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At the beginning of the third year of my Computer Science & Engineering Course, I wanted to implement my theoretical knowledge into practical applications. I wanted to expand my understanding of the world beyond that of my immediate surroundings. I wanted to go to different country, meet different people, to see its beauty, and see the monuments of its history. But I wanted, most of all, to see just how different the world really could be. From within my tame and developing country, I caught only glimpses of the external world.



At the beginning of the year, IAESTEindiaMIT informs students about internships abroad so I applied as I thought it would be a good idea to improve my practical knowledge in combination with getting to know other people from different countries. With the inklings of these thoughts in my mind, I applied as an intern with IAESTE, and opted for a position in Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina. In March I got the confirmation to go there for eight weeks in the summer. It was really like a dream come true.

I was really looking forward to the whole experience and also a little bit curious about visiting BiH. When I arrived at Sarajevo airport, I took the taxi to Mechanical Faculty where local IAESTE members Leo and Zoran was waiting for me and took me up and brought me to my host family.

On 2nd July 2009, I started my work in **Info Studio** d.o.o. They Specialize in Design and development of software products. My mentor was an INFORMATIKA (IT) engineer and he was really good and every time I had a problem, I could ask him for help. Sometimes we worked in our discussion room to understand how design of software should be done keeping in mind the



necessary basics requirements. I got to know a lot of nice people at Info Studio d.o.o. They were all very helpful and interested in India. I got to work on building an interface for the fiscal printer. It was really interesting work for me to work on the client- server Architecture.

It was really interesting to see different areas in BiH and see how people live there. IAESTE BiH also organized a lot of activities during the weeks and on the weekends for all the trainees from different countries. There were trainees from China, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, Mongolia, Oman, Poland, Spain, Syria, Serbia, Turkey, Tunisia and Scotland. We spent a lot of time together. Sometimes we met and talked about our experiences in BiH and about the cultural and other differences in our own countries.



IAESTE BiH has done a really great job and I am really thankful to them. They made it possible to have a great time in BiH. It would be unfair to thank all the IAESTE people in Banjaluka especially Jasna, Nemanja and Bojan, with whom I spent more time and came to know that they are great people. They deserve more than thanksgiving. And people from Sarajevo, They are really great. Leo, Zoran, Ornella, Belma, medina and Hana, they are fabulous, Amazing.

Finally I must say the summer in BiH was a great and if I get some time to visit BiH I will be running barefooted.