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Mexico 2016: Volunteering for Social Change



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The 24th World Volunteer Conference 2016 is hosted by Cemefi, the Mexican Center for Philanthropy / Image: IAVE.



From 3-5 November, the city of Puebla will host the 8th World Youth Volunteer Conference / Photograph: IAVE.



IAVE is now accepting proposals for the 2018 World Volunteer Conference / Photograph: IAVE.

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Under the slogan of “**Volunteering for social change**”, the conference will focus on the most relevant [debates](#) on volunteering, which include how the value of volunteering is measured or the linkage between volunteering and work, but also the role of governments and education institutions as volunteering leaders.

This year's edition is hosted by [Cemefi](#), the Mexican Center for Philanthropy, which will hold its 20th National Conference at the same time. The [Alianza Mexicana de Voluntariado](#) (Mexican Volunteering Alliance) (Amevol) will also be involved in this year's edition, which expects some 1,200 participants from 50 different countries.

Some days before, from 3-5 November, the city of Puebla will host the [8th World Youth Volunteer Conference](#), for young volunteers or people linked to youth organisations. The aim is to bring a renewed vision of youth volunteering, acknowledging its role as a key factor for development as well as a responsible and active citizenship exercise. The [program](#) hinges on the **Sustainable Development Goals** and is organised around the following themes:

- Volunteerism for building a healthy, dignified and equal environment
- Volunteering for Sustainable Progress
- Volunteerism for Strengthening a Global Alliance for Peace

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