



## **EIL Volunteer Abroad Predeparture Contract** **(to be signed and returned to EIL)**

The success of your volunteer programme abroad greatly depends on how you will prepare yourself for this experience. It is your responsibility as a volunteer to prepare yourself as much as possible and EIL will support you in any way we can. We have designed this predeparture contract which aims to clarify in a concise way your main responsibilities before starting your experience abroad. Do not hesitate to contact us should you need any clarifications about any of the items below. Please sign and return this contract to EIL in the stamped addressed envelope included in your pack.

As a participant in the EIL Volunteer Abroad programme I agree to the following predeparture conditions:

1. Consult my GP and ask him to fill out the EIL medical form which I will return to EIL;
2. Access professional sources of information on vaccinations and research other health issues related to the area where I am going to volunteer, while making sure I get the necessary vaccinations on time before departure;
3. Be covered by health and travel insurance for the duration of the programme (available from EIL, if required);
4. Read and follow the official safety advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs related to the country I am travelling to;
5. Read and follow EIL general safety advice (in predeparture handbook);
6. Have a valid passport (valid for at least 6 months after departure date) and obtain a Visa if required;
7. Get information on how to protect my social welfare rights while working in a developing country. This is available from Comhlámh: [Stuart@comhlamh.org](mailto:Stuart@comhlamh.org) or 01 478 3490
8. Attend an EIL predeparture workshop;
9. Read and respect the Dochas Code of Conduct on Images and Messages (in predeparture handbook);
10. Read and follow EIL Child Protection advice (in predeparture handbook);
11. Fill out and send the Garda vetting form back to EIL;
12. Read the Comhlámh Volunteer Charter (included in your pack) and return the included signed sheet (p. 31)
13. I accept that EIL has the right to cancel my programme if I do not comply with the above conditions;

Date

Name

Signature