

# How to write an article

## Dissemination Project

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### 1. List potential topics

There are many topic opportunities but it has to tell something about your EVS programme.

Examples of topics are:

- A typical day as an EVS volunteer
- Your project
- Lifestyle in Denmark
- Thoughts on how it is to live in another country
- Danish norms and culture
- Thoughts on why you chose an EVS programme

### 2. Brainstorm your topics

In order to write a coherent and concise article, you need to narrow the topic. This will give you something more specific to write about, which will make for a more interesting article. Ask yourself these questions:

- What interests you about this topic?
- What do you want people to know about this topic?
- Will people find this topic interesting to read about?
- Is there an audience for this topic?

### 3. Choose a topic you are passionate about

You should care about the topic you choose to write about. Your enthusiasm will show in your writing and will be much more engaging for your readers. Your goal is to convey enough passion that your readers think the topic in your article is worth caring about.

### 4. Find a unique angle

When you have decided on your topic and you have narrowed it down to something more specific, think about how you can make your article stand out. If you are writing an article about something that other people are also writing about, try to be unique in how you approach the material. You should add to the conversation, not exist alongside it.

## 5. Get familiar with structure and flow

To write a great article demands that you observe the correct structure and construct it in a way that flows well. A typical structure is to have an introduction, a body and a conclusion. It is essential that you choose your title and paragraph subheadings wisely, write at least two body paragraphs and tie things in a nice, neat bow with a conclusion.

Pictures and other graphic elements are also essential for a good article structure. Therefore, it is nice to include some pictures relevant for the topic, for example a picture of your project.

Remember that there are logo requirements regarding the dissemination project. You must incorporate certain logos in your article structure. You are able to find the logos and requirements [here](#).

## 6. Write your article

You are now ready to write the article. It will be really cool to write it in Danish but of course English is an option as well. When the article is done, read it a couple of times for spelling mistakes and other grammar errors.

## 7. Publish your article

To fulfill the requirements of a dissemination project, your article has to be published. A local paper near your host family or project might be interested in publishing your article. You can also ask your project if they want to publish it for you on their website. Maybe your sending organisation would like to publish it too. There are many opportunities to publish your article so you should be able to find a way which suits the topic of the article.

## 8. Send your project to Dansk ICYE

When the article is done, you must also send it to [praktikant@icye.dk](mailto:praktikant@icye.dk). It will be uploaded to [www.bricksite.com/icyecamps](http://www.bricksite.com/icyecamps) for the reporting to the EU and for inspiration to other EVS volunteers.

***Remember that this is not a publishing of the article. It is your responsibility that your article will be published elsewhere.***

