



WORKCAMPS PROGRAM

2025

ABOUT US

IBO Italy is an NGO operating in Italy since 1957.

Our mission is to promote the access to education and learning as fundamental rights and opportunities for the growth and wellbeing of the whole community, and to involve young people in volunteering and solidarity projects, to foster social commitment, participation and responsibility.

IBO's three main fields of intervention are:

- **International Cooperation:** local development projects in Eastern Europe, Africa, and Latin America (Peru, Ecuador, Tanzania, Ukraine, Romania), promoting an inclusive and equitable quality education.
- **STV, LMTV projects in Italy and abroad:** workcamps, ESC, ESC Humanitarian Aid, Civil Service projects especially involving young people, in order to make them an active and aware part of society. Mobility projects and inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities.
- **Global Citizenship Education** and awareness raising activities for students and youngsters.

IBO Italy is member of the European network "IBO Internationale" and CCIVS and a member of the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organizations. It's a partner of FOCSIV – Italian federation of NGOs. It's headquarter is located in Ferrara.

IBO has solid experience in organizing activities with/for young people: since 1957, we promote short-term experiences of volunteering and community service. The association is accredited for the selection, training and coordination of volunteers in Italy and abroad, for the management of international cooperation projects and information campaigns.

We believe that non-formal learning experiences are fundamental to sensitize the younger generations to meet others, to encourage their personal, professional and educational development, to foster intercultural exchange.

Participating in a Work Camp with IBO Italy

...It is an opportunity to broaden your daily horizons.

Workcamps are volunteering experiences that can include construction, restoration, social animation and non-formal education activities, training for peace and human rights, assistance, environmental protection and much more.

Workcamps are experiences of community life, shared commitment and intercultural exchange.

Through shared voluntary work, towards common objectives, volunteers will get to know each other, they will create international friendships, discover the local culture in depth, go deep into unfair and unequal situations and the important choices of whom decided to stand against them.

Workcamps for everyone, but not for anyone. They are a great opportunity to travel, combining humility

and respect with the enthusiasm and curiosity to make yourself available for the common good.

Participating in a workcamp means actively collaborating from the first to the last day of the project; live an intense experience of community life, together with volunteers from many different backgrounds; it means being protagonists of the group's decisions, assuming one's responsibilities with awareness, acquiring new skills and discovering new places from an unusual perspective.

Although the projects take place in interesting locations, the workcamp is not a tourist trip. If you would like to visit cities and tourist destinations in the area, we invite you to do it before or after the camp: during the project, give priority to group sharing and also to informal moments of intercultural exchange.

ABOUT OUR WORKCAMPS

Age limits

- *Adult camps:* 18-30 years old
- *Teen camps:* 14-17 years old

Camp language

English is the camp language in all our camps. It is important that volunteers speak at least basic English.

Camp Leaders

Our teen camps usually have **two camp leaders** who will live together with the group of volunteers, coordinate activities and support the organization of free time. The presence of one camp leader in the adults' projects: a local responsible is always present and a camp leader can support the activities.

Accommodation

Accommodations will usually be in schools, youth centers, hosting communities and families, guesthouses, hostels. In some cases in tents. The conditions are sometimes basic but all facilities like kitchen, toilets and showers are available.

Food

In most workcamps, meals are prepared and self-organized by volunteers and camp leaders. Everyone will participate in cooking and preparing meals.

Special needs

We are committed to support the participation of people with fewer opportunities at our projects: please contact us for all the necessary info, in order to ease the participation of volunteers with economic difficulties, disabilities and other specific needs.

Insurance

Insurance is **not** provided for non-IBO volunteers, therefore volunteers have to bring their own insurance against illnesses, accidents and third party risks.

Teen Workcamps (14-17 Years Old)

IBO Italy offers minors **aged 14 to 17** the opportunity to participate in work and solidarity experiences such as Volunteer Camps in communities or associations involved in social activities and projects.

- Half of teenage camp participants are Italian.
- Volunteers in teenage work camps will be charged of an extra fee (variable from project to project) to cover the costs of qualified camp leaders and to support the hosting project. We recommend that each volunteer's family or guardian pays by bank transfer before the camp start. Any different agreement may be found on a bilateral level. The volunteers that receive the acceptance of the application have 10 days to pay the extra fee. After 10 days we cancell the application and we consider it an available place for other applications. We will not reimburse the extra free.
- Teenagers are taken in charge on their arrival at the meeting point and they can't leave the camp without a written authorization signed by their parents and sent to IBO.
- We cannot host teenagers without the *Medical Record Sheet* and the *Parental Authorization*.
- As all volunteers taking part in our workcamps, teens are asked to be volunteers too. We are expecting from all volunteers, and from teenagers too, a good commitment to participate at the workcamp and at group life tasks.
- Deadline for booked places: **1st May 2025**

Work Camps for Adults (18 Years Old and Above)

Our organization also provides opportunities for people aged 18 and above to participate in Volunteer Camps: experiences of solidarity in Italy, Europe and the World in communities or associations engaged in social activities and projects. From the age of 18, the possibility of also choosing a camp outside Europe.

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AN OVERVIEW OF ALL 2025 CAMPS IN ITALY

<i>Code</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Nr. Of volunteers</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Extra fee</i>
IBOIT02ESC	Fano (PU)	Manu	14/6 - 29/6	2IT-8INT.	18-30	/
IBOIT06TEEN	Arcipelago Toscano	Envi/Manu	17/6-23/6	4IT-4INT.	14-17	800€
IBOIT10ESC HPA	Voltri GE	envi/manu	19/6-4/7	2IT+6INT.	18-30	/
IBOIT07TEEN	Ferrara in English language	stu/edu	17/6-24/6	7IT+7INT.	14-17	500€
IBOIT13ESC	Argenta (FE)	envi/manu	1/7-16/7	2IT+8INT.	18-30	/
IBOIT03TEEN	Cona (FE)	Manu/Ani	2/7-9/7	6IT-6INT.	14-17	285€
IBOIT08TEEN	Parma	envi/manu	3/7-10/7	5IT+5INT.	14-17	250€
IBOIT05ESC	Cona (FE)	Manu/Ani	14/7-29/7	2IT-8INT.	18-30	/
IBOIT11ESC	Parma	art	16/7-31/7	2IT+8INT.	18-30	/
IBOIT09TEEN	Arcipelago della Maddalena	envi/manu	20/7-26/7	4IT+4INT.	14-17	800€
IBOIT12ESC	San Lorenzo Bellizzi (CS)	Agri/Manu	9/8-24/8	4IT-6INT.	18-30	/

WORKCAMPs 18+

IBOIT02ESC - FANO (Pesaro Urbino)

Location: Fano- Pesaro Urbino – Marche - Italy

Age: 18-30

Dates: IBOIT02ESC 14/6-29/6

Number of volunteers 2IT+8 internationals

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The association Oasi dell'Accoglienza ODV, founded in 1992 by Maria Chiera, has turned 32 years old. Born to welcome free of charge children from all over the world with thalassemia in need of a bone marrow transplantation and intensive therapy, today, in addition to the various services linked to hospitality and to the accompanying health care, the Oasi is actively involved in the fight against violence towards women, takes part of initiatives for the defense of humane rights, promotes and supports socio-cultural projects on the national territory and has partnerships with various international organisations. The Oasi has always been, and is more and more, a "family of families", a little world where different languages, ethnicities, religions and cultures meet and where everyone lives together by giving each other mutual help and friendship. Our motto is: "VIENI, VEDI, VIVI LA VITA" – "COME, SEE, LIVE LIFE".

WORK

Arrangement of the outdoor areas – help in the kitchen – cleaning of common spaces – entertainment of the hosted people

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Accommodation: availability of a big tent to share with the other volunteers. Possibility to also put single personal tents in accordance with the house.

Food: The meals will be eaten in the dining room with the hosted and volunteers of the house.

Hygiene services in the facility.

NO EXTRA FEE

FREE TIME

Fano is a roman city that especially culturally is very interesting and that is located on the Adriatic coast with it's beautiful beaches. It is also a strategic point between the beautiful hills of the Marche region with many villages and cities considered among the most beautiful in Italy such as Urbino, Gradara, Loreto... and the Romagna coast with all its touristic attractions.

TRAVEL:

Train and bus station
Piazzale G. Falcone – P.Borsellino 3
61100 Pesaro

MEETING POINT:

Train and bus station of Pesaro
Time: Preferably in the morning

IBOIT10ESC HPA - VOLTRI (Genova)

Location: Voltri - Genova- Italy

Age: 18-30

Dates: IBOIT10ESC -HPA 19/6-4/7

Number of volunteers 2IT+6 internationals

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The camp is the result of a collaboration between IBO Italy, the ecological and social farm "La Tabacca" and the social farm "Tutti giù per terra" in Voltri - Genoa (380 m.).

"La Tabacca" is the result of a rural settlement project through which an ecological and social farm was established, fostering environmental education and activism, networking with the local area and civil society. The design of the place and the house was done through ecological design with the support of a multidisciplinary team that included the restoration of the house with natural techniques and materials, the installation of solar panels and insulation of the house with 200 straw bales, and careful design of water recovery that includes a phyto-purification tank, canalization and dry toilets in addition to agricultural techniques to save water in cultivation. The process of rural settlement has created participation, sharing of sustainable practices and processes for social change.

The social farm "Tutti giù per terra" was born from a dream and the sharing of a need: to return to the land, to live together, to work in the open air because we are convinced of the pedagogical and therapeutic effectiveness that contact with the land possesses.

The organization of spaces and activities at "Tutti giù per terra" through the tool of educational workshops, allow everyone to express their potential to the fullest:

- the "handy" vegetable garden, where even those with physical problems can cultivate;
- the sensory path, designed to stimulate all the senses;
- the educational farm, for pet therapy;
- the processing workshop where it is possible to process all the raw materials produced on the farm.

This group volunteer project is part of a European Solidarity Corps project-High Priority Area entitled "VEIL-Corps" and will take place between these two realities: the first week at "La Tabacca" and the second week at "Tutti giù per terra". The project aimed at young people aged 18-30 years will fall within the areas of agricultural and forest management with agroecological approach and will include practical activities to maintain biodiversity, prevention to hydrogeological disruptions with the involvement of the local and urban community.

This activity is open to the partners of the project VEIL-Corps.

WORK

Activities aimed at youth participants will be:

- small maintenance work on the grounds;
- garden management/ harvesting of produce for meal preparation and processing/ fall transplanting;

- care of the rose garden and agroforestry orchard;
- water management and recovery to optimize consumption;
- dry stone wall maintenance.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Volunteers will sleep in locally provided tents that will be set up near the wooded area at "La Tabacca" with outdoor simple showers and outdoor dry toilets available. In the second week at "Tutti giù per terra". Food will be prepared communally and there is a kitchen available.

The camp is aimed at young people who enjoy contact with Nature, hiking and with manual skills. From the farm to the first available village Genoa Voltri is a walk (50 min walk).

NO EXTRA FEE

FREE TIME Sea, small lakes, and a visit to the city of Genoa.

TRAVEL: The nearest airport is in Genoa, then take a train to Genoa Voltri. The meeting point is at the Genoa Voltri train station.

MEETING POINT: Genoa Voltri train station at 3:00 PM.

IBOIT13ESC Argenta (Ferrara)

Location: Argenta FE – Emilia Romagna Region – Italy **Age:** 18-30

Dates: IBOIT13ESC - 1/7-16/7

Number of volunteers: 2IT+8INT.+1 camp leader

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The volunteer proposal is the result of the meeting and collaboration of IBO Italy with the Agriturismo Prato Pozzo in Argenta (Ferrara), the Boscoforte s.r.l. Company of Taiano (VA) and the Po Delta Park - Emilia Romagna. The Agriturismo Prato Pozzo began its activity in 1990 by going to renovate an old family farm. It is located south of the Comacchio Valleys inserted in the territory of the Delta Po Park - Emilia Romagna.

It offers, in addition to accommodation and catering, various services for children and adults aimed at discovering nature and the delta territory:

- Birdwatching: nature trail for observation and photography in Nature.
- Mountain biking: service for moving around the area of the Comacchio Valleys.
- Educational Farm: reception of school groups for workshops on the life of bees and the natural balance between animals and vegetation of the Comacchio Valleys area.
- Camargue Delta white horses welcome point
- Sport fishing: there are ponds for sport fishing where a small fish farm takes place.
- Agri-camping area

The landscape of the Comacchio Valleys offers unlimited horizons where water intersects with thin tongues of vegetation consisting of willows, poplars, reeds, tamarisk hedges, succulent Salicornia and Salsola ...

In all this scenery, the main protagonists are the birds that in every season of the year frequent these environments for the extraordinary wealth of food and shelter. It is the most important wetland complex in Italy, and migrators transiting from northern to southern Europe stop in these areas to breed or to spend the winter: Pink Flamingoes, Winter White Herons mingle with Grey Herons while in summer come Red Herons, Avocets and Black-winged Stilts and Royal Pythids ...

The hand of man is not exempt from having contributed to the conformation of this enchanting setting: the infrastructure for fishing and eel processing, but above all the presence of an extensive salt marsh dating back to Etruscan times, the cause of conflicts over control of the production of the "white gold" until the time of the Venetian and pre-Napoleonic Republics, functioned until the end of the last century.

Now both activities have ceased or almost ceased: the risk of eelgrass extinction and the no longer market cost of the salt produced have led to the cessation of these economies. But presence of basins with variable salinity is continuing to contribute greatly to the development of an extraordinary biodiversity, and for this reason attempts are made to maintain their hydraulic functionality, but also their historical memory and naturalistic usability.

The Comacchio Valleys are also the realm of silence, the tranquility of open expanses, interrupted by the unmistakable calls of winged inhabitants.

Within the Comacchio Valleys, the Boscoforte s.r.l. Society owns one of the most interesting naturalistic

settings in the Po Delta Park, the Boscoforte Wildlife Oasis, part of which is open to regulated tourist use, with equipped trails and observation points for bird-watching and nature photography.

In this environment, the balance between Nature and human presence is delicate. It is necessary to know it in order to respect it.

The camp stems precisely from the need to make this area usable in a respectful and safe way through the maintenance of guided trails aimed at nature lovers who especially in the summer period are numerous. The goal is to involve Italian and international young people with group volunteer activities both manual and environmental education to empower them to a consciousness of belonging "to the common house."

WORK

Volunteers will be involved in:

- minor nature trail maintenance activities in the Agriturismo Prato Pozzo area with pregnant paint painting to the wooden boundary fences and wooden birdwatching perches;
- general maintenance of part of the trail within Boscoforte;
- partial maintenance of the Agosta Embankment
- environmental and nature education activities.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:

Volunteers will be housed in a facility within the Prato Pozzo area with 3 communal bedrooms, 3 bathrooms with showers, self-catering kitchen.

NO EXTRA FREE

FREE TIME: possibility of visiting Comacchio, the Lidi Ferraresi, Ravenna, Ferrara.

TRAVEL: Nearest airport Bologna (Guglielmo Marconi). Nearest train station Alfonsine (RA) (Bologna-Ferrara-Alfonsine) [EN - Trenitalia](#)

MEETING POINT: Meeting point at Alfonsine train station at 6 p.m. on 1/7.

IBOIT05ESC – CONA (Ferrara)

Location: Casa IBO/ Cona – Ferrara – Emilia Romagna – Italy **Age:** 18 - 30

Dates: IBOIT05ESC 14/7-29/7

Number of volunteers: 2IT + 8 internationals

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Cona Ferrara 2024 proposal is part of a European Solidarity Corps (ESC) project. The European Solidarity Corps is the European Union's program for young people between the ages of 18 and 30 to help build a more inclusive society, provide help to vulnerable people and respond to social problems. It offers the chance to experience personal and professional learning and growth in one of the EU member states, making positive changes in the local community. It promotes the participation of young people with fewer opportunities and from disadvantaged backgrounds.

This proposal results from the collaboration with the "Ali del Vento" association, which operates in the field of horseback riding both with lessons inside and with rides. The activity carried out also takes on strong social value in the exercise of Animal Assisted Interventions (IAA) in favor of the disabled and on the vision of an ethical human-horse perspective and ethological approach, not based on the exploitation of the animal but on its respect and well-being as fundamental elements.

In fact, all of the school's horses have special histories and left bad experiences behind. The recovered well-being of these horses constitutes a wonderful combination with the happiness of children, disabled and non-disabled, who can enjoy the relationship with these beautiful animals. Among the goals is also the development of affordable horseback riding for everyone (including adults): horseback riding can be a sport within everyone's reach and not a luxury.

WORK

The activities will take place at the riding stables run by the "Ali del vento" Association in Cona (Ferrara) and will consist of collaboration in cleaning the stables and horses present at the stables, collaboration in horse care and general maintenance of the stables.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

At Casa IBO in via Boschetto 1 - Ferrara about 8 km away. There are 2 dormitories with bunk beds, shared bathrooms, kitchen for independent meal preparation. Transportation from the accommodation to the riding stables guaranteed.

NO EXTRA FREE

FREE TIME

Possibility of arranging visits to the cities of Ferrara, Bologna, Venice.

TRAVEL: From Bologna airport you can reach the Ferrara train station.

MEETING POINT: Ferrara central train station at 17:00 o'clock.

IBOIT11ESC – PARMA

Location: Parma – Emilia Romagna – Italy

Age: 18 - 30

Dates: IBOIT11ESC 16/7-31/7

Number of volunteers: 2IT+ 8 internationals

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This camp is one of the activities planned by the project “Green UP! A community that heals, educates and regenerates.” A citywide environmental project, taking place in 6 neighborhoods, in continuation with an earlier San Leo Green neighborhood environmental project launched in 2022 in Parma's San Leonardo neighborhood. Volunteers will collaborate on the creation of a Mural, together with young people from the neighborhood, inside the courtyard of the Micheli Comprehensive Institute Middle School. The drawing that will be reproduced was conceived during the winter and spring months by the students of some classes of the Middle school and then co-designed together with the young adults with disabilities who attend the daytime activities of the Fiorente Cooperative and the adolescents of the “Scuola del Fare” youth centre. The co-designing activities and the realisation of the mural will be carried out under the supervision of a young artist from Parma, who will guide the volunteers in the realisation of the drawing and in the use of environmentally friendly vernics. Volunteers from the neighbourhood will also join the group of international volunteers in the realisation. Volunteers with interest and skills in mural painting/graffiti art and creativity are requested.

WORK

The group of volunteers will be responsible for the reproduction and colouring of the design co-designed by the young people from the middle school, the Centro Giovani “Scuola del Fare” and the Cooperativa “Fiorente”. Young people from the neighbourhood, who collaborated in the design, and young people interested in environmental issues who are interested in sharing an experience with international volunteers will take part in the activities.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The volunteers will be accommodated at Student's Hostel Parma, in the San Leonardo district. Multi-bed rooms with shared bathroom facilities will be reserved for the volunteers. It will be possible to move around the city from the accommodation to the camp either on foot or by bus.

NO EXTRA FREE

FREE TIME It will be possible to visit both the city of Parma and its province, rich in history, monuments, castles and gastronomy. For those interested in visiting other cities, Parma has a strategic position that allows it to be in the centre between Milan and Bologna; in an hour by train it is possible to arrive in both cities. The railway station is easy to reach on foot and by bus.

TRAVEL: The nearest airport is Bologna or Milan Bergamo and Milan Linate. Continue by train or bus to the Parma train station.

MEETING POINT: On the 16/07 at 5 pm at the Parma train station.

IBOIT12ESC – SAN LORENZO BELLIZZI (Cosenza)

Location: San Lorenzo Bellizzi – Cosenza – Calabria – Italy

Age: 18-30

Dates: IBOIT12ESC

Number of volunteers: 2IT+ 8 internationals

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

The workcamp is in collaboration of IBO Italia with the Association "I Ragazzi di San Lorenzo Bellizzi (IRSLB) an association that takes its name from the same country as the fundamental objectives are the safeguarding of the old and the development of the new of the territory. San Lorenzo is a small city located within the Pollino Park, where a large part of the economy depends on pensions, small businesses, restaurants and seasonal summer tourist jobs. It is also affected by a strong depopulation and therefore aging of the remaining population, like many villages in southern Italy. An important resource for the place is the maintenance of natural resources and the recovery of ancient productions and skills. The recovery of these traditional activities is very important for the city in terms of economic, social and environmental balance. For several years IRSLB, in collaboration with the Municipality, has been working to combat the abandonment of rural areas. More and more olive groves are being abandoned in the municipal area because the elderly owners are no longer able to take care of them, due to lack of interest, others have emigrated, others have died. One of the goals of the project will be in fact the recovery of abandoned olive groves according to the principles of Agroforestry and syntropic agriculture and the enhancement of the ancient local arts. Furthermore, a Biodiversity project will be activated to map the biodiversity of the surroundings of the Pollino Park. The works will be carried out together with IRSLB as administration and with local associations (civil protection, civil protection group, Museum of Rural Art).

WORK

The first introductory activities will be the collection of waste, on natural heritage sites all inside the Pollino Park and the route is to enhance and sensitize the local population on the conservation of the natural heritage. Recovery of olive groves The works for the recovery of the olive groves will consist in the elimination of weeds, in the reduction of shrubs and, in general, in the plants that have nothing to do with the olive grove and have grown spontaneously over the years, removing the stones and all what is needed to prepare the recovery of the plant, from pruning to fertilization to subsequent plucking.

The syntropic garden project will also be continued according to agroforestry techniques and methods. Part of the study: At the end of the daily activities during the session of the workcamp seminars will be organized:

FOOD AND ACCOMMODATION

The volunteers will be housed in the Casa Parco structure, a multifunctional shelter with rooms. The retreat has a usable kitchen. Agreements will also be activated with local establishments for breakfasts and meals.

NO EXTRA FREE

FREE TIME: Excursion on the Pollino in collaboration with the Pollino Park Authority.

MEETING POINT: At the Sibari station

MEETING POINT 1: 9 August 2024 at 12.00

MEETING POINT 2: Sunday 11 August 2024 at 17.00

WORKCAMPS 14-17

IBOIT06TEEN - PARCO NATURALE DELL'ARCIPELAGO TOSCANO -

Mar Tirreno

Location: Parco Naturale dell'Arcipelago Toscano – Mar Tirreno – Italy **Age:** 14-17

Dates: IBOIT06TEEN 17/6-23/6

Number of volunteers: 4IT+ 4 internationals

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This proposal results from the meeting of IBO Italia with the association of social promotion "I Tetragonauti" – "The tetragonauts", born in 2003, that today consists of professionals and volunteers in the pedagogical-educational and marine experience field. The main goal of the tetragonauts is to realise interventions and socio-educational projects directed to minors, minors with fewer opportunities and difficulties and to people with disabilities by identifying in the marine and sailing environment the privileged contexts and tools of one's own work. The project involves therefore a volunteering experience on board of a sailing boat. Why should I do this experience?

To travel on the sea has strong educative and formative characteristics. **Being part of a crew**, sharing with the others the emotions of navigating, the responsibilities, the pleasant situations and the ones with difficulties, allows you to enter in a new dimension made of mutual collaboration, fellowship and trust.

The community life in a boat is the privileged place of collaborative making, the main space to experiment the relationship with rules, roles, duties, tasks and responsibility. The trip is without doubt the most educative moment. The activities will foresee the alternation of moments on board and on land. During the week there will be carried out cleaning and maintenance work of the beaches and the trekking paths of the places that will be reached by boat. There will be given much importance to the matter of using plastic and plastic in the sea as part of the project Back to Life.

In addition, life on board will be managed communally throughout cooking and cleaning shifts.

WORK

The main activities during the camp are divided into:

1. Environmental education and land cleaning activities

- Spotting and collecting floating plastic in the sea
- Cleaning the beaches and the seabed (up to 4/5 meters in depth)
- Whale watching
- Snorkeling and recognizing marine life
- Identifying plants, herbs, and shrubs

2. Boat management

- Steering the boat
- First approaches to navigation techniques and boat nomenclature
- Introduction to meteorology, also in light of climate change

- On-board life shifts (cooking, setting/clearing the table, washing dishes, cleaning)
- Boat maintenance (small carpentry tasks)

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

- **the boat:** Inaê, 19-meter steel sailboat model Van Dame Nordia 61, two masts, Yawl rigged, 240hp engine, 4.5-meter dinghy with 15hp outboard.

- **accommodation:** 2 cabins with 4 bunk beds, 3 bathrooms, boiler, a three-burner galley, oven, refrigerators, microwave. On deck: cockpit with hard top and deck with equipment for sports activities.

- **Food:** breakfast, lunch and dinner prepared by the participant(s) in turn, with help from the educators. Predominantly vegetarian meals. Fresh and local products when possible.

Breakfast: milk, tea, coffee, yogurt, bread and jam, cereal, cookies, honey, fruit

Lunch and dinner: cereal (pasta, rice, spelt, couscous), cooked or raw vegetables, protein (meat/sliced meat, legumes, eggs, fish, cheese), fruit.

EXTRA FREE 800,00 €. The fee includes the provisioning for the operation and management of the boat, meals, and insurance..

FREE TIME

In the evening you can decide with the others if you want to play board games, look at the stars, go for a walk or tell each other stories.

TRAVEL: The nearest airport is the one from PISA. From there you can take a regional train to S. Vincenzo (about 1h). An alternative is the airport in Rome that is about 3h away by train.

MEETING POINT: S. Vincenzo tourist port (LI) on the 26/6 at 14:00. Return to the port of S. Vincenzo on the 2/7 at 14:00.

IBOIT07TEEN – FERRARA IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Location: Ferrara – Emilia Romagna Region – Italy

Age: 14-17

Dates: IBOIT07TEEN 20/6-27/6

Number of volunteers: 7IT+ 7 internationals

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The camp will take place in Casa IBO, the national headquarter of the associazione IBO Italia in Ferrara, to develop the knowledge and usage of the English language in an international context and in a particular and fun way. The experience will be an all-round training to give to young Italian and international teens the possibility to live a group experience, guided by 2 camp leaders, in which they will take care of the common spaces from cleaning together to preparing their own meals. The goal is to develop and reinforce the English skills in a dynamic and fun way, looking ahead to later international experiences abroad, but without leaving out the relational aspect and the development of teens' autonomy. During the camp, 15 hours of frontal lesson will be held by a teacher and during the whole experience the participants will be encouraged to communicate with themselves using English.

ACTIVITIES

The typical day will have the following general schedule:

8.00-9.00 breakfast

9.00-12.00 English lesson

12.00-13.00 lunch preparation and general cleaning

13.00-14.00 lunch

14.00-15.00 Tidying up and free time

15.00-18.00 activity/guided visits/trip in English

18.00-20.00 showers and dinner preparation

20.00-21.00 dinner

21.00-23.00 evening activities

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:

At Casa IBO in via Boschetto 1 – Ferrara. There are 2 dormitories with bunk beds, shared bathrooms, kitchen for independent meal preparation.

EXTRA FEE: 500€, including the accommodation and food, transport and travel tickets, camp leader and English teacher contribution.

REQUESTED: A basic knowledge of the English language (A2/B2) is requested.

FREE TIME: Visit to the city of Ferrara and a trip to a city nearby.

TRAVEL: From Bologna airport you can reach the Ferrara train station.

MEETING POINT: At the Ferrara train station at 16:00. Or at the field office at Casa IBO in Via Boschetto, 1 Ferrara at 17:00.

IBOIT03TEEN - CONA (Ferrara)

Location: Casa IBO/Cona – Ferrara – Emilia Romagna – Italy

Age: 14-17

Dates: IBOIT03TEEN 2/07-9/07

Number of volunteers: 6IT+6int.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This proposal results from the collaboration with the "Ali del Vento" association, which operates in the field of horseback riding both with lessons inside and with rides. The activity carried out also takes on strong social value in the exercise of Animal Assisted Interventions (IAA) in favor of the disabled and on the vision of an ethical human-horse perspective and ethological approach, not based on the exploitation of the animal but on its respect and well-being as fundamental elements.

In fact, all of the school's horses have special histories and left bad experiences behind. The recovered well-being of these horses constitutes a wonderful combination with the happiness of children, disabled and non-disabled, who can enjoy the relationship with these beautiful animals. Among the goals is also the development of affordable horseback riding for everyone (including adults): horseback riding can be a sport within everyone's reach and not a luxury.

WORK

The activities will take place at the riding stables run by the "Ali del vento" Association in Cona (Ferrara) and will consist of collaboration in cleaning the stables and horses present at the stables, collaboration in horse care and general maintenance of the stables.

FOOD AND ACCOMMODATION

At Casa IBO in via Boschetto 1 - Ferrara about 8 km away. There are 2 dormitories with bunk beds, shared bathrooms, kitchen for independent meal preparation. Transportation from the accommodation to the riding stables guaranteed.

EXTRA FEE 285,00 €

FREE TIME

Possibility of arranging visits to the cities of Ferrara, Bologna, Venice. An additional fee will be charged during the camp for all activities that involve it.

TRAVEL

From Bologna airport you can reach the Ferrara train station.

MEETING POINT

At the Ferrara train station at 16:00. Or at the field office at Casa IBO in Via Boschetto, 1 Ferrara at 17:00.

To organise your departure trip on the last day of the camp, we recommend to book a train or leave the camp until 12:00.

IBOIT08TEEN - PARMA

Location: Parma – Emilia Romagna Region – Italy

Age: 14-17

Dates: IBOIT08TEEN 3/7-10/7

Number of volunteers: 5IT+5int.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This camp is one of the activities planned by the project "Green UP! A community that heals, educates and regenerates." A citywide environmental project, taking place in 6 neighborhoods, in continuation with an earlier San Leo Green neighborhood environmental project launched in 2022 in Parma's San Leonardo neighborhood.

The project has the following objectives:

- 1) raising awareness on environmental issues and specifically involving citizens in the first person as active citizens;
- 2) **the protection and care of green areas of the 6 districts of Parma**, including San Leonardo neighbourhood, through monthly moments that involved all those involved in the project.
- 3) Artistic urban regeneration through murals and art installations in community places and/or green areas.

The camp is part of one of the activities under the Green Up! project, specifically in the care of parks and green areas in 6 city neighborhoods.

WORK

The group of volunteers will be responsible for cleaning and tidying up 6 green areas in different neighborhoods of the city by sorting waste with appropriate equipment. Peers from the city will also be involved in the activities. The activities will take place at 2 times of the day: morning 9am-12:30pm and afternoon 3pm-6pm. During the lunch break, get-to-know-you moments will be organized with the different entities involved in the project (ex. International lunches, picnics in the park, etc.) Planned a meeting with the subjects of the different neighborhoods involved in this activity at the end of the camp to show the result and tell about the experience.

FOOD AND ACCOMMODATION The volunteers will be accommodated at Student's Hostel Parma, in the San Leonardo district. Multi-bed rooms with shared bathroom facilities will be reserved for the volunteers.

EXTRA FEE 250,00 €

FREE TIME: It will be possible to visit both the city of Parma and its province, rich in history, monuments, castles and gastronomy. For those interested in visiting other cities, Parma has a strategic position that allows it to be in the centre between Milan and Bologna; in an hour by train it is possible to arrive in both cities. The railway station is easy to reach on foot and by bus.

TRAVEL: The nearest airport is Bologna or Milan Bergamo and Milan Linate. Continue by train or bus to the Parma train station.

MEETING POINT: On the 03/07 at 5 pm at the Parma train station.

IBOIT09TEEN - ARCIPELAGO DELLA MADDALENA – Mar Tirreno

Location: Arcipelago della Maddalena – Sardegna - Italy

Age: 14-17

Dates: IBOIT09TEEN 20/7-26/7

Number of volunteers: 4IT+4int.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This proposal results from the meeting of IBO Italia with the association of social promotion "I Tetragonauti" – "The tetragonauts", born in 2003, that today consists of professionals and volunteers in the pedagogical-educational and marine experience field. The main goal of the tetragonauts is to realise interventions and socio-educational projects directed to minors, minors with fewer opportunities and difficulties and to people with disabilities by identifying in the marine and sailing environment the privileged contexts and tools of one's own work. The project involves therefore a volunteering experience on board of a sailing boat. Why should I do this experience?

To travel on the sea has strong educative and formative characteristics. **Being part of a crew**, sharing with the others the emotions of navigating, the responsibilities, the pleasant situations and the ones with difficulties, allows you to enter in a new dimension made of mutual collaboration, fellowship and trust.

The community life in a boat is the privileged place of collaborative making, the main space to experiment the relationship with rules, roles, duties, tasks and responsibility. The trip is without doubt the most educative moment. The activities will foresee the alternation of moments on board and on land. During the week there will be carried out cleaning and maintenance work of the beaches and the trekking paths of the places that will be reached by boat. There will be given much importance to the matter of using plastic and plastic in the sea as part of the project Back to Life.

In addition, life on board will be managed communally throughout cooking and cleaning shifts.

WORK

The main activities during the camp are divided into:

3. Environmental education and land cleaning activities

- Spotting and collecting floating plastic in the sea
- Cleaning the beaches and the seabed (up to 4/5 meters in depth)
- Whale watching
- Snorkeling and recognizing marine life
- Identifying plants, herbs, and shrubs

4. Boat management

- Steering the boat
- First approaches to navigation techniques and boat nomenclature
- Introduction to meteorology, also in light of climate change
- On-board life shifts (cooking, setting/clearing the table, washing dishes, cleaning)
- Boat maintenance (small carpentry tasks)

FOOD AND ACCOMMODATION

- **the boat:** Lady Lauren, 22-meter sailboat, Scorpio 72 model, two masts, rigged Ketch, 240 hp engine, 5-meter dinghy with 25 hp outboard

- **accommodation:** 5 cabins (2 doubles, 2 bunk beds, 1 V-bed) with 4 bathrooms, boiler, a common room (dinette), three-burner galley, forno, refrigerators. On deck large cockpit and deck with equipment for sports activities.

- **Food:** breakfast, lunch and dinner prepared by the participant(s) in turn, with help from the educators.

Predominance vegetarian meals. Fresh and local products when possible.

Breakfast: milk, tea, coffee, yogurt, bread and jam, cereal, cookies, honey, fruit

Lunch and dinner: cereal (pasta, rice, spelt, couscous), cooked or raw vegetables, protein (meat/sliced meat, legumes, eggs, fish, cheese), fruit.

EXTRA FREE 800,00 €. The fee includes the provisioning for the operation and management of the boat, meals, and insurance..

FREE TIME: In the evening you can decide with the others if you want to play board games, look at the stars, go for a walk or tell each other stories.

TRAVEL: The airport which is more closer - in this case OLBIA - Sardegna

MEETING POINT: Olbia Airport on the 20th of July at 2:00 PM. Return to Olbia Port on the 26th of July at 2:00 PM.