



Erasmus+

EVS Project “Volunteer for volunteering”

Association CONCORDIA Auvergne

11 months (October 2018-August 2019) – in Clermont-Ferrand, France

Every year Concordia Auvergne hosts one international volunteer, who becomes part of our team for the duration of his/her EVS project

The coordinating organization: Concordia

Concordia is a national, French, non-governmental and non-profit organisation, founded in 1950 by English, German and French youngsters. Their aim was to enhance the values of tolerance and peace after the Second World War by organising international work camps for young volunteers.

Currently Concordia is organising various volunteering projects in France (international volunteering work camps, hosting EVS volunteers, coordinating “Service Civique” projects) and gives opportunity to french youngsters to volunteer abroad (sending volunteers to EVS, Service Civique International, as well as short term or long term projects with our partners all over the world). Moreover, Concordia is working within Erasmus+ Program, preparing Youth Exchanges and Training Courses and performs functions of EVS coordinating, sending and receiving organisation.

The main objectives of Concordia are the following:

- Education, by helping young people to grow up through the experience of collective living.
- Culture, by favoring 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 engagement.
- Social economy, in contributing to the realisation of local development, in favor of the environment, heritage, tourism and social and educational activities.

Paris head office supports the activities of 10 regional offices, including Concordia Auvergne.

Concordia has the accreditation of the French Ministry of Youth and Sports and the Ministry of the Environment.

More information about Concordia here: www.concordia.fr

Project environment

The office of Concordia Auvergne is located in Clermont-Ferrand, city in the centre of France. The region of Auvergne is mainly famous for the natural park of volcanoes. Clermont-Ferrand and its urban area consists of about 300 000 inhabitants. Its University welcomes around 35 000 students every year, which makes it very dynamic, with a lot of cultural and sportive activities. There are a lot of possibilities for leisure activities (sports, music, theatre, concerts, cinemas).



The region is famous for its beautiful landscapes (old volcanoes, medium altitude mountains, lakes and rivers, etc.). There are a lot of hiking trails in the natural area around the city.

Clermont-Ferrand is also famous for hosting the *Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival*, during the month of February one of the world's leading international festivals for short films. Moreover, there are the corporate headquarters of Michelin, the global tyre company created more than 100 years ago in the city.

Visit these websites to find out more information:

- <http://www.auvergne-tourisme.info/> (Tourism in Auvergne)
- <http://www.clermont-fd.com/> (Tourism in Clermont-Ferrand)
- <http://www.clermont-ferrand.fr/> (Site of the city of Clermont-Ferrand)
- <https://clermont-filmfest.org/> (Film festival of Clermont-Ferrand)

Role and tasks of a volunteer

The aim of this project is to promote volunteering in the region of Auvergne. The main role of the volunteer will be to contribute to the community life and international activity of Concordia Auvergne. The volunteer will promote youth participation, volunteering, develop European projects in the framework of the Erasmus+ and continue to set up international volunteering work camps in the region. He/she will work together with another French volunteer and will become a part of our friendly team.

In particular, the activities will be the following:

- *Developing community life and promote Concordia Auvergne's activities on the regional level:*
 - Participation in different types of events: forums, conferences and festivals to promote international mobility;
 - Active engagement in community life: preparation of monthly newsletters, presentation of Concordia Auvergne's activities to various audiences and facilitating activities in partner's café, etc.
- *Contributing to projects under Erasmus +:*
 - Promoting European voluntary service among local youth;
 - Assisting Concordia's staff in preparation, realisation and evaluation of Youth Exchanges and European trainings;
 - Facilitation of Youth Exchanges, European trainings and trainings for volunteers.
- *Participating in work camps season (usually June – August):*
 - Assisting Concordia's staff in preparation of work camps season. Practical support is needed for various tasks: preparation of materials for work camps (tents, tools...), communication with the local communities which hosts the camps, etc.;
 - To co-lead an international volunteering work camp (2 or 3 weeks) after passing a special training offered by Concordia.

The detailed activities will be defined both by the volunteer and Concordia's staff, according to the volunteer's skills and interests. Moreover, within this EVS the volunteer will be invited to develop his/her own project.





Volunteer's Profile

We are searching for an active and motivated person with the following qualities:

- Adaptability;
- Good communication and presentation skills;
- Flexibility and ability to communicate with different audiences;
- Strong interest for non-formal education, its principles and advantages;
- Good level of English and/or French or motivation to learn French;
- Motivation to participate in European projects and international volunteering work camps;
- Motivation to co-lead a group of international volunteers.

Practical information

- Activity period: From October 1st, 2017 to august 31th, 2018 (11 months).
- Working Hours: The volunteer will work approx. 32 hours per week. Except regular days off (Saturday and Sunday), the volunteer is allowed to take 22 days of vacations spread out during these 11 month of the project.
- Working and living conditions: The volunteer will live in Concordia's flat, right above the office. So he/she will have no need to use public transport to reach the working place. The volunteer will live with another EVS volunteer. The flat has three rooms, a kitchen and a bathroom, so the volunteer will have his/she own room. The apartment is well equipped and furnished to ensure a comfortable stay. It is located in the centre of the city: train station, bus station and historical area of Clermont-Ferrand are just 10 minutes away by walking. The accommodation, house services and Internet fees are 100% covered by Concordia.
- In addition, the volunteer will receive money for food (7,5 € per day) and pocket money (5 € per day) according to EVS funding rules. Thus, the volunteer has to cook for her/himself.
- The volunteer will be individually followed by a dedicated mentor.

Deadline

We are waiting for your applications until **January 29th**. To apply, please fill in the following form: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1MoXgpasUnd3ikqPEJsAbChyBUEPEB8zZhVWGngPEjY/prefill>

You can also send us any additional documents showing your motivation to take part in this project (motivation letter, CV, pictures, video).

We are looking forward to receive your application!

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