

Hey! I am Havva Güneş.

I was a part of the project "You(th) Got Potential" in Vienna. I worked in KoMit GmbH for a year.

This one year was so challenging but at the same time it was amazing. I've learnt so many things, had new experiences. First of all I learnt how to survive in another country. Sure, I was not alone, I had my mentor, my coordinator organization with me which made everything easier. I would like to say thank you to my perfect organisation, Grenzenlos for their support.

In the beginning I couldn't speak English fluently, was a challenge for me. There were some weeks that I hadn't speak Turkish at all, to improve my English was my first goal.

During my project actually I was not that happy and satisfied. Because my project didn't let me to be an active, social volunteer. I was working with disabled people. I was supposed to organise leisure time activities for them, I thought it would be fun and active but the problem with my project was the clients (disabled people) don't have time in the week. So when I tried to organise some activities none of them was not interested.

When I realized that it will not work, I started to work as a zivildienst. We were cooking everyday, going for a shopping, setting up the dinner table then cleaning everything. It was fun for me. Sometimes I cooked Turkish dishes too. I will add some photo about it.



This dish is called Kısır.

This is karniyarık with bulgur pilavı.

During the quarantine time, the clients weren't working. So we could finally have time to organise some activities. Someday we were playing bowling in the garden, some day we were playing UNO, painting something with fingercolors.

One of them really likes to play UNO, sometimes we were playing UNO for almost 2 hours! It was fun though. Here are some photos.



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End of all, I will remember my volunteer year always great. I didn't regret for anything at all, not even for a second.

After this beautiful year, I decided that I am in love with Vienna so I applied for a university. I hope I will live here forever with good memories...