



**TRAINING FOR EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS VOLUNTEERING PROJECTS
04 - 09 JUNE, 2024 - ROBLE MORENO HOSTEL, RASCAFRÍA, SPAIN
CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS**



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This is a training course for youth workers to increase the quality and quantity of European Solidarity Corps projects and quality labels in ecovillages and other sustainability education projects. It will take place in the Hostel of Roble Moreno Association in Rascafría, Spain, from 04th to 09th June 2024. The participants will come from 14 countries: Spain, Hungary, Germany, Slovakia, Italy, Czechia, Netherlands, Portugal, Ukraine, Slovenia, Serbia, Poland, Romania and Armenia.

We will explore the possibilities the new programme generation of the European Solidarity Corps offers, and get into some background knowledge relevant to volunteering projects. We cover different aspects: bureaucratic procedures in all project stages (quality label, application, implementation and follow-up), practical aspects of integrating volunteers into the community, exchange of experience, meeting with local volunteers and more. The training is also a great networking opportunity. For a volunteering project you need a sending and a hosting partner, and you just might find one for your project here.

THE VENUE

The Campo Base hostel of the Roble Moreno Association is located in the town of Rascafría, a small mountain town located in the heart of the Sierra Norte de Madrid, within the Sierra del Guadarrama National Park. The Roble Moreno Association is an entity that has been working on local development and environmental education projects in the region for more than eighteen years, with the purpose of supporting the revitalization of the territory by generating projects that make life more livable in these small municipalities of the Northern Sierra. We started with the Mountain Schools, so that the little ones could create links with their territory and generate alternatives for sports and healthy leisure. We continued setting up instructor courses so that as these boys and girls grew older they could begin to work facilitating youth camps, activities and the mountain schools themselves...

Little by little these young people joined the project, and we also began to carry out activities for the health of our elders, accessible hiking projects, agroecology projects. The association has become a reference in the territory, but we needed a location, a place where we could centralize all the projects, store the material, meet and start an office. This is why we decided to rent an old closed mountain clothing factory, and set up the base camp project, where in addition to the Association's facilities, we set up a group hostel, where we could not only carry out our activities, but be able to accommodate other groups with similar objectives

We have two rooms for ten people in bunk beds and one for twenty, a central multipurpose room of more than 200 m², a meeting room, 3 double bathrooms, dining room and kitchen, as well as a 0,5 hectare plot with mountain views. The Campo Base is a shelter for groups to have a space for meeting and well-being

ACCOMODATION AND FOOD

The participants will stay in shared dorms. The meals will be vegan with some vegetarian options. If you have any special need regarding food or accommodation, please let us know in the application form. The venue will provide 3 meals a day.

TRAVEL AND COSTS

Arrival day is Monday 3rd of June after 14:00. Departure day is Monday 10th of June after breakfast. You need to be able to attend to the full duration of the activity in order to participate.

This project is co-funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the EU, which means that travel and participation costs are covered. Participants will have to buy their tickets in advance and will be reimbursed after the activity. If this arrangement is an obstacle to your participation, please let us know.

The tickets will be reimbursed up to a maximum amount that depends from the country where the travel starts. To be eligible as a participants, your country of departure and arrival have to be the same.

MAXIMUM REFUNDABLE AMOUNTS:

23€ Spain

210€ Portugal (**green travel! you are supposed to travel without a plane**)

320€ Germany, Slovakia, Italy, Czechia, Romania, Serbia, Hungary, Netherlands, Slovenia (**green travel + 1 extra night each way**)

410€ Ukraine, Poland (**green travel!**)

820€ Armenia

GREEN TRAVEL

To reduce the project's environmental footprint, participants from some countries will be asked to avoid flying for traveling to and from the training. Please make sure that you comply with this condition if you apply.

Participants from these countries will also be refunded for the costs of food and accomodation that they need to spend along the way. You will need to provide a proof of payment (tickets, etc.) and the maximum amount is 50€ per extra night spent on the way. Please note that this is not intended to support holidays or other detours before or after the training, and that the amount spent will be refunded only if it is part of a coherent travel plan coming from and going back to your place of residence.



HOW TO APPLY?

If you want to participate in this training, please fill [this questionnaire](#) before **Monday 22nd of April, 2024**.

Participants' selection will be based upon the information that you share with us in the questionnaire and consultation with the project's partner organisations. If you have any question, you can write to asociacionsolytierra@gmail.com



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