

# **Toolsheet on** ESC - European **Solidarity Corps**

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# When to use it / Targeted skills:

This tool will enable you to participate in solidarity projects in Europe and beyond, developing transversal and professional skills useful for your future. You will improve your language, intercultural, team-working, problem-solving and active citizenship skills, contributing to the well-being of communities.

### What You'll do:

You will have the opportunity to carry out voluntary work, internships or solidarity projects in a wide variety of fields, such as environment, culture, social inclusion, education and many others, both in your own country and abroad.

### What You'll Need:

- Be aged between 18 and 30.
- Being legally resident in an EU Member State or in one of the programme partner countries.
- Motivation to contribute to society and to gain new experiences.
- Openness to new cultures and environments.
- A registered profile on the European Solidarity Corps portal: <a href="https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity\_en">https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity\_en</a>



### How to use it:

- Register on the ESC Portal: visit the official website of the European Solidarity Corps and create an account. This will allow you to access opportunities and be contacted by organisations.
- Create your profile: fill in your profile carefully, indicating your experience,
  skills, interests and the types of projects you are interested in.
- Explore opportunities: use the portal's search engine to find volunteer projects, internships or solidarity projects that match your interests and skills. You can filter by country, type of activity, duration and sector.
- Apply for projects: once you have found an interesting project, send your application directly through the portal. A CV and motivation letter may be requested.
- Participate in selections: the organisations proposing the projects will review the applications and may contact you for an interview (often online).
- Prepare for departure (if the project is abroad): if your application is accepted, the sending and hosting organisation will provide you with preparation support, including travel, accommodation, insurance and an allowance for daily expenses.
- Carry out your project: immerse yourself in the experience, collaborate with the team and actively contribute to the project objectives.
- Evaluate your experience: at the end of the project, you will have the opportunity to evaluate your experience and will receive a certificate confirming the skills you acquired (Youthpass).



## **Tips for Reuse / Continuation:**

The skills acquired through the ESC are highly employable in the world of work and education. You can use the experience to enrich your CV, to orient yourself towards a career in social work, NGOs or areas related to your interests. Many participants maintain contacts with the solidarity network and continue to be active in promoting voluntary work.

# Languages:

The ESC portal is multilingual, and projects can be carried out in different countries with different languages, often with language support available.



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