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Zemgale NGO Centre and its **EuroDesk newsletter** is a provider in the field of opportunities for young people (13-30 years) in Latvia. EuroDesk is funded by the **European Commission**. Whether you are looking for *volunteering opportunities with Erasmus+, trainings, youth exchanges or traineeships* - our approach is to give you selected information: short, current and useful.

All opportunities mentioned below apply for people whose residence is in **Latvia**.



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What is the European Solidarity Corps?



The **European Solidarity Corps** is the European Union initiative, which creates opportunities for young people to volunteer or work in projects - in their own country or abroad - that benefit communities and people around Europe.

Participants aged 18-30 can be placed with a project either for volunteering (**E**uropean **V**olunteer **S**ervice) or for a traineeship, an apprenticeship or a job for a period between 2 weeks and 12 months usually located within the European Union Member States, however not limited to only these. Young people can get involved in a broad range of topics such as *education, health, social integration, support for migrants and refugees, environmental protection, and plenty of other exciting and challenging areas.*

The skills that you gained during your volunteer service will be **certificated** with a **YouthPass!**

After completing a simple registration process on the **European Youth Portal**, European Solidarity Corps participants could be *selected and invited* to join a project **or apply** for a specific project themselves.

With this program there is no sending organisation needed, all costs

We gave you a selection of possible placements for your EVS, but to see all available opportunities for **ESC** you have to **register first**. But don't worry, it doesn't take long! :)

Long-term Volunteer Service

(7 - 12 months)

Children & Young People North Down YMCA 2020 ESC, Ireland

Duration: **01/10/2020 to 30/09/2021 (12 months)**

Project Description: We are seeking an enthusiastic volunteer to support: - Youth work programmes, both centre-based & outreach work. Also, targeted programmes providing support for young people to address issues of employability, health, inclusion & community relations. - Afterschools activities for 4-11 year olds, helping staff with organising and running the activities, supporting children with homework and with leisure activities. - Community programmes, such as the Harbour Renewal Project & BME Advocacy work, providing information & support to those people living in the Harbour Ward of Bangor with a particular focus on young people, families & senior citizens. - Crèche support, working with children from 0-4 years old. We ask the Volunteers to help with the delivery of all aspects of the programme; such as planning, preparation, leading & developing programmes to people of all different ages and abilities.

Application deadline: 13.09.2020

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

Solidarity and Volunteering to grow together AICEM, Italy

Duration: **01/01/2021 to 31/10/2021 (10 months)**

Project Description: AICEM is looking for 6 volunteers, 2 people in 3 different venues: - 2 in Brattirò di Drapia (Calabria) - 2 in Acerra (Naples) - 2 in Sassari (Sardinia) Activities that will be implemented in the different venues by the volunteers: Support to the management of the association's activities and in particular: communication, planning and coordination activities and training activities Implementation of educational activities aimed at young people and children in relation to the themes of: human rights, fight against bullying, sustainability, active citizenship, correct lifestyles. Support to the association's activities at schools and community centers in the area Organization of linguistic tandems with the local population Support for the organization of local events, including sports, aimed at promoting social inclusion and participation among young people in the suburbs

Application Deadline: 21.09.2020

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

ESC volunteer for Blue Ribbon Foundation, Finland

Duration: in the period of **01/10/2020** to **31/07/2021 (10 months)**

Project description: Sininauhasäätiö defends the rights of the people in the weakest position, for example homeless people, and people with drug or mental health issues. The goal of Sininauhasäätiö is to lower the amount of homelessness, strengthen the drug and mental health services, and assist our clients towards being a part of the society. Our Christian values can be seen in our way of encountering our clients: we believe in human dignity and meeting people with respect. Sininauhasäätiö is working with housing first - principle: everyone has a right to one's own home. As a volunteer in this project you help in daycenters by meeting homeless people, play games with them, listen and give time and care and help in the kitchen. You can volunteer as a support person for our customers, help in sorting donated clothes, help in events and fundraising campaigns, translate in the tasks with the new immigrants, help in cooking groups, write stories or blogs in social media. We are always open for your ideas.

Application Deadline: 10.09 2020

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

Youth for the future!, France

Duration: **15/10/2020** to **30/06/2021 (8 months)**

Project description: The Ligue de l'enseignement (Brittany, France) is the coordinating structure of "Youth for the future" project proposed by the professional training center of Ploufragan (CFA –CAMPUS DE L'ARTISANAT). The volunteer will have the opportunity to help the trainees to develop their professional projects and to give them the means to achieve them. Through his or her missions, the volunteer will also contribute to the training center's sustainable development project: 1- By accompanying the students in the realization of their final year project which is on the theme of sustainable development. 2- By discovering the work of the local and ecological association "Asso Vert le Jardin". After that; the volunteer will be able to sensitize and inform the students on sustainable development, by setting up workshops discovered thanks to the association. 3- By creating a file on the theme of sustainable development within the European Union. The volunteer wi

Application Deadline: 28.09.2020

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

European Cultural Heritage United us (ECHUu), Bulgaria

Duration: 20/09/2020 to 19/07/2021 (9 months)

Project description: Documenting and popularizing the treasury of tangible and intangible cultural heritage. Emphasis will be placed specifically on: - promoting the collected materials and acquainting the general public in our country and in other countries on the intangible cultural heritage (on-line and off line activities); - to create a network of organizations working in the field of cultural heritage; - research and analyzing materials.

Trainings for: - interviewing older people - especially those who do not use foreign languages: preliminary research, preparation of questions; predisposition of the interviewees; - work with recording equipment: ZOOM recorder, camera (including mobile phones); - work with audio and video processing software; - work with the mailchimp program for sending newsletters; - work in social networks for planning and organizing an online campaign; - work with Photoshop and Adobe Indesign for preparation of materials for printing, incl. for exhibitions; - Bulgarian language course.

Application Deadline: 13.09.2020

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

Little seeds of solidarity II, Slovakia

Duration: 01/10/2020 to 30/09/2021 (12 months)

Project description: Through this 12-month project (October 2020- September 2021) we would like to give space for the ESC participant in these areas: work directly with kids in the kindergarten by organizing educational activities and games, English language support for children and staff, bring ideas and work on participant own project which will be addressed to children development, help with community events organizing, help with administrative work in office and cooperation with members of the team of RC Krtko, cooperate on other activities of RC Krtko with the staff. Hosting organization DC Hlavička is a small kindergarten in the heart of Bratislava that is situated in the family house. It offers a family atmosphere in which small kids are being taught how to be independent, respectful to their friends and environment. It also welcomes children with other mother tongues than Slovak. Hosting org.: DS Hlavička, Coordinating org.: Bratislavské dobrovoľnícke centrum (BDC) – Bratislava Volunteer Centre.

Application Deadline: 06.09.2020

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

Short term Volunteer Service

(1 - 6 months)

Volunteering in cultural centre, Italy

Duration: 01/01/2020 to 31/01/2021 (3 weeks)

Project description: Associazione Culturale Link is an association that wishes to promote non formal education, intercultural learning activities and human rights education. Link is a sending and hosting organisation for EVS and youth exchanges. The main activities of the project will be: 1 - reconstruction and cleaning of green areas of public library, removal of weeds, making of the wood stuff and furniture for the garden, cleaning of spaces and take care of the vegetable garden; 2 - support for the organization of cultural events to be carried out on the site: concerts, book presentations, events related to poetry, theater and movie (space preparation, event management, promotion, etc.); 3 - support in the promotion activities of the territory: walks for the knowledge of flora and fauna, visits to archaeological sites, organization of educational workshops for schools.

Application Deadline: None

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

Haltegriff – assisting youth in their work and life skills training, Austria

Duration: in the period of 01/02/2021 to 30/09/2021 (6 months)

Project description: Haltegriff, an Institution specialized in Youth Welfare, offers living and work training for young people with NEET-status (Not in Education, Employment or Training) aged 16 to 21, who for various reasons can't live at home. "Haltegriff" aims at encouraging young people regarding a long-term professional and personal independence. Emphasis is on knowledge transfer concerning skills that help stabilizing the young persons and thus, preparing them for a long-term integration into the labour market. Haltegriff provides job training and living facilities for 16 young people. The teams are formed of qualified people coming from different backgrounds (pedagogy, educational work, social work). The team takes care of youngsters from day to day. Individual support, prevention work and crisis intervention are provided. Group activities such as hiking, outdoor days, are organised. Additionally, a broad range of psychotherapeutic support is offered for youngsters. Minimum age is 21, at least basic knowledge of German is needed.

Application deadline: 15.09.2020

Application via: send a CV and motivation letter with a subject "Haltegriff" to euinfo@logo.at

Education. Sport. Community., Romania

Duration: **01/10/2020 to 31/10/2020 (1 month)**

Project description: Our project goal is to vitalize the local communities with sport and non-formal educative activities orientated towards social excluded, youth and kids, from Campeni village and poor neighborhoods in Craiova Develop practical socio-educative animation facilitating skills by engaging in structured, high quality solidarity focused, sport and educational activities Increasing quality and number of tools and methods used to raise vulnerable pupils' interest for learning; Reducing social exclusion, discrimination and racism among volunteers by using intercultural dialogue Improve learning abilities for daily life and formal system including better knowledge of English, self esteem, self trust by using reflection and awareness of learning experiences; Increase their daily abilities for a healthy lifestyle by practicing more sport and being aware to their nutrition habits.

Application Deadline: None

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

CONCF-001-ESC, France

Duration: **29/09/2020 to 15/10/2020 (2 week)**

Project Description: Stand up for green heritage of the Frayse domain, an exceptional natural site close to Bordeaux! The workcamp will be about the organization and the environment of the Frayse surroundings (www.domaine-de-la-frayse.fr). The purpose is to support the connection between participants and residents, as well as potential school groups. This site is open to the public throughout the whole year. UFCV team, a long-standing partner association, will integrate you easily to the program. You will participate in the renovation of an educational walking trail in the area. The tasks include clearing the path, constructing signs and establishing boundary markers. The aim is to create a playful and also educational way to acquaint visitors with nature by following the path.

Application Deadline: None

Application via: Solidarity Corps Portal

Training Courses

Erasmus+ supports the professional development of **youth workers** through training or networking periods abroad. Periods abroad (up to 2 weeks) can consist of **training courses, study visits, job shadowing or observation periods** at relevant organisations and more.



Before applying, please **contact the National Agency** of your residence country to check if it is involved in this concrete project and committed to cover travel costs. Learn about possible participation fee and other relevant rules.

For more opportunities: www.salto-youth.net

„Special Puzzle“, Partnership-building Activity

23-27 November 2020 | Vilnius, Lithuania

Contact-making seminar for organisations working with youth with special needs under the guidelines of the European Solidarity Corps (ESC) and Erasmus+ (Youth) programs. Aim: To encourage and support organisations that work with young people with special needs to develop inclusive projects under the guidelines of the European Solidarity Corps (ESC) and Erasmus+ (Youth) programs. The activity will bring together different representatives of organisations, working directly with young people with special needs. We invite both newcomers and more experienced organisations to the program. In three full working days, we will provide the space and inspiration to network and to discover the factors which compose good, inclusive projects. It will be the start of planning projects together.

Recommended for: Youth workers, Youth leaders, Youth project managers, Youth coaches

Application deadline: 30.09.2020

Application via: salto-youth.net

Cities Youth Council Study Visit (Big Cities or Capitals)

14-18 December 2020 | Paris, France

Participants are coming from municipalities across Europe to share practice on how youth councils work, the importance of lobbying and to learn from others about how best to tackle their priorities. There will be structured visits to different examples in Paris, and a chance to reflect and share in an international group. The aim is to support participants to improve youth participation in their own European cities.

There will be a chance to meet representatives from youth councils from across Europe. The Study visit is set up to allow interaction, learning, sharing, questions, and space for reflection. All participants will have the chance to understand the current context and strategy of the Conseil de Jeunesse de Paris, as the capital city and an independent region of France, and compare and contrast with their own.

Recommended for: Youth workers, Youth leaders, Youth project managers, Youth policy makers

Application deadline: 19.09.20

Application via: salto-youth.net

Open Youth Work Conference 2020

22-24 November 2020 | Dornbirn, Austria

The 14th "bOJA Fachtagung" is a can't miss event for many Austrian Youth Workers that takes place in a different region of Austria each year. In cooperation with Erasmus+ in 2020 German Speaking Youth Workers are again invited to take part as well.

The 14th bOJA fachtagung will ask the question: What will the working world of tomorrow look like and what can open youth work achieve for young people?

Crisis on, crisis off. Corona, digitalisation, artificial intelligence and the global economic crisis. And in between the young people at the transition between school and work. Under high pressure, in constant danger of getting lost, of not being able to get started, of not being able to develop their talents. Together we should resolutely oppose this, orientate ourselves towards resources and potential and use all our possibilities to enable young people to find their way. Youth has energy, youth has courage and youth has a view of the future.

Recommended for: Youth workers, Trainers, Youth leaders, Youth project managers, Youth policy makers, Youth coaches, Youth researchers

Application deadline: 18.06.2020

Application via: salto-youth.net

Democracy Reloading: Training Module A

30 November - 4 December 2020 | Vinci (Empoli), Italy

This Module will take place in Vinci (Empoli, near Florence), Italy between 30th November and 4th December 2020 with the following objectives:

- to understand the content and the functions of the online Toolkit,
- to identify approaches how the Toolkit can support municipality officers and how to integrate it into different educational activities,
- to share and collect good practices how Erasmus + Youth projects can support municipalities in developing youth participation in decision-making,
- to contribute to the development of national plans in promoting and integrating the online Toolkit

Application Deadline: 05.08.2020

Application via: salto-youth.com

Traineeships

Solstice Blends Digital Marketing Internship , Netherlands

Duration: 4 to 6 months, starting mid of September 2020

Description:

We're a Dutch plant-based brand on a mission to help people eat more plants. Our focus at Solstice Blends is on formulating and perfecting a range of plant-based functional beverages infused with medicinal plants, superfoods and tonic herbs. Wherever possible, we have used the ancient healing recipes from Ayurveda, Mayan, Amazonian and other indigenous cultures. Our main range of products are 6 functional coffee-free lattes.

Responsibilities:

- Manage and grow social media channels
- Post pre-approved social media posts on select online platforms (i.e. Instagram, Facebook)
- Track comments that require feedback to build an online following and cultivate a sense of community
- Monitor and track engagement across all channels
- Prepare weekly analytics report on the performance of posts and campaigns

- Work with CEO to develop new online website & shop
- Deliver research that could improve online sales
- Set up email marketing campaigns

Experience Required:

- Bachelors in Communications, Business, Marketing or Social Media, advanced degree is preferred
- At least one-year experience in marketing or social media in B2B environment
- An understanding for audience development and growth
- Real interest for Instagram stories
- Passionate about inspiring others to live a healthy lifestyle

Application via: Email your CV & Motivation Letter to olive@solsticeblends.com, and state how your skills, studies or interests can fit and add value to Solstice Blends

Youth Exchanges

Youth exchanges allow groups of **young people (13 - 30 age)** from **different countries** to meet, live together and work on shared projects for short periods. Youth exchanges take place **outside the school environment**. On a youth exchange, you can expect to participate in activities such as *workshops, exercises, debates, role-plays, outdoor activities* and more.



Participants learning experiences are recognised through a **Youthpass**. Youth exchanges happen all around Europe all the time, the best way to be informed about new youth exchanges or any other youth work opportunities is through **Facebook groups** such as "**Youth Exchanges for Europeans**" or "**Erasmus+ Projects**".