

INFORMATION PACK



EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS – VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITY

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IOANNINA, GREECE

Dear volunteer, this is the official INFOPACK of the European Solidarity
Corps program

YOUTH FOR REFUGEES

**The date of the beginning of your volunteering is 5/5/2021 and the end
is 5/5/2022.**

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WHO WE ARE

The **International Centre for Sustainable Development (ICSD)** is a Non-profit Organisation established in Ioannina, Greece since 2011. With offices both in Ioannina and Athens, the **ICSD** aims to support activities that contribute to sustainable development.

WHAT WE DO

What we do

The **ICSD** supports:

1. projects related to economic development entrepreneurship, regional planning, social and economic development and
2. a significant number of projects related to the support of vulnerable social groups.

All the above is promoted through the following activities:

Consulting: the **ICSD** provides technical advice and information to businesses, agencies, institutions, organisations and young entrepreneurs on topics related to economy, society and the environment.

Erasmus+ and Educational projects: the **ICSD** participates in educational projects and training activities both in Greece and abroad.

National and European programs: the **ICSD** works on a large number of research projects with both national and European partners.

Workshops and conferences: the **ICSD** organises conferences, seminars and workshops.

Volunteering: the **ICSD** in cooperation with the local authorities participate in voluntary actions for the protection of vulnerable social groups and the support of refugees and immigrants.

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Identifier: 2020-3-EL02-ESC11-006591

Organisation: DIETHNES KENTRO GIA TI VIOSIMI ANAPTYXI

Type of the activity: European Solidarity Corps - Volunteering Project

ESC stage duration: 12 months

PROJECT SUMMARY

The European Solidarity Corps project "Youth for Refugees" is seeking to tackle some of the important problems in Greece, problems relating to hosting young refugees. Especially recently that Refugee Flows are increasing. Our organization operates a centre for unaccompanied minors refugees in Ioannina and the volunteers will offer their service supporting our staff and creating new activities for the young people we host, upgrading that way the quality of life of the young minors.

VOLUNTEER PROFILE

The **ICS**D will welcome 4 volunteers between 18 and 30 years old, for a 12 months project. The participants will be from France and Italy.

The volunteers should be interested in working with young refugees. Volunteers should be highly motivated and have the ability to work as part of the Hosting organization team to develop their projects. We expect the applicants to be active and open minded. We would like to host flexible and creative people, interested in European and refugees issues.

OBJECTIVES

1. Provide 40 young refugees (13-17 years old) with opportunities to develop the sense of initiative and confidence for their powers; provide learning space for new knowledge and skills which will help them develop personal and leadership skills;
2. Promote Erasmus Plus Programme as an opportunity for integration of young refugees in the local community;
3. Encourage multicultural learning from both sides (refugees community and Ioannina youth community).
5. Support leisure activities for Refugees as it is important to have the right to play and develop emotionally through sports exercise etc.

MAIN ACTIVITIES OF THE VOLUNTEER

- Organize and implement activities that are interesting, educational and fun for the young refugees.
- Exchange ideas and stories, and learn from cultures of other countries.
- Participate in shaping events and workshops for awareness
- Use your volunteer skills to help young refugees to be part of the local community.
- Support young minors to develop their self confidence and independence.
- Be a member of a team and plan together.
- Organize workshops, events
- Work on the promotion of NGOs` FB-group, web-site, Internet radio Space and E-magazine;

LOCATION

The project will take place in the city of Ioannina, Greece. Ioannina, often called Yannena within Greece, is the capital and largest city of the Ioannina regional unit and Epirus. Epirus is an administrative region in the north-west part of Greece with a population of 167,901 according to the 2011 census. Ioannina is located 410 km northwest of Athens, 260 kilometers southwest of Thessaloniki, and 80 km east of the port of Igoumenitsa in the Ionian Sea.

The prefecture of Ioannina, like most of the Greek mainland, is not as popular as the islands among tourists. However, besides the city [Ioannina](#), there are a number of attractions in the area, including:

- A few kilometres south of the city is the Vrellis wax statue museum, displaying scenes from Greek history.
- The Dodoni oracle and archaeological site with amphitheatre.
- The Vikos–Aoos National Park, including the Vikos gorge, through which the Voidomatis river flows.
- The Zagori villages, partly in the Vikos-Aoos National Park.
- Papingo, one of the Zagoria villages, a popular starting point for hiking and mountaineering.
- Metsovo, in winter a ski resort.
- The caves of Perama, a few kilometres northeast of Ioannina.
- The monument in Zalongo for the women of Souli.
- The Kalpaki War Museum.



ACCOMMODATION

The host organization is renting an apartment or house where participants can live comfortably. The apartment/house includes a bathroom, a kitchen and everything needed for a comfortable living. Each volunteer has his/her own room. Electricity, water, an internet connection will be covered by the hosting organization.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

Each month volunteers receive pocket money and money for food.

Food: Volunteers can cook their own meals in their flat.

Pocket money: The hosting organization gives the pocket money to the volunteers on a monthly basis (on the 1st of the month as an advance payment).

Each volunteer receives 252 euro every month, 152 euro for pocket money and 100 euro for food.

TRAVEL BUDGET

The best way to travel to Ioannina is by airplane. There are certain flights throughout the week that get to Ioannina, with a small stop in Athens. From Athens you can get another flight to Ioannina, or arrive to Ioannina by bus. A flight of course is always preferable.

The **ICSD** reimburses your actual costs, with the presentation of travel invoices. If there is any confusion or misunderstanding about the financial issues of the project, please email us directly at icsdeu@gmail.com.

Value for each country, round trip	
France	275€
Italy	275€

We recommend that you **save all the tickets**, receipts, boarding passes, and travel documents, relating with your trip. **The absence of one of those documents in the original version will make the reimbursements not possible.** Travel refunds will be made when we receive all original tickets and receipts on paper, then we will make the transfer corresponding to the amount presented on the invoices/receipts.

If your travel costs exceed the official limits, the reimbursement will be limited to the maximum amount of travel costs allocated for each country. If you fail to provide all the necessary travel documents, we will be unable to reimburse you.

STIRRING LIFE

Full-time support for our volunteers includes a weekly schedule, Internet access, and time for the language course, time for consultation with the coordinator and mentor, evaluation meetings, free time, personal development and intercultural education, etc. The volunteers keep in touch with the hosting and sending organization. The hosting organization will ensure the participation of the volunteers in the on-arrival training and mid-term evaluation.

INSURANCE

We recommend that all participants from partner countries bring the European Health Insurance Card (please check the expiration date). We suggest that each participant arrange their additional travel insurance for the duration of the project, including travel days. The cost of the insurance is at the expense of the participant.

WHAT TO BRING

- Please bring all necessary identity documents (social and medical insurance, ID....);
- Any medicines you might need;
- Don't forget to bring the invoices/travel receipts as soon as you arrive;
- Creative ideas on fun games, educational workshops and interesting activities;
- Camera, laptop, and other equipment that may make your life and work easier;
- Good mood and energy!

ADDITIONAL INFO

The emergency number in Greece is 100(police).

The call for an ambulance is 166.

Of the fire department is 911.

Currency: The official currency in Greece is EURO (€).

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Here you can find the contacts of the hosting organization ICSD.

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If you have any questions or suggestions, feel free to contact us!

**See you
soon!**

Warm regards,

Stefanos Panakoulis

