CONCF-8012 Nature's Fort : Green Guardians of Le Portel Le Portel 09/08 – 25/08 20 vols 18 - 30 ans

Project and work :

Join us in preserving the natural heritage of a dynamic and committed town !

Le Portel offers a unique natural and cultural heritage, with its cliff-top fort overlooking the sea, providing a magnificent landscape.

For this inaugural project, the group will participate in the renovation of the fort's various walls, particularly by applying plaster and mortar to strengthen walls eroded by vegetation. The goal is to make a pathway along the fort accessible and safe. You will also have the opportunity to meet and work with local youth.

Accommodation and meals:

You will be housed in individual tents at the Phare d'Opale campsite, just a few meters from the beach and the fort. The campsite will provide the necessary sanitary facilities. You will share various communal tasks and prepare meals together. A budget will be allocated to the group leaders, and you will participate in the shopping, prioritizing healthy and local products.

Partner :

The Fort du Cap d'Alprech Association in Le Portel took over this abandoned fort in 2023, with a strong commitment to restoring their local heritage. They organize visits to the fort to convey the rich history and memory of the site. Created in 1870, the fort has witnessed numerous conflicts with Germany and holds a wealth of stories, being a testament to many historic episodes. Although the association is very young, it is already vibrant with about twenty active volunteers eager to share and discover. As a new partner, their values of sharing, interculturality, remembrance, and peace align perfectly with those of Concordia.

Location and leisure :

Le Portel (9,000 inhabitants) is located in the Pas de Calais department, in the Hauts de France region. It is part of the Boulonnais Agglomeration, well-served by public transportation. The region boasts rich historical heritage sites that you can explore nearby: the Bay of Somme, various coastal forts, and the crypt of the Notre Dame Basilica. Numerous hikes will be offered on the mountain slopes, along with opportunities to discover the local flora and fauna.

More information can be found on the city's website : <u>https://www.ville-leportel.fr/</u>

Important to know :

Remember to bring work clothes for the work site as well as closed shoes. As the accommodation is under tents, remember to bring your sleeping bag as well as a sleeping mat or a camping mattress for more comfort.

Don't forget your bathing suit in case you have the opportunity to go swimming! You can also bring back specialties from your country, photos, musical instruments, in short what you like and want to share on this site, either with the local population or with the group.

Foreigners belonging to the European Union must bring with them a personal EHIC (European Health Insurance Card), and everybody must, in any case, bring their insurance

certificate. If health issues arise on the project, volunteers will have to pay for it, and will then be reimbursed once back in their home country.

This project is supported by the Erasmus+ program for young people aged 18 to 30. It is open to all volunteers who meet criteria and is subject to several principles and conditions. - Volunteers do not have to pay any fees (no sending, nor participation fees) to participate in the project, and will receive financial support for their travel, subjected to a maximum amount established according to their travel distance and upon presentation of the original tickets;

Langue : Anglais, Français

Heure et direction pour rejoindre le point de rendez-vous :

We will meet up at BOULOGNE SUR MER train station on 09/08 at the end of the day. The exact time of the meeting will be communicated with the roadmap, sent at the latest 4 weeks before the beginning of the work.

From PARIS, regular trains are leaving from Gare du Nord train station towards BOULOGNE SUR MER or through AMIENS. The ride lasts for about 3 hours

The trains are open to booking about 4 months before the departure dates, available on the following website: <u>https://www.sncf-connect.com/en-en/</u>

Nearest Airport:

Paris Charles de Gaulle Paris Beauvais

