

FICHE MISSION

ESC Individual volunteering project in France with Concordia Rhône-Alpes and Ville de Chambéry "International Mobility Ambassador"

7 months project From January 2024 to July 2024

Concordia Rhône-Alpes, OID E10038526, as coordinating organization, proposes an ESC volunteering project in the hosting organisation called Ville de Chambéry, from January 2024 to July 2024 (7 months).

The City of Chambéry: a long history of commitment to the international scene

As a city of passage and crossroads, Chambéry is naturally turned towards its European neighbours. It is developing a proactive policy of international partnerships and is now strengthening its strategy of attractiveness and influence.

The City of Chambéry is involved in historic relations with the cities of Albstadt in Germany, Turin in Italy and the City of Ouahigouya in Burkina Faso, in an ambitious programme of decentralised cooperation. With the creation of the International Relations Department in 1991, the City also supports international associations in the area, participates in welcoming 1,500 foreign students, promotes international mobility and organises or co-organises structuring events linked to international affairs in Chambéry (Lafi Bala festival, Marché des continents, Tour du Monde au Manège, Quinzaine du Cinéma italien, Festival Migrant Scène, Chalets du Monde, Ciné Bala festival). Since 2014, the City of Chambéry has chosen to actively develop its international activity towards new territories (China, Lebanon and Quebec) and new themes (entrepreneurship, tourism, economy, mountains, etc.) while maintaining its commitments with its partner cities.

Coordination of the European project ALCOTRA ESCAPE

Led by the City of Chambéry, the European ESCAPE project - Evasion Scientifique pour Construire un Avenir Plus Ecologique (Scientific Escape to Build a More Ecological Future) - involves learning about the challenges of the ecological transition in the cross-border Alpine region in a fun, scientific way. More specifically, it aims to strengthen and disseminate the know-how of the scientific culture centres in Chambéry (Galerie Eurêka) and Turin (XKè? Il laboratorio della curiosità) in terms of educating teenagers (aged 11-14) about sustainable development.

The opening of a Europe Direct space in Chambéry

In May 2021, the city of Chambéry opened a Europe Direct space which offers a free information service to citizens to advise them and answer their questions on the European Union, how it works, its actions and its funding.

A desire to develop partnerships with new territories and to increase international exchanges

In 2020, the City of Chambéry opened two new areas of cooperation, one with a city in a developing or middle-income country, and the other with a European territory wishing to join the EU.

As part of its new youth policy and its commitment to European and international mobility, the City of Chambéry wishes to strengthen individual and collective hosting of young people, particularly in the context of the European Solidarity Corps.

Project environment

The volunteer will be hosted in the International Relations Department, in a municipal building, "La Dynamo". Located in the Hauts de Chambéry district, La Dynamo is a place of experimentation and social innovation which houses an ecosystem of actors, services and activities dedicated to youth, digital, professional integration, urban cultures, social innovation and international relations. La Dynamo has been awarded the Fabrique Numérique de Territoire label and now offers a "solidarity Fab lab" as well as a "resource" place to strengthen digital mediation actions in this neighbourhood.

Tasks and activities

Within the Directorate of International Relations Department of the City of Chambéry, the volunteer, under the responsibility of the Europe & International Project Manager (tutor), will support the implementation of the programme of activities, information and communication programme of the EUROPE DIRECT Centre in Chambéry.

They will be responsible for the following missions:

- To promote the European Solidarity Corps and the European mobility schemes to different audiences (schoolchildren, high school students, university students, young people, services of the City of Chambéry)
- To participate in the design and implementation of information, awareness-raising and dialogue activities and events on Europe (workshops, webinars, debates, educational activities, cultural and festive events, etc.), particularly to promote knowledge of international mobility. The events will be held face-to-face and online, for the general public and schoolchildren, in conjunction with the partners involved (cities of Grenoble and Annecy, associations, institutions, etc.);
- To support the organisation of international events that bring the city of Chambéry together, in particular the Marché des Continents
- To support the animation of social networks, the website and newsletters, communicating in particular on international mobility with testimonies of young people who have left or been hosted

The volunteer will be an integral part of the Dynamo team, interacting with the volunteers and civil service volunteers hosted at the Dynamo and participate in weekly service meetings.

The employee referent of Concordia, the support association, will accompany the volunteer in the process of personal development and will have an administrative role.

This person will work in close partnership with the tutor of the City of Chambéry and will accompany the volunteer in their volunteering project, in order to support their daily life and integration, and to help them to understand the learning process linked to their experience.

Throughout the stay, the time dedicated to individual support with the tutor of the City of Chambéry and the Concordia referent will allow for an exchange on possible difficulties encountered, as well as the formalization and capitalization of the learning outcomes of the volunteer. The Youthpass will be used during these meetings as a tool to help the volunteer to question their experiences and learnings,

and to have a document that will formalise and restitute the experience in order to valorise it later. The Concordia referent and the City of Chambéry tutor will finalise the Youthpass with the volunteer at the end of their mission.

The host service will be particularly vigilant about the quality of the reception and the daily support of the volunteer, who will benefit from the availability and attentiveness of their tutor. The tutor will ensure that the volunteer is well integrated into the service and will accompany them and offer them time for regular exchanges and reviews. The tutor will also ensure the quality of the resources needed to carry out their tasks (office, telephone, computer equipment, etc.). The volunteer will be encouraged to take French language courses within the framework of a partnership envisaged with the French Language training centre of the Savoie Mont Blanc University, which is accredited for international French language certification.

The volunteer will have a precise schedule and a clear definition of their tasks, but adaptations will be possible according to their aspirations or possible difficulties.

The City of Chambéry, in partnership with the Mission Locale Jeunes, will support the volunteer outside working hours, and will ensure their well-being by putting them in touch with other young people who will introduce the volunteer to activities, leisure activities and the wealth of the city and the territory.

Requirements

- Interest in international youth mobility and European issues
- Knowledge of the ERASMUS+ programme and the ESC would be a plus
- Ability to adapt to a new environment
- Ability to take initiative
- Ability to work in a team and in partnership but also independently
- Good interpersonal skills
- Digital skills (communication, social networks)
- A basic knowledge of French is recommended (to facilitate the integration process) Level A2 or B1
- Driving licence B

Practical conditions

Working Hours:

The volunteer will work 35 hours per week spread over 5 days. They will have 2 days of holidays per month (pro rata to the total duration of the volunteering) and national holidays.

Living conditions:

Accommodation will be provided for the volunteer. They will be accommodated in a furnished room or studio in a residence close to their workplace and to the city centre, easily accessible by bus. Furthermore, the volunteer will be provided with a transport card for travel.

Concordia will provide the volunteer with a monthly food allowance (\leq 9.00 per day) and a small allowance (pocket money) of 7.00 \leq per day for personal expenses.

Application deadline: 03/12/2023

Please send your CV and motivation letter to: Lucie ROZIER

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<u>and write</u> "International Mobility Ambassador" in the subject of the e-mail + specify your sending organization

Pre-selected candidates will be contacted the week of the 4^{th} of December Interviews are planned on Friday the 8^{th} of December