

ASSOCIAZIONE INFORMAGIOVANI

Workcamps within ESC Programme – Season 2023

Group: 12 volunteers including group leader – international group. Each camp will involve volunteers with fewer opportunities (young unemployed, NEETs, young migrants, early school leavers, etc).

Duration: 16 days (including 2 travel days).

Working Hours: 6 hours per day approximately

Camp leaders: Experienced camp-leaders, together with the host will facilitate the work of the volunteers and support them before arrivals with logistic and travel information.

Language: English (knowledge of Italian is welcome but not necessary)

Insurance: Insurance: volunteers from EU countries must have their EU health card. The ESC volunteers will benefit from the ESC complementary insurance scheme for health (HENNER). ESC volunteers from Italy will benefit from national health insurance (tessera sanitaria). Third liability insurance is provided by InformaGiovani to any volunteers.

Infosheet: Will be sent to supporting organisation/volunteer one month before the beginning of the activity.

Travel costs: Travel real costs will be reimbursed according to the partnership agreement to volunteers. The amount will be calculated according to Erasmus+ distance band calculator (275 Euro for travel between 500 and 1999 Km; 360 Euro for travel between 2000 and 2999 Km)

Pocket money: volunteers will receive € 80,00 by InformaGiovani (i.e. 5,00 per day of activity, travel days included).

Important. Participants need to sign an agreement with Sending and Hosting partners. And to subscribe to PASS. Also to fill an online report at the end of the activity.

NOTE: participation is free of charge (both fee or extra-fee) being the activities funded under ESC Programme.

CODE/NAME	Location	DATES (DD/MM/YYYY)	Type	No. vols	Age	Placement
IG23-ESC01 Cleaning natural reserve 1	Isola delle Femmine, Palermo (Sicily), Italy	02/07/2023 - 17/07/2023 TBC	Manu, Envi	7EU, 4 ITA, 1L	18-30	End of March
IG23-ESC02 Cleaning natural reserve 2	Isola delle Femmine, Palermo (Sicily), Italy	19/07/2023 - 03/08/2023 TBC	Manu, Envi	7EU, 4 ITA, 1L	18-30	End of March
IG23- ESC03 GASLab open-air museum	Milena, (Caltanissetta, Sicily), Italy	26/06/2023 – 11/07/2023	Manu, Agri	15 in total 8EU, 4ITA, 2 extra UE + 1 L	18-30	March, 13 th
IG23- ESC04 Empowering rural area	Filaga (Sicily), Italy	29/06/2023 – 14/07/2023	Manu, Agri	7EU, 4 ITA, 1L	18-30	March, 13 th
IG23- ESC05 Supporting charity in S. Agata	S. Agata di Militello (Sicily), Italy	25/07/2023 – 09/08/2023	Manu, Agri	7EU, 4 ITA, 1L	18-30	March, 13 th
IG23- ESC06 Isole dello Stagnone natural reserve	Marsala (Sicily), Italy	11/09/2023 - 26/09/2023	Manu, Envi	7EU, 4 ITA, 1L	18-30	March, 13 th
IG23-ESC07 Cursa di Ciclopi	Sicily (itinerant)	18/04/2023 – 03/05/2023	Sport, Manu, Cult	7EU, 4 ITA, 1L	18-30	March, 13 th

INFORMAGIOVANI Workcamps Programme – Season 2023

Group: International. From 7 to 10 participants according to camp. All camps are open to volunteers with fewer opportunities.

Duration: from 7 to 10 days according to camps.

Working Hours: 5/6 hours per day approximately

Campleaders: Trained camp-leaders or host will facilitate the work of the volunteers and support them before arrivals with logistic and travel information

Language: English (knowledge of Italian is welcome but not necessary)

Extrafee: No extra fee (except Teen camp - €250)

Insurance: Will be provided for the entire duration of the camp (travels excluded). Insurance will cover illness, accidents, third part liability and death. European participants are required to bring their European Health Card

Infosheet : Will be uploaded on e-vet or sent one month before the beginning of the camp

CODE/NAME	Location	DATES (DD/MM/YYYY)	Type	No. vols	Age	Placement
IG23-08 – Waldorf free School	Palermo, (Sicily), Italy	02/09/2023 - 10/09/2023	Manu	7 + 1L	18-30	March, 13 th
IG23-09 – Isola delle Femmine 1	Isola delle Femmine, Palermo (Sicily), Italy	06/08/2023 – 17/08/2023 - TBC	Manu, Envi	5 + 1L (3 places for international vols)	18+	March, 20 th
IG23-10 – Isola delle Femmine 2	Isola delle Femmine, Palermo (Sicily), Italy	20/08/2023 – 30/08/2023 - TBC	Manu, Envi	5 + 1L (3 places for international vols)	18+	March, 20 th
IG23-TEEN01- Helping Caritas Center	Sant'Agata di Militello, (Sicily), Italy	11/07/2023 – 21/07/2023	Manu, Agri	10 + 1L	14-17	March, 15 th

IG23-ESC01 and IG23-ESC02 Cleaning natural reserve



IG23-ESC01 - Cleaning natural reserve 1 - 02/07/2023 - 17/07/2023 **TBC**

IG23-ESC02 - Cleaning natural reserve 2 - 19/07/2023 - 03/08/2023 **TBC**

***PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in DD/MM/YYYY format

City: Isola delle Femmine (Sicily)

Number of volunteers: M 5 - F 6 (incl. 4 local volunteers) + 1L

Min/Max age: 18/30

Work type: MANU, ENVI

Remarks: Be able to swim is compulsory. Interest in environment issue, protection of sea and coast. Basic accommodation provided in shared tents.

European Solidarity Corps Programme Countries only.

Motivation Letter showing interest in environment issue, protection of sea and coast.

European Youth Portal Registration needed - https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/young-people/about_en

Local partner: The "Isola delle Femmine" is a natural reserve established in 1997 by the Sicilian Region and managed by LIPU (Italian league for birds protection) since 1998. This little uninhabited island is located in a strategic place for the migration of a specific species of bird called Gabbiano reale (*Larus michahellis*), this area allows them to rest from migration and to grow numerically. Due to financial cutting, the reserve suffers from maintenance and the support received along the year is not as much as should be provided. This is the reason why InformaGiovani with LIPU organize together every year workcamps to support the maintenance of the natural reserve and to sensitize the local community towards the place.

Work description: Work will be run in the little uninhabited island in the middle of the sea, therefore, is compulsory to be able to swim!

Volunteers will support natural reserve's staff in restoration of the flora with planting of new plants (this action is part of a thirty-year plan put in practice by Lipu), maintenance of existing vegetation (watering plants), maintenance of the protected area (re-building stone paths). Cleaning of the protected area (the area is subject to different marine streams that bring waste from the sea). Work will be done mainly in the morning and in case of wind or rain the work will be run on another day. Work can be tiring and hard due to hot temperature and Sicilian sun (hat and sunblock are compulsory).

Workshops on environmental topics can be implemented during afternoons (e.g. marine litter and related-environmental disasters, reduction of plastic and the impact of incorrect waste management on seas, etc.).

Accommodation and food: Accommodation in a camping site few km far from the working place. Volunteers will share tents (2 in total), showers and toilet are available and in sharing inside the camping. Volunteers will be responsible for cooking, grocery shopping, providing drinking water for the group, cleaning dishes and other tasks.

Special requirements: Be able to swim is compulsory. Interest in environment issue, protection of sea and coast. Volunteers should be aware of a very basic condition. Motivation letter is compulsory in order to show interest in the project. You could bring your own hammock.

Location and free time: Isola delle Femmine is an Italian town in North-Western Sicily, in the province of Palermo. It is next to the sea so volunteers can spend their free time at the beach, do water sports, snorkeling, etc... Isola is a coast-town close to Palermo and connected with bus/train. Palermo is a beautiful city where there are many sights and places to spend the free time.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Isola delle Femmine train station

IG23- ESC03 GASLab open-air museum



IG23- ESC03 GASLab open-air museum – 26/06/2023 – 11/07/2023

*PLEASE NOTE that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format

City: Milena

Number of volunteers: M 7 - F 7 (incl. 4 local volunteers and 2 extra UE) + 1L

Min/Max age: 18/30

Work type: MANU, AGRI

Remarks: Volunteers should like the idea of living in a small town and experiencing collective life. Interested in manual work and agriculture is required. (2 places are for Extra-EU countries)

Motivation Letter showing interest in experiencing living in a rural area and support its development. **European Solidarity Corps Programme Countries only.**

European Youth Portal Registration needed - https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/young-people/about_en

Local partner: "Il circo pace e bene" is a cultural association dealing with activities of different types addressed to the most vulnerable people on Milena's territory (children, people with disabilities, teenagers, the elderly, the unemployed, migrants). The organization carries mostly artistic and cultural activities and realizes different projects to raise awareness within the schools of all levels. The association "il circo pace e bene" was founded in 2015 in Milena, Sicily by a group of locals with experiences in volunteering and international mobility. The aim of the association is to foster locals to be active in order to make changes they want to. The Association represents a breakthrough for locals and the territory where it is located through their engagement and support. Its work contributes to the enrichment of the Sicilian culture and territory. The ngs runs a space called "Magazzino" in Milena used for promoting cultural events, festival, active participation and advocacy.

Work description: Volunteers will contribute to maintaining an open-air museum of ancient grains called "GASlab" realized two years ago by a group of local and international volunteers. Volunteers will do manual work like sanding, painting, assembling, digging, harvesting and planting seeds (if season allows), also, cleaning and tracing trails of hiking path nearby (Magna Via Francigena) and other related activities to exploit the surrounding space. Some tasks can be implemented in the "Magazzino" as well. Meeting with local ngo's and intercultural event will be organised.

Accommodation and food: Volunteers will be hosted in two houses, and will sleep in beds. The volunteers, divided into groups and following shifts, will take care of the management and cleaning of the house and the "Magazzino", preparing meals in a common kitchen. All meals will be prepared and consumed in a common space at the "Magazzino". The place of the activities will be reached by the association's transport, but it is also possible to reach it by foot. Meals will be cooked by volunteers divided in shift.

Special requirements: Volunteers should like the idea of living in a small town and experiencing collective life. Interested in manual work and agriculture is required. Big cities are not easy to reach, so during their free time volunteers will have to organise excursions by public transport, adapting to the few possibilities available.

Location and free time: Milena is a small village in the province of Caltanissetta. The village is located in a rural mountainous context at 423 m above sea level. Like most remote Sicilian villages, it is served by a limited number of public transport services, so the organisation of free time could be limited to visiting nearby places or organising excursions out of town.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Campofranco train station

IG23-ESC04 Empowering rural area



IG23-ESC04 Empowering rural area - 29/06/2023 - 14/07/2023

***PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format

City: Filaga (Sicily)

Number of volunteers: M 5 - F 6 (incl. 4 local volunteers) + 1L

Min/Max age: 18/30

Work type: MANU, AGRI

Remarks: Interest in development of rural area and agriculture.

Motivation Letter showing interest in experiencing living in a rural area and support its development. Basic accommodation in hostel. **European Solidarity Corps Programme Countries only.**

European Youth Portal Registration needed - https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/young-people/about_en

Local partner: This project will be welcomed by the local community of Filaga and their local people involved in the project [Terr@Terra](#) that aims to valorize the historical-cultural-naturalistic environment of the "Sicani Mountain" area by creating a hostel managed by locals including young people with physical or light mental disability. The hostel is used for accommodating hikers, national and international groups.

Work description: Volunteers will support the local community to help develop rural areas and therefore they will be involved in manual work for the embellishment of the hostel, indoor and outdoor spaces, painting, upcycling for creating benches and furniture, and other tasks related to the vegetable garden and wheat harvesting.

Accommodation and food: Volunteers will be accommodated in bank-beds in sharing rooms like dormitory-style. The building was used to be a school and now is equipped as very basic hostel, bathrooms and showers are limited and will be shared according to gender. Food will be prepared by a local people and members of Terr@Terra (a few workers can have light mental or physical disability). Volunteers divided in shifts will help in arranging the table before and after meals, cleaning the dining room, bedrooms and common space. Slow-Wi-fi is available in the accommodation.

Special requirements: Filaga is a village in a geographic-rural area, surrounded by mountains and woods. Volunteers should be ready to live in a calm environment and not expect to find "movida" like in metropolitan cities. Right place for hikers amateurs.

Location and free time: FILAGA is a small town in province on Palermo, Sicily, surrounded by mountains and wood, and populate by cozy people. As any rural area, there are not many connections with Palermo this is why we recommend to plan your trip following some recommendation that will be shared later on.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Prizzi bus station

IG23-ESC05 Supporting charity in S. Agata



IG23-ESC05 – Supporting charity in S. Agata - 25/07/2023 - 09/08/2023

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City: Sant'Agata di Militello (Sicily)

Number of volunteers: 4M 4F (3 local volunteers; +1 group leader)

Min/Max age: 18/30

Work type: MANU, AGRI

Remarks: **Motivation Letter** showing interest in supporting solidarity initiatives.

European Solidarity Corps - Program Countries only.

European Youth Portal Registration needed - https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/young-people/about_en

Local partner: This project is organised in cooperation with the Caritas Centre in Sant'Agata di Militello (ME), The Centre was established in 2018 for providing assistance to people with economic difficulties and with different social backgrounds. It intervenes in different activities such as solidarity pharmacy, with a storage for food and clothes to donate to people in needs living in the surrounding municipalities, a listening-care center. The group manages also a Eurodesk InfoPoint for local young people implementing as well activities with local schools. Recently, a piece of land was donated to them by the local church where a vegetable garden for common use will be planted during the spring. As members of the national network Eurodesk, The Caritas Centre and Associazione InformaGiovani would like to contribute in the empowerment of local Sicilian communities and offer young people an opportunity to be engaged at local level and meet international youngsters.

Work description: Volunteers will support regular activities run by the Centre such as helping at the foodbank, at the clothes and toys storage, for the maintenance of social garden, agricultural workshop supporting Caritas' local volunteers and people with light mental disabilities. Other activities will be related to small renovation of the place will be hosting the group (sanding, painting, etc), cleaning areas of the town and promoting international opportunities to local young people. The group will be divided in smaller group for a better organization of the work give then the possibility to experience several tasks.

Accommodation and food: Volunteers will be accommodated in shared rooms divided by gender, six people per rooms. Toilet and shower will be split by gender too. Grocery is provided by the host and cooked by volunteers with an adult.

Special requirements: Interest to support local communities and people in needs by providing or organizing services for them, sensitivity towards charity is required.

Location and free time: Sant'Agata di Militello is a coast-city with pebbles-beaches. The Nebrodi public Park (the biggest protected natural area in Sicily) is nearby and can be visited easily. Possibility to hike in the surroundings.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Sant'Agata di Militello train station

IG23-ESC06 Riserva dello Stagnone



IG23-ESC06 - Isole dello Stagnone natural reserve - 11/09/2023 - 26/09/2023

***PLEASE NOTE that dates are in DD/MM/YYYY format**

City: Marsala (Sicily), Italy

Number of volunteers: M 5 - F 6 (incl. 4 local volunteers) + 1L

Min/Max age: 18/30

Work type: MANU, ENVI

Remarks: **Motivation Letter** showing interest in environment issues related to preservation of natural areas, impact of massive use of plastic, workshop on environmental crimes and biodiversity. **European Solidarity Corps - Program Countries only.**

European Youth Portal Registration needed - https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/young-people/about_en

Local partner: The “Riserva Isole dello Stagnone” is a natural reserve established in 1984 by the Sicilian Region. Due to its geographical position and climatic conditions, the Reserve has always been famous and important for the salt production and its biodiversity, welcoming birds during migrations or during the colder months. The natural area suffers abandoned litter left by the massive national and international tourism, especially during the summer season. Due to regional financial cutting, its maintenance and support is not as much as it's required along the year, therefore, InformaGiovani with local environmental associations and organizations organized together volunteering activities to support the maintenance of the natural reserve and to sensitize the local community towards the place.

Work description: Volunteers will support local associations and organizations in the maintenance of the reserve and its biodiversity, main work will be cleaning litter and promoting volunteering with local partners and a more sustainable use of the area. The work will be done mainly in the early morning due to weather forecasting.

In the afternoon, meetings and extra activities will be organized to make volunteers discovering the territory and find common action for raising awareness about the manmade impact for irresponsible use of natural reserves.

Accommodation and food: Accommodation will be arranged in 4 flats near the working area. All flats are equipped with 3-4 beds rooms, private bathroom, and sharing a common kitchen in open space and a big garden. Food will be provided by the host organisation while packed lunch is prepared by volunteers in advance every day, cooking and cleaning will be organized in shifts by volunteers. Wi-fi is available in the building.

Special requirements: “Riserva Isole dello Stagnone” is a Natural Sea Reserve located in Marsala. This camp is suitable for nature and sea amateurs interested in environmental issues and willing to manual work.

Location and free time: During your free time you can enjoy some sport experiences with local associations and visit the reserve through green sea transport. Town center is 15 minutes far from the natural reserve.

Closest airport: Trapani-Birgi (TPS), Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Marsala train station

IG23-ESC07 Cursa di Ciclopi



IG23-ESC07 – Cursa di Ciclopi 18/04/2023 – 03/05/2023*

*PLEASE NOTE that dates are in DD/MM/YYYY format

City: Several municipalities in Sicily

Number of volunteers: M 5 - F 6 (incl. 4 local volunteers) + 1L

Min/Max age: 18/30

Work type: MANU, AGRI

Remarks: **Motivation Letter.** Showing interest in sport and healthy-lifestyle - ability to work in team and in multicultural contexts - high level of flexibility and adaptability (spirit of adventure) **European Solidarity Corps - Program Countries only.**

European Youth Portal Registration needed - https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/young-people/about_en

Local partner: "Cursa di Ciclopi" (<https://cursadiciclopi.com/en/the-race/>) is the first edition of a big sport event, a 500km race, involving international runners across Sicily (50 municipalities, 8 villages, 4 regional parks, etc). The event is a unique opportunity to give visibility and promote the revitalisation of internal areas of the region with a clear approach toward the preservation of the environment and the natural resources and the promotion of local economy.

Work description: Volunteers will support the organisation of the event, and tasks may include: course tracking, support to the logistics; preparation and management of the "Life Bases" where the runners stop for rest (arranging the spaces, cooking, cleaning); support to the Information point; support to the runners (refreshments along the route and in the finish area; delivery of bibs and bags; linguistic mediation); photos and/or videos for promotion. Volunteers shall organise a public moment to raise awareness on healthy life-style. Working hours is very flexible and discontinuous.

Accommodation and food: The activity will be itinerant, in line with the race stages. Volunteers should be ready to experience different locations and accommodation styles: on the first days they will be hosted in a scout camp in Palermo. Then, they will be lodged in one or more of the so-called "Life Bases" along the race itinerary: conditions will be basic and will require high spirit of adaptation (common mixed rooms, cots, mattress). Volunteers should bring their own sleeping bag. Food will be provided by the organisation and cooked by the volunteers in charge of the kitchen of the of the "Life bases". No Wi-fi.

Special requirements: Interest in sport and healthy-lifestyle - ability to work in team and in multicultural contexts - high level of flexibility and adaptability (spirit of adventure)

Location and free time: Local municipalities where the race will take place and stop by. Since working time is discontinuous, volunteers can have time for discovering the small town while waiting for their shift.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Palermo Central station

IG23-TEEN01 – Helping Caritas Center



IG23-TEEN01 – Helping Caritas Center - 11/07/2023 - 21/07/2023

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City: Sant'Agata di Militello (Sicily)

Number of volunteers: 5M 5F (incl. 2 local volunteers) +1 group leader

Min/Max age: 14-17

Work type: MANU, AGRI

Remarks: Interest in supporting solidarity initiatives and meeting young people from small community

Extra fee: €250

Local partner: This project is organised in cooperation with the Caritas Centre in Sant'Agata di Militello (ME), The Centre was established in 2018 for providing assistance to people with economic difficulties and with different social backgrounds. It intervenes in different activities such as solidarity pharmacy, with a storage for food and clothes to donate to people in needs living in the surrounding municipalities, a listening-care center. The group manages also a Eurodesk InfoPoint for local young people implementing as well activities with local schools. Recently, a piece of land was donated to them by the local church where a vegetable garden for common use will be planted during the spring. As members of the national network Eurodesk, The Caritas Centre and Associazione InformaGiovani would like to contribute in the empowerment of local Sicilian communities and offer young people an opportunity to be engaged at local level and meet international youngsters.

Work description: Volunteers will support regular activities run by the Centre such as helping at the foodbank, at the clothes and toys storage, for the maintenance of social garden, agricultural workshop supporting Caritas' local volunteers and people with light mental disabilities. Other activities will be related to small renovation of the place will be hosting the group (sanding, painting, etc), cleaning areas of the town and promoting international opportunities to local young people. The group will be divided in smaller group for a better organization of the work give then the possibility to experience several tasks.

Accommodation and food: Volunteers will be accommodated in shared rooms divided by gender, six people per rooms. Toilet and shower will be split by gender too. Grocery is provided by the host and cooked by volunteers with an adult.

Special requirements: Interest to support local communities and people in needs by providing or organizing services for them, sensitivity towards charity is required.

Location and free time: Sant'Agata di Militello is a coast-city with pebbles-beaches. An excursion to the Nebrodi public Park (the biggest protected natural area in Sicily) or nearby town will be organized.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Sant'Agata di Militello train station (detailed information will be provided within the infosheet)

IG23-08- Waldorf free school



IG23-08-Waldorf Free School - 02/09/2023 - 10/09/2023*

*PLEASE NOTE that dates are in DD/MM/YYYY format

City: Palermo

Number of volunteers: 4M 3F + 1L

Min/Max age: 18/30 – Work type: Manu

Remarks: Willing to manual work (like repairing, painting, fixing, gardening, etc). Sense of initiative.

Local partner: Teachers and pupils' parents are the funders of the Waldorf free school association in Palermo. The school education is inspired by the principles of Anthroposophy (more info at <http://www.waldorfanswers.org>). The school is a community of teachers and pupils' families and they all do the necessary works to maintain the indoor and outdoor places of the school.

Work description: Volunteers will support the teachers and the parents of the pupils in the manual work needed before the start of the school year. Main work will be maintenance of garden and classroom, including painting, arrange the play area for kids, repair desks, etc.

Accommodation and food: Accommodation in the school. Volunteers will sleep in inflated mattresses in a classroom of the school, toilets are available while one or two solar showers will be installed for volunteers. A kitchen is available for volunteers where they can prepare meals, grocery is provided by the school.

Special Requirements: Willing to manual work (like repairing, painting, fixing, gardening, etc). Sense of initiative.

Location and free time: The school is not far from Palermo city centre. Volunteers can join social and cultural life of the city. Mondello beach can be reached by public bus.

Closest Airport: Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Lolli train station

IG23-09 ISOLA DELLE FEMMINE 3

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IG23-09 – Isola delle Femmine 3 - 06/08/2023 - 17/08/2023 **TBC**

IG23-10 – Isola delle Femmine 4 - 20/08/2023 - 30/08/2023 **TBC**

***PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in DD/MM/YYYY format

City: Isola delle Femmine, Palermo, (Sicily)

Number of volunteers: M 3 – F 2 (3 international volunteers) + 1L

Min/Max age: 18-99

Work type: MANU, ENVI

Remarks: Be able to swim is compulsory. Interest in environment issue, protection of sea and coast. Basic accommodation provided.

Local partner: The "Isola delle Femmine" is a natural reserve established in 1997 by the Sicilian Region and managed by LIPU (Italian league for birds protection) since 1998. This little uninhabited island is located in a strategic place for the migration of a specific species of bird called Gabbiano reale (*Larus michahellis*), this area allows them to rest from migration and to grow numerically. Due to financial cutting, the reserve suffers from maintenance and the support received along the year is not as much as should be provided. This is the reason why InformaGiovani with LIPU organize together every year workcamps to support the maintenance of the natural reserve and to sensitize the local community towards the place.

Work description: Work will be run in the little uninhabited island in the middle of the sea, therefore, is compulsory to be able to swim!

Volunteers will support natural reserve's staff in restoration of the flora with planting of new plants (this action is part of a thirty-year plan put in practice by Lipu), maintenance of existing vegetation (watering plants), maintenance of the protected area (re-building stone paths). Cleaning of the protected area (the area is subject to different marine streams that bring waste from the sea). Work will be done mainly in the morning and in case of wind or rain the work will be run on another day. Work can be tiring and hard due to hot temperature and Sicilian sun (hat and sunblock are compulsory).

Workshops on environmental topics can be implemented during afternoons (e.g. marine litter and related-environmental disasters, reduction of plastic and the impact of incorrect waste management on seas, etc.).

Accommodation and food: LIPU offers a room inside their office. All the volunteers will be accommodated in one common room equipped with 3 bunk beds and share one bathroom. Volunteers should be aware of a very basic condition and willing to live as such! Volunteers will be responsible for cooking and cleaning.

Special requirements: Be able to swim is compulsory. Interest in environment issue, protection of sea and coast. Volunteers should be aware of a very basic condition. Motivation letter is compulsory in order to show interest in the project. You could bring your own hammock.

Location and free time: Isola delle Femmine is an Italian town in North-Western Sicily, in the province of Palermo. It is next to the sea so volunteers can spend their free time at the beach, do water sports, snorkeling, etc... Isola is a coast-town close to Palermo and connected with bus/train. Palermo is a beautiful city where there are many sights and places to spend the free time.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

Meeting point: Isola delle Femmine train station