Advancing the Mission of Not-For-Profit Organizations: Journeys and Seminars Overseas

As our world becomes more interdependent, not-for-profit organizations are increasingly finding that their mission and work intersect with similar organizations overseas. Not-for-profit leaders host international travel and seminars as ways to foster more dialogue and interaction both within their organizations and with peers overseas. Illume coordinates conferences, seminars and workshops in a variety of settings in Middle Eastern and European countries.

Program Objectives

Foster Creative Continuing Education Opportunities

Bring members of your organization to an overseas location as a way to foster continuing education in a unique and inspiring setting. By leaving our familiar surroundings and routines, we increase learning, dialogue and imagination.

Invite Dialogue and Learning With Overseas Peers

The practices and competencies of not-for-profit organizations can be enhanced through dialogue with similar organizations overseas. Learn from their experiences and insights. See their work in action. Through sharing, inspire innovation and collaboration across borders and disciplines.

Build Support and Funding

Some not-for-profits bring trustees, benefactors and allies on seminars that showcase their work in areas around the world. Build support and funding for work as donors see the relevance and value of the work and have an opportunity to travel with leaders in the field.

Sample Venues and Fields

A sample of not-for-profit thematic programs includes public health organizations traveling to Europe to see how similar organizations deal with obesity, substance abuse, contagious disease, nutrition, and health disparities. Organizations that work in the area of immigration can learn about how other communities welcome and integrate immigrant communities. Other themes include income inequality, gender, unemployment, education and the environment.

The way we travel the world is always changing but the reasons remain constant - to become citizens of the world, *leading and inspiring respectful and compassionate ways of life*. People who travel the globe begin a lifelong journey of worldly citizenship to gain valuable insight about themselves and the world around them through the discovery and exploration of cultures outside their own.

Illume works with group leaders to create customized and unique programs with activities, visits and resources that support your vision and objectives. Call us to begin planning a program tailored to your constituency.

