

# **CALL FOR ESC VOLUNTEERS**

## **Long term individual ESC volunteering**

**Project name:** Leszno - Spread your wings!  
**Hosted in** **Leszno, Poland**

**Activity dates:** 04/04/2022 to 01/02/2023 (304 days + 2 travel days)  
Travel budget will be calculated based on the Erasmus+ Distance calculator

18-30 year old, basic communicative english needed, must not have participated in a long term ESC project previously

**Accepted participant countries:** Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Belarus, Russian Federation, Ukraine

**Deadline for applications:** 19/02/22

### **TOPICS:**

- Inclusion
- Community development
- Human rights





## **ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION**

As the goal of the project, volunteers will support the organisation with activities aimed at tackling social issues facing the Leszno community, combating racist and xenophobic attitudes, and issues arising from lack of information relating to climate change.

The activities are very dynamic and varied, with volunteers having a lot of free space and being given a lot of creative freedom to design their own animation activities, workshops, and events.

## **ACCOMMODATION, FOOD AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS**

Volunteers will be housed in one of the three, fully equipped, flats rented by the organisation, living with other volunteers, and sharing a bedroom with one other volunteer.

Any travel outside of Leszno for activities related to the organisation, will be organised and covered by the organisation. Volunteers will receive 15pln per day (~450pln per month) as a food allowance, and a pocket money allowance (4euro/day)

## **TRAINING DURING THE ACTIVITY**

Throughout the volunteering period, volunteers will receive regular training, beginning with an "orientation week" upon arrival aimed at introducing volunteers to life in Leszno.

On arrival training will be provided from the National Agency, as well as a mid-term training, with ESC volunteers from across Poland. The organisation will provide group coaching on a fortnightly basis, as well as a weekly evaluation session with the coordinators.



## **Four different roles:**

### **-LESZNO VOLUNTEER CENTRE**

working closely with local Polish volunteers, exchanging experiences, and cooperating to lead activities such as sports clubs as an open platform for young people. Volunteers will also be involved in Action-Reaction meetings where issues facing young people are identified, discussed and tackled through the arrangement of animation activities.

### **-STREET PEDAGOGY**

Within this activity, volunteers will work with young people, who spend a lot of time outside their family homes.

Volunteer trainers will reach out to young people, who do not attend local daycare centres or participate in sports clubs and community centres. The idea will be to attract young people with fewer opportunities to the applicant, to present them with an offer of potential development and encourage them to use the youth centre and take part in the activities offered by the applicant.

### **-LANGUAGE CAFE**

The café uses non-formal education methods in language teaching, language immersion and raises intercultural awareness of participants thanks to contacts with foreigners. In this activity, the volunteers will act as conversationalists helping participants from the local community of Leszno to learn a foreign language while at the same time improving their own communication and language skills.

### **ONGOING ADMINISTRATIVE WORK:**

The volunteer will support the organisation's office and administrative work - by carrying out correspondence with partner organisations in the field of youth exchanges, training and volunteering, by carrying out external promotional activities and by assisting in the recruitment of volunteers for short-term volunteering.

Volunteers will be involved in promoting DEOR projects and activities for international projects EKS, E+, the Eurodesk point run by the Foundation, the publishing of dissemination reports and co-leading pre-departure trainings.

**More information:** <https://fundacja-cat.pl/news/w-2174/call-for-4-international-long-term-volunteers-in-fundacja-cat>