

INFO-PACK

EASTERN PARTNERSHIP VOLUNTEERING PROGRAM

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**BUCHAREST
ROMANIA**

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**EUROPEAN
SOLIDARITY
CORPS**

C.O.S.I.

Civic Orientation and Social Integration



About the project



Europe cannot afford wasted talent, social exclusion and youth disengagement; therefore EPVP 2.0 project accounts to ESC statement that **youngsters need easily accessible opportunities to engage in solidarity actions**, enabling them to act for the benefit of community as active citizenship while gaining valuable experience and competences, thereby improving their further employability.

Thus, the project is focusing on **five objectives**:



1. Involve 6 NEET volunteers in COSI and its' solidarity activities; hence, **supporting them to become active, responsible, independent, development-seeker citizens**; and equip them with further labor market and/or entrepreneurship competences.

2. **Improving COSI's target group knowledge/attitude** regarding aspects such as: Human rights, sense of solidarity, volunteering and active citizenship; as well as inclusion, inter-cultural dialogue and tolerance; and combating: stereotypes and prejudices, racism and xenophobia, discrimination, social inequality, poverty and exclusion by conducting 10 monthly raise awareness campaigns/humanitarian actions (according to UN calendar).



3. **Increase the participation level of Romanian young NEETs** in E+, ESC, EU AID, EYE programs, by providing accessible and effective growth opportunities for at least 100 beneficiarie from the community, to gain useful experience and develop their competences, as well as facilitating their active citizenship attitude.

4. **Grow the awareness and participation enthusiasm level** of youngsters/students in Bucharest/Ifov regarding E+, ESC, EU AID, EYE programs.



5. **Strengthening inter-cultural dialogue** by building attitudes of tolerance and acceptance among local Romanian, EU and EaP youngsters, discovering common roots, overcoming prejudices and stereotypes according to EU value.

This project is a continuation and improved version of Eastern Partnership Volunteering Program EVS project and all the activities can be seen [HERE](#).



Local

ACTIVITIES

1. 10 Campaigns according to UN Calendar

Excluding first month dedicated to community integration, team-building, learning planning, and last month focused on the evaluation and follow-up, we will implement 10 Monthly Campaigns with specific topics. For e.g. as August contains the **International Youth Day**, we will conduct the 'Youth August' Campaign; where all activities, events, workshops, posters, videos, etc. (online and offline) in August will be related to Youth topic. The monthly topics will be decided among the whole COSI team.

2. **5 promotional workshops of ESC, E+, EYE** in faculties/high-schools in Bucharest with at least 120 young participants; and other events where volunteers will share their ESC experience, promote the Programs and COSI's opportunities for local youngsters;

3. **6 Monthly inter-cultural evenings** by promoting each country's cultural aspects among foreign/local COSI members and local community;

4. **6 Own idea projects**, where each volunteer will have full autonomy on the initiative they want to follow and implement, in which area and time/space, and will benefit from the staff and other volunteers full support.

5. **6 Mixing competences activities**, where each volunteer will share with COSI team and beneficiaries an area which they have expertise/passion about.

6. Weekly social media day.



International

1. The coordinator will offer volunteers all the knowledge regarding ESC and ErasmusPlus programs and how-to build and prepare a national team of participants. Afterwards, we will empower and support each volunteer to *manage two projects each*, in all stages, from: opportunity dissemination, participants' selection, building the national team, preparation meetings, logistics, mobility support, to: evaluation, dissemination and follow-up workshop.

2. Two ErasmusPlus *Training course* projects will be implemented in Bucharest and all volunteers will be involved in the organizers team; work on the project implementation (especially budget, applications, contracts, hotel, catering, travel, schedule, etc.) and facilitate: energizers, evaluation, trips, and even activities.

3. Volunteers will learn how to write a project application until 01 December 2020, afterwards they will *write their own project proposal*.



WANTED

6 VOLUNTEERS (18 - 30 YEARS OLD)

- 3 volunteers from EU countries
 - 3 volunteers from EaP region (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine)
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PARTICIPANTS' PROFILE:

- Conventionally unemployed, opportunity-seekers or voluntary NEETs youngsters;
- Available to commit in the full duration of the project;
- Committed to promote Human rights, sense of solidarity and inter-cultural dialogue, volunteering and active citizenship;
- Eager to foster social inclusion, acceptance and tolerance and reduce: stereotypes/prejudices, racism, discrimination, social inequality, poverty;
- Keen to develop personally and professionally within a multicultural environment;
- Motivated to acquire project management/writing, ICT and social media proficiency and events organizing skills;
- Able to impact COSI development and further the community with passion and civic spirit;
- Curious about Romanian, EU and EaP cultural diversity;
- Speaks English (at least conversational level).

REWARD:

- 240 Euro - Monthly income (pocket and food money);
- Nice apartment with shared bedrooms (two people by gender);
- International transportation and local Metro card;
- Cigna international health insurance for the whole period;
- Romanian online language course;
- Weekly mentoring meetings;
- Youthpass and VOLUNTPass certificates;
- Pre-departure, on-arrival and mid-term trainings;
- Support for VISA issuing process;
- Friendly team, fun atmosphere and a lot of learning.

LEARNING OUTCOME

SKILLS:

- Personal autonomy and independence;
- Projects/campaigns coordinating and management: problem solving, analytical and critical thinking, effectively mobilize/select resources, decision-making, plan, organize and persist with the learning objectives, evaluate, seek support, reflect on the learning growth and personal development, identify own capacities, deal with complex tasks;
- ICT advanced usage for learning progress and objectives accomplishment, social media (Facebook page/groups, Instagram, Youtube, Twitter, LinkedIn, Youtube); digital media content creation in Canva, Crello, Kahoot, Mentimeter (and other) software: posters, videos, and editing materials;
- Presentation, facilitation and public speaking;
- Learn and work in a multicultural team as well as individually;
- Act as responsible citizen and fully participate in the civic/social life and engage effectively with others for the sustainable development of the community.

KNOWLEDGE

- Key concepts such as: European common values, Human Rights, sense of solidarity, volunteering and active citizenship, intercultural dialogue, social inclusion and tolerance;
- How to implement a successful raise awareness/humanitarian campaign, disseminate the outcomes and ensure its' visibility;
- In-depth understanding of ESC, EYE, and Erasmus+ programs in all life cycle: writing applications, managing, coordinating national teams, and evaluating the impact, reports;
- How to write a project grant; conduct the participant's selection, coordinate and prepare the national team, evaluate and disseminate the outcomes, design follow-up, evaluate;
- Multicultural and socioeconomic dimensions of EU societies and how cultural identities contribute to European identity;
- Complex/effective communication in English and basic communication in Romanian languages.

ATTITUDES

Respect for Human Rights as a basis of Democracy and willingness to promote its' values;

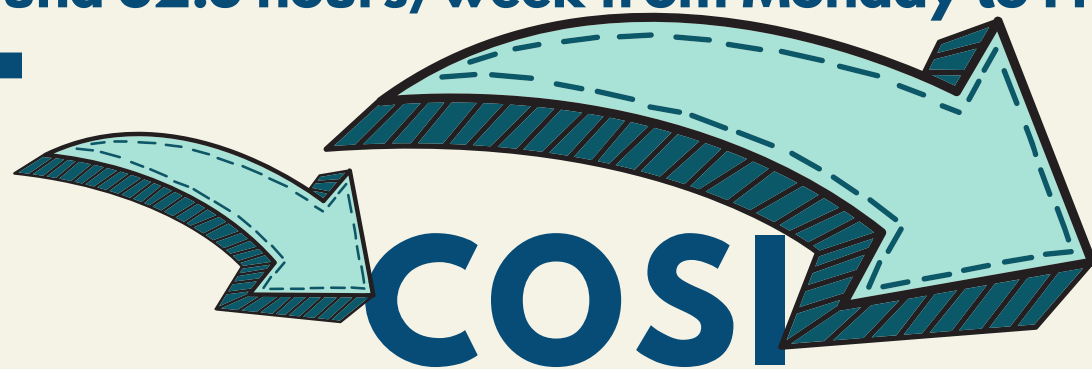
- Positive attitude and curiosity on the participating countries' multilingual context, language similarities and backgrounds;
- Critical and confident usage of digital platforms;
- Identify and setting goals, self-motivation, develop resilience and confidence in pursuing the progress plan;
- Problem solving attitude in the learning process and daily tasks and ability to overcome obstacles and cope with changes, enthusiasm to apply former experience in daily tasks and curiosity in looking for development opportunities;
- Support for social and cultural diversity, gender equality and social cohesion, culture of peace and non-violence;
- Enthusiasm in empowering youngsters.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Working hours		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Starting time	Ending time	Description of foreseen activities	Description of foreseen activities	Description of foreseen activities	Description of foreseen activities	Description of foreseen activities	
10:30	13:30	Romanian lessons	Erasmus+ project coordinating Opportunity dissemination (info-pack), participants' selection, building the Romanian team, preparation/meetings, logistic and mobility support, evaluation, dissemination and follow-up workshop Erasmus+/ESC project writing 12.2020 - 04.2021 All volunteers will be divided in 3 mixed teams of two according to their preferred project topic and each team will write an E+ or ESC grant application for April 2021 Deadline.	Erasmus+ project coordinating Opportunity dissemination (info-pack), participants' selection, building the Romanian team, preparation/meetings, logistic and mobility support, evaluation, dissemination and follow-up workshop Erasmus+/ESC project writing 12.2020 - 04.2021 All volunteers will be divided in 3 mixed teams of two according to their preferred project topic and each team will write an E+ or ESC grant application for April 2021 Deadline.	Raise awareness and Humanitarian aid Campaigns Brainstorm, plan, design and implementing the monthly Campaigns according to UN International Days Calendar among the whole COSI team staff.	Raise awareness and Humanitarian aid Campaigns Brainstorm, plan, design and implementing the monthly Campaigns according to UN International Days Calendar among the whole COSI team staff.	
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14:30	18:00	COSI Organizational meeting Brainstorming, planning the week activities, tasks, dividing roles among ESC volunteers, local volunteers and staff	Social Media Day Working on EPVP 2.0 project and ESC program visibility and online dissemination through: project Facebook, YouTube and Instagram pages, (sharing pictures, videos, vlogs, posters, live videos from our events/activities and ESC program related), ESC HUB administration	Own Idea project Day 04.2020 – 01.2021 Each volunteer will have full autonomy on the initiative they want to follow and implement, in which area and time/space, and will benefit from the staff and other volunteers full support. ESC Follow-up 02 – 04.2021 Sum-up the further professional expectations and build on future steps after the project: education, employment, entrepreneurship or other programs. In this period, each volunteer will individually assess their career plan and take action to achieve it.	Brainstorming, planning, preparing and facilitating: - 5 promotional workshops of ESC, E+, EYE in faculties/high-schools in Bucharest/Ilfov; - 2 ESC promotional live webinars; - 6 Monthly inter-cultural evenings; - 6 Mixing competences activities; - Other EU Days and/or ESC promotional events.	Raise awareness and Humanitarian aid Campaigns design and implementation according to UN International Days Calendar Mentoring meeting Reflection and self-assessment of the project, life management, local community/COSI organizational culture integration, conflict management, learning process, Youthpass and weekly reports.	

Volunteers will work around 32.5 hours/week from Monday to Friday with free weekends and 2 free days/month.

ABOUT



COSI

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Join our team by sending the CV and Motivational letter to asociatiacosi@gmail.com until 29 February!