

## 2013-FR-148 CONCORDIA Rhône-Alpes

### EVS project:

#### Communication and support for the workcamps season

Concordia is a French national non-governmental and non-profit making organization, founded in 1950 by English, German and French youngsters. Their aim was to enhance the values of tolerance and peace after the 2<sup>nd</sup> world war by organizing international workcamps of young volunteers.

#### The main objectives of Concordia are the following:

- Education in helping young people to grow up by acquisition of collective life.
- Culture in favoring the youth exchanges on an international level, always emphasizing the values of peace, friendship and mutual respect.
- Social in taking part in concrete actions of solidarity, as well as supporting a civic attitude.
- Social economy in contributing to realization of local development, in favor of the environment, patrimony, tourism and socio-educational animation.

The Paris head office supports the eight regional offices activities in the Alps, Auvergne, Aquitaine, Bretagne, Normandy, Picardy, South-Southwest and Ile-de-France.

Concordia has the approval of the French Ministry of Youth and Sport and the Ministry of the Environment.

#### Project environment

The office of Concordia Rhône-Alpes is situated in Lyon, the 3<sup>rd</sup> biggest city of France, at the East. Lyon benefits from a temperate climate and offers all kinds of services and access to leisure is well developed. It's a city really touristic, with a strong cultural patrimony.

#### Tasks and activities

The volunteer will be asked to support Concordia staff in communication, in order to present and promote Concordia's voluntary service activities. The aim of this project is also to help with the preparation of the workcamps season.

In particular the activities deal with:

##### 1. Communication (all-year long)

- Participate in events promoting voluntary service, and Concordia's activities;
- Present the "Erasmus +" program, and particularly the part for Youths;
- Meet youngsters willing to do an EVS, and talk about your own experience;
- Promoting voluntary service with new tools, to be defined. For Ex: creation of a booklet with records about different voluntary experiences;

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- Be in contact with local partners, to participate in the reinforcement of Concordia's networks. This could help us to create bonds with other structures, with the implementation of new shared activities;
  - Support Concordia's staff in the redaction of the presentation of our actions, and their translation in English, and other little administrative tasks related to external communication.
2. Workcamps season (generally from June to September)
- To assist Concordia's staff during the workcamp season and before, for its preparation. Practical support is needed for various tasks: preparation of material for workcamps (tents, tools...), link with the local communities which hosts the workcamps....
  - To co-lead an international work camp (2 or 3 weeks) after having participated to a specific training (it depends on the volunteer's interest and capacities)

The detailed activities will be defined both by the volunteer and Concordia's staff, according to the volunteer's skills and interests.

## Requirements

- Adaptation, to be communicative and easy to approach to a different audience;
- Speak good English and/or French or to be motivated to learn French;
- Motivation for the themes of communication and international workcamps;
- Availability for a 12 months project starting in beginning of February 2015.

## Practical conditions

- **Working Hours** : The volunteer will work approx. 30 hours per week
- **Working and living conditions**: Accommodation and food will be provided. The volunteer will be accommodated in the Concordia's regional office "House of Volunteers", which is located in Lyon, alongside the office. He/she will have his/her own room and he/she will have common access to the bathroom, kitchen, living room and courtyard. In addition the volunteer will get pocket money (115€ per month). Internet access will be also available.

**Application deadline: 11/08/2014 included**

Please send your CV and motivation letter to:

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NB after receiving the applications, we may arrange Skype/Phone interviews