

European Solidarity Corps - Call for volunteers 2024-2025

Application form for candidate volunteers for long term placements in the European Office of Kiwanis in Ghent, Belgium, in the framework of the European Commission's programme European Solidarity Corps (ESC)

* Indicates required question

It will take probably +/- 1 hour to fill in this application form. We are aware of the fact that we ask some questions that require some reflection.

As with the placement, we also will do an investment, we want to be sure to recruit motivated volunteers. At the end, in case you would be selected, you would come for a longer time to Belgium, and it is in both our interests to have a good project together and a good match between volunteer and organisation.

Already in advance, thank you for taking your time to fill this in!

First some personal information

1. Family name

2. Given name(s)

3. Address (street)

4. Number

5. Postal code

6. Town

7. Country of Residence *

8. Mobile n° *

9. Email *

10. Facebook

11. What's App

12. Instagram

13. Other social media

14. Date of birth *

Example: 7 January 2019

15. Place of birth

16. Nationality *

17. Gender

Mark only one oval.

Female

Male

Prefer not to say

Other: _____

ESC in our organisation

Please take some time to fill in this section. Based in your answers we will make a short list of all the candidates.

18. What's your interest and motivation to do volunteering within the European Solidarity Corps (ESC)?

19. What do you know about Kiwanis? How much do you (not yet) know about Kiwanis?

20. Why would you like to do volunteering in our organisation?

21. What is your motivation to do THIS specific ESC volunteering project? (and why not any other volunteering project)

22. From all the potential tasks and activities we have listed, what would you like to work on? What would you like to do? What are your preferences concerning the working package?

23. If you could make up your own week programme, how would it look like? What would be your preference and balance between the different tasks you could work on?

24. If you would come to Belgium as ESC participant in our organisation, what would be your preferred duration of the project (what would be the best scenario?) *

Mark only one oval.

- 6 months
7 months
8 months
9 months
10 months
11 months
12 months

25. If you would come to Belgium as ESC participant in our organisation, what would be your preferred and ideal starting month of the project? (what would be the best scenario?) *

Mark only one oval.

- September 2024
October 2024
November 2024
December 2024
January 2025
February 2025

26. We work in the European office with an international staff. We support our districts and volunteers, but as staff in the office, we don't work directly with children. The project does not include working directly with young kids, but we work with a rather older generation of volunteers who do actions to support kids. Do you fully understand this concept?

About staying abroad for a longer time

27. What will you miss the most when you are coming for a long period in Belgium?

28. What do you hope you can gain from staying a long time in Belgium, in our organisation?

29. What languages do you speak?

Mark only one oval per row.

Table with 5 columns: Language, Not at all, Basics, Enough, Good, Mother tongue. Rows include English, French, German, Italian.

30. Other languages (please indicate also your level)

31. Working in our organisation as a volunteer is the core of the ESC, while also the social life, living in another country, is an important feature of the European Solidarity Corps. How do you fill normally your days when you are at home? What do you think you would like to do in your free time after the working hours? What are your interests?

32. We rent an apartment, with 2 separate sleeping rooms, a common living room, kitchen, bathroom. The project with 2 volunteers does not only include doing tasks from 9 to 5, but also the experience of living together and having a social life with another international volunteer in the same apartment, and find leisure time activities, learning the language,... What is important to you for agreeing with the other volunteer that you will live with together in the apartment? How do you see this?

More about you...

The following information is important to see if we can provide the best "match" with your profile and what we can offer. There are no good or bad answers. We don't look for the "best" volunteer, we look for the best match where we can mutually learn and benefit from the project in both directions.

33. Do you work, study... (specify, please)?

34. What is your highest diploma?

35. Did you follow courses next to school?(if yes, please specify)

36. If we would ask your best friend to describe you, your personality, your character, who you are. According to you, what would be the answer?

37. What are your hobbies?

38. Do you have experience in being active in an organisation? Like for example in youth work, a hobby organisation, a sports club,...? If yes, please specify.

39. Do you have experience in being a volunteer? If yes, please specify.

40. Have you already acted as educator, youth leader, trainer, board member, facilitator, organizer,... before for a hobby or a project?

41. Do you have previous international or intercultural experiences?

42. To which countries did you travel already?

Sending organisation

43. Do you have already a sending organisation? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No Skip to section 8 (Thank you!)

NOT YET, but I know already which organisation I'd like to ask to act as sending organisation

44. Name of the sending organisation

45. Contact details of the sending organisation (address, website, facebookpage,...)

46. Contact person in charge of ESC of the Sending organisation (name, email, phone,...)

Thank you!

Thank you for taking your time to fill in this application form.

We will keep you informed about the selection procedure. You might need some patience, but we will keep you informed!

Don't forget to click on the submit-button below!

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