Experience Report



Please insert here at least one <u>PHOTO</u> of your traineeship stay abroad! Preferred motives are photos of your accommodation, of your work place, of being at work. Attention! Due to legal considerations we kindly ask you to send us only photos that have been taken by yourself!

STUDENT DETAILS

University department / faculty: FVST

Field of study: M.Sc. in Process Safety and Environmental

Engineering

Home university: Otto-von-Guericke-Universität Magdeburg

Nationality: Indian

Duration of traineeship (from ...to...): 01.11.2019 - 30.04.2020

TRAINEESHIP INSTITUTION

Country: Czech Republic

Name of traineeship institution: University of Chemistry and Technology, Prague

Web page: https://www.vscht.cz/?jazyk=en

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EXPERIENCE REPORT (approx. 3 pages + more photos if applicable)

1) Traineeship institution

Please give a brief description of your host traineeship insitution.

The University of Chemistry and Technology, Prague is the largest university specializing in chemistry in the Czech Republic and is one of the country's largest educational and research institutions focused on technical chemistry, chemical and biochemical technologies, material and chemical engineering, food chemistry, and environmental studies.

2) Searching for a traineeship

How did you find your traineeship? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

I found out about it from my friend who did his traineeship in that university. The details regarding the traineeship is available at the university website.

3) Preparation

How did you prepare for your traineeship in terms of language, intercultural, professional and organisational aspects? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

The traineeship was entirely in English language. I had already studied subject related to my traineeship in my masters program which helped me understand the topic and solve problems easily.

4) Accommodation

How did you find your accommodation? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

I found accommodation in the dormitory of the university. I contacted the university before my traineeship started and they helped me with it. The uniersity is very helpful and aided me to complete all the necessary paper work for the accommodation before my arrival in this country.

5) Traineeship

Please describe the tasks and / or the projects carried out during your traineeship. In which way were you mentored and integrated? How were the working conditions? Did you have especially positive or negative experiences?

My work included regular monitoring of the lab scale MBR plant. Daily analysis for the removal of organic compounds and nutrients from the greywater. Moreover, regular sampling of greywater at different HRT to determine the optimum removal efficiency for micropollutants. I was well guided by my supervisor and helped me solve the problems that I faced during the traineeship.

6) Acquired qualifications

Which qualifications and skills could you acquire or improve during your traineeship?

I learned to test the greywater for impurities and operate and monitor a MBR plant.

7) Country-specific features

Are there any specific traineeship regulations in the target country that affected you as an Erasmus trainee (e.g. France: housing allowance, convention de stage? If yes, which ones? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

No

8) Visa, residence and work permit (only for international students)

Which prearrangements had to be made in terms of visa, residence and work permit? Are there any recommendable links or other helpful tips you would like to share?

I contacted the Czech Embassy in berlin for my visa. However, I was informed that the Czech visa was not required for me as long as I have the residency permit in Germany. I was told to return back before the expiration of my German visa. Health insurance and liability insurance were necessary before the beginning of traineeship. Swiss care provided me with the necessary insurance.

9) Other

Is there anything else you want to let other students know?

The university dormitory is located very far from the university campus (about 40 min from the apartment to the campus) with local transport. If anyone wants to stay near the campus, I would recommend them to start finding accommodation a few months early before going to the country.

10) Conclusion

What is the conclusion drawn after your traineeship experience abroad?

It was a wonderful experience. I learned a lot about the topic from the lab work and the guidance from my supervisor. Prague is a very beautiful city. I learned a lot about the place and its culture.

Please send this report by email to julia.schubert@ovgu.de!

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