GO-Project: “2022 GO Ahrtal”

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Education for global citizenship involves awareness-raising, and knowledge and activities which aim to equip all participants with the skills and understanding to take responsibility, to value diversity and to play an active part in European democratic life today.

To this end, the GET Support Team at Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz is organising “2022 GO Ahrtal”.

✓ A collaborative, multidisciplinary and international GO project of JGU Mainz.
✓ 30 Scottish and Irish students / staff come to Rhineland-Palatinate for two weeks.
✓ One week with German students / staff at JGU Mainz.
✓ One week at a school in the Ahrtal region.

As Global Citizenship Education explores key ideas and issues within local and global dimensions, we invite you to learn about climate change and the natural disaster in the Ahrtal.

You will have the opportunity to gain a multifaceted view on the topic by attending a week of interdisciplinary academic courses at JGU Mainz.

Why in the Ahrtal?
In July 2021, the Ahr, a tributary of the Rhine, spread hundreds of yards beyond its banks, engulfing everything in its path and bringing death and destruction. It was, and continues to be, one of the worst natural disasters in Rhineland-Palatinate.

✓ To show our solidarity with the people affected by the floods, we will travel to the Ahrtal region where you will also have the chance to widen your perspective by working with local students and teachers.
✓ The “GO Ahrtal” project gives local students a voice and gives you the opportunity to learn about this natural disaster first hand.
✓ You will have the opportunity to document your results through various creative formats, including the publication on video-centred social media platforms.

Participation in “2022 GO Ahrtal”
✓ Gives you the opportunity to engage with other students in a new and different educational, social and cultural environment.
✓ Offers you the chance to contribute to cultural understanding by engaging pupils with the language and life of your home country.
✓ Enhances your employability and professional skills while providing you with opportunities for personal growth.
✓ Enables you to gain a deep insight into a different culture and its traditions, strengthening your social and cultural awareness.
✓ Lets you walk in the shoes of those who already experienced climate change.
✓ Credits: Global Citizen Award (JGU Scotland Hub).