



Lycée Jean Monnet à Yzeure & CONCORDIA Auvergne - Bring Europe in high school ! -

Concordia

Concordia is a French national non-governmental and non-profit making organisation, founded in 1950 by English, German and French youngsters. Their aim was to enhance the values of tolerance and peace after the 2nd world war by organising 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 favouring 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 the realisation of local development, in favour of the environment, heritage, tourism and socio-educational activities..

The Paris head office supports the 9 regional offices activities i-e the Auvergne, Aquitaine, Brittany, Ile-de-France, Midi-Pyrenees, Normandy, Picardy, Rhône-Alpes and South-East of France.

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

Concordia Auvergne is coordinating this EVS project which will be hosted by the high school Jean Monnet in Yzeure.

The high school "Jean Monnet" in Yzeure

Jean Monnet high school welcomes 1,320 young people doing initial training courses (1060 school students and 260 university-level students) and several hundred interns doing training courses in further education. This structure is made up of 270 members of staff (245 in the high school and 25 in the GRETA).

For many years, Jean Monnet high school has been developing a policy of cultural opening and European mobility. The Art department, in particular applied art in design, as well as the "art profession" centre (glass-making and ironwork) participate greatly in this policy. There are also 2 European departments (BAC PRO in electronics and BAC GENERAL in sciences) which benefit from a training course supported by the English language and the ERASMUS+ programme which supports mobility. The latter is extended across all of the school's training courses for the high school students and soon for the university-level students, for individual and collective mobility opportunities and with various sources of funding (ERASMUS+, Franco-German Administration department, Lefevre bursaries, etc.).

For more information about the school : <http://www.lycees-jeanmonnet-yzeure.fr/>

Project environment

The EVS project will take place in the Auvergne region (centre of France) in the town of Yzeure (12,980 inhabitants), very close to the town of Moulins. Yzeure has a train station which gives easy access to Clermont-Ferrand (capital city of Auvergne) and to Paris. The Auvergne region is famous for its volcanoes and so it is possible to enjoy outdoor activities and hiking.

Even if Yzeure is not a big town it doesn't lack cultural, artistic and outdoor activities. Throughout the year the town holds exhibitions, festivals, concerts and plays and there are many cultural societies. Moreover, its proximity with Clermont-Ferrand and Moulins enables an easy access to a wider range of leisure activities and discoveries.

For more information:

<http://www.ville-yzeure.com/index/index.html>

<http://www.ville-moulins.fr/>

Role of the volunteer

The main role of the volunteer will be to enrich the educational team of the high school and its activities by bringing a European opening.

The volunteer will work in a team with another French volunteer in the organisation in order to develop civic engagement and citizenship in schools.

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However, according to her/his skills and wishes, the volunteer could undertake the following tasks:

- Youth awareness of health risks: prevent youth risk behaviour, give them the keys required for good health.
- Fight against discrimination and promote equality: educating young people against prejudices, highlight cultural diversity, promote the values of equality and secularism and in this way fight against the causes of discrimination.
- Youth awareness of environmental issues: promote citizen behaviour that leads to sustainable development.

This EVS project is part of a bigger action since three others volunteers are going to realise the same project, at the same time in three other high schools in Auvergne. We will encourage the volunteers to meet up in order to share their experiences, ideas and difficulties. These meetings will facilitate the follow up of the project and ensure its success.

Practical conditions

- **Activity period :** From October 2015 to March 2016 (6 months)
- **Working Hours :** The volunteer will work approx. 24 hours per week. The volunteer will not work during the school holidays: 'Toussaint' holiday from 17th October to 2nd November, Christmas holiday from 19th December to 4th January and Winter holiday from 13th February to 29th February.
- **Working and living conditions:** Accommodation will be provided. The volunteer will be housed in the school campus in Yzeure. He/she will have his/her own room, bathroom and kitchen. In addition the volunteer will get pocket money (115€ per month) and 7,5€ a day for the food. The accommodation does not have internet access but this will be available for the volunteer in the school building, out of school hours. The volunteer will also be able to benefit from the canteen service in the school from Monday morning until midday on Friday during term-time. The school is located in the town centre, close to shops and a ten minute walk from the train station. The volunteer will also have a public transport subscription for the surrounding area.
- The volunteer will be individually followed by a **dedicated mentor** from Concordia (organisation that also coordinates the global EVS project).

Deadline

The selection process has to end theoretically mid April, which means we are waiting for your application from now to **April 8th**.

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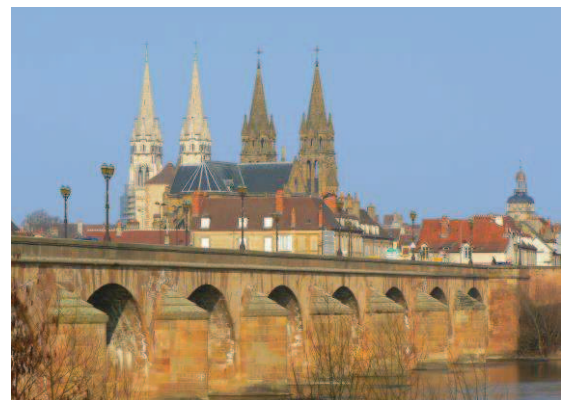
Clermont-Ferrand



Location of Auvergne in France



Volcanoes in Auvergne



Moulins