay!

#### **ICE CONTACT IN OSIRIS**

Emergency Contact: It is important that the UT knows where you are staying at your destination and how to reach you (or your ICE contact) in case of an emergency.

REGISTRATION IN BUZA (Dutch citizens) / EMBASSY (International)



**REGISTRATION IN MOBILITY ONLINE** 

ICE CONTACT IN OSIRIS

#### Nieuw reisadvies voor IJsland



no-reply@informatieservice.nederlandwere



Rijksoverheid

#### Informatieservice Buitenlandse Zaken

Zojuist is een nieuw reisadvies gepubliceerd voor IJsland.

#### $\rightarrow$ Reisadvies IJsland

Voor het schiereiland Reykjanes, waarop onder andere het internationale vliegveld Keflavik ligt, geldt vanaf 11 november 2023 de noodtoestand vanwege verhoogde vulkanische activiteit van de berg Thorbjör en in verband met aardbevingen. Uit voorzorg hebben de lokale autoriteiten iedereen uit de stad Grindavik geëvacueerd. Wegen in het gebied zijn afgesloten. Het vliegveld is open. Bent u in het gebied? Volg de ontwikkelingen via de (lokale) media. Volg het advies op van de lokale autoriteiten. De kleurcode van het reisadvies voor IJsland is groen. Lees het hele reisadvies om te zien wat dit voor u betekent.

REGISTRATION IN BUZA (Dutch citizens) / EMBASSY (International)





#### REGISTRATION IN MOBILITY ONLINE + ICE CONTACT IN OSIRIS

If you receive a wellbeing-check email from the Emergency Abroad Service, and if you are able to, then reply as soon as possible.

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#### CHECK YOUR INBOX REGULARLY!



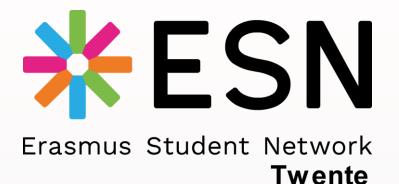


## **EMERGENCY ABROAD**

+ **31 247 247 247** (24/7 BuZa Contact Center - in case of urgent support)



- + **31 682 387 796** (24/7 BuZa Contact Center - only Whatsapp)
- **+ 31 205 469 469** (UT Insurance)
- emergency-abroad@utwente.nl



# The Erasmus Student Network

Making the most of your time studying abroad



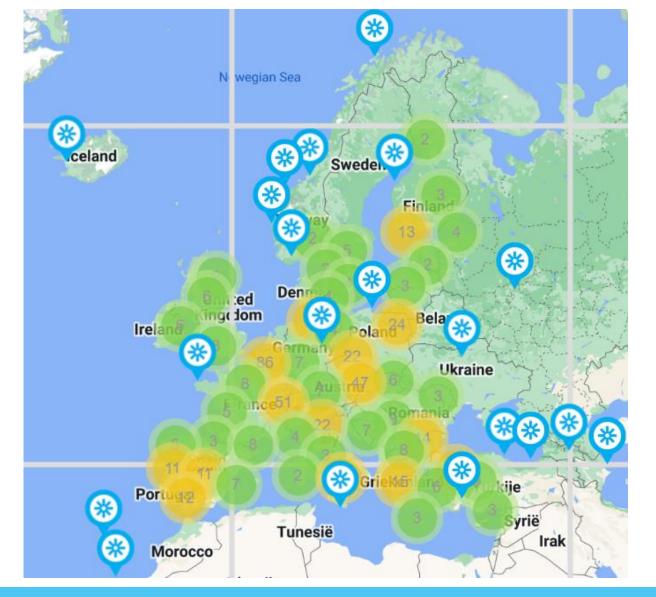
# What is ESN?





## ...a network... of students, for students...

- 41 Countries
- 511 Local sections
- 18 in the Netherlands





- Czech Republic
- Cyprus

Austria

- Estonia
- Finland
- Germany
- Greece
- Italy
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Spain
- Turkey
- UK
- and more!!!

Making friends everywhere!



# How can you get the most out of the ESN experience?

## **Social Activities**





# **Cultural Activities**

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WAS MACHEN SACHEN

Cthobetk



## Language support

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# Parties







# How can you get the most out of the ESN experience?





Kick start your social life once you are back

- Join in with ESN events (usually free!)
- Attend ESN parties

### **Re-integration**

Immerse yourself in the culture

- Join the social activities
- Stay in touch
- Continue meeting international students!



## Get Involved

#### Make the most of the ESN community

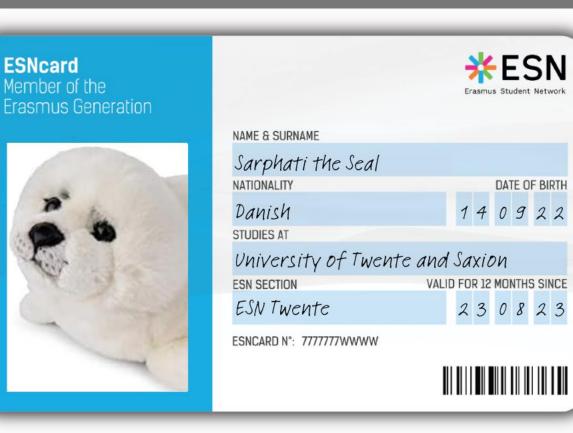
- Join WhatsApp groups and follow on Instagram
- Community of hundreds of international students
- Get help, advice, and find new friends

### **Become an Active Member**

#### Enhance your experience by helping others

- Help plan and run ESN events to help others
- Come up with your own ideas
- Join a diverse community
- Add to your CV!

# ESNCard Should You Get It ??



\*Not necessarily needed to join events \*Discounts and deals!!!

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# Stay in touch!

And see you at the ESN drinks tonight! Time: 21:00 Location: Sports Centre Canteen









### **COUNTRY GROUPS**

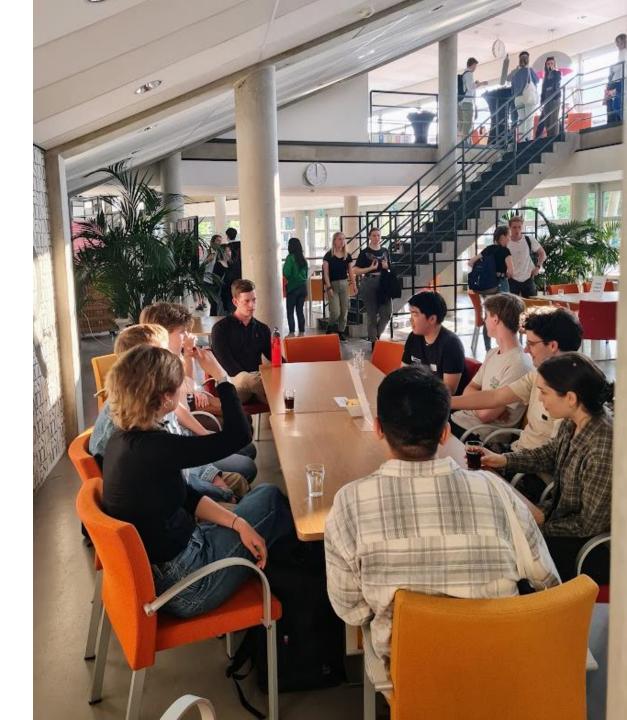
Opportunity for outgoing and incoming students to meet and chat.

## Your chance to ask questions about your destination country or university!

You can use the **flash cards** at your group for conversation topics:

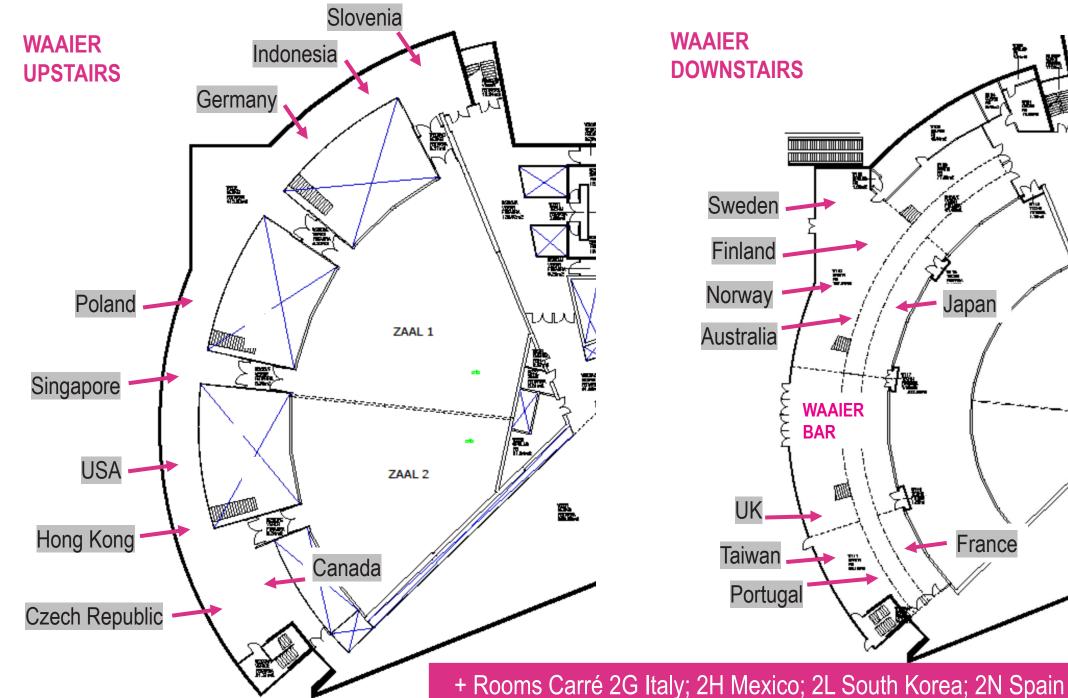


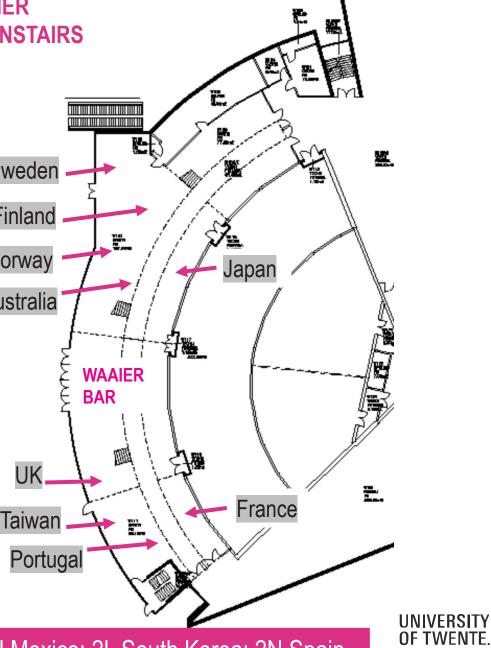
Only for the countries with outgoing students.



### **COUNTRY GROUPS**

COUNTRY	LOCATION	FACILITATOR	COUNTRY	LOCATION	FACILITATOR
Australia	Waaier Downstairs	Liz Louden	Portugal	Waaier Downstairs	Sarah Kotter
Canada	Waaier Upstairs	Margriet Dekkers	Singapore	Waaier Upstairs	-
China - Hong	Waaier Upstairs	Yitong Xue	Slovenia	Waaier Upstairs	-
Kong			South Korea	Carré 2L	Lotte Sander
Czech Republic	Waaier Upstairs	-	Spain	Carré 2N	Tahnee Smits
Finland	Waaier Downstairs	Saana Jukola/ Julia Knot (ESN)	Sweden	Waaier Downstairs	Ellen Kok (ESN)
France	Waaier Downstairs	Lisa Broussois	Taiwan	Waaier Downstairs	-
Germany	Waaier Upstairs	-	United Kingdom	Waaier Downstairs	Brigitte Leurink
Indonesia	Waaier Upstairs	David Marpaung	United States	Waaier Upstairs	-
Italy	Carré 2G	Anna Nardini	<b>No group?</b> Join us to share your experience, ask questions, chat,	Waaier Bar Downstairs	Gyöngyi Karácsony
Japan	Waaier Downstairs	Kai Kojima			
Mexico	Carré 2H	Camila Medina Polanco			
Norway	Waaier Downstairs	Hanna Lücking	play games etc		
Poland Waaier Upstairs -			ROAMING FACILITATOR: Jitske Rijken		





## GOODBYE & GOOD LUCK!

#### SEE YOU DOWNSTAIRS FOR COUNTRY GROUPS

