



# ***Lunaria >> 2025***

*International Workcamps Program*  
*“A moving world”*  
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## About us:

Lunaria is a *nonprofit association for social promotion*, secular, independent and autonomous from political parties, established in 1992.

It promotes peace, social and economic justice, equality and ensures the rights of citizenship, democracy and grassroots participation, social inclusion and intercultural dialogue.

Lunaria practices and promotes processes of social change locally, nationally and internationally through advocacy, political and cultural animation, communication, non-formal education, training and research, information and awareness campaigns and the networking.

Mobility and international volunteering, youth policy, migration and the fight against racism, public policy analysis budgetary, economic and social sustainable development, fight against inequality, are at the center of its social commitment.

Every year, Lunaria involves around 1000 young volunteers in its programmes, including workcamps, youth exchanges, medium and long term volunteering. This is possible thanks to the collaboration with the organizations of the Alliance of the European Voluntary Service Organizations and to the Italian network coordinated by Lunaria, where local groups, associations, cooperatives and municipalities can plan and implement international voluntary services projects.

“We ask the international volunteers to commit themselves in the mission of the hosting projects, having an **open mind**, and arriving aware that the accommodation conditions may not be suitable for those looking for cheap and comfortable holidays. Every project is made by many factors, and we need from the volunteers a problem-solving approach.”

The workcamp is coordinated by an experienced volunteer, who is not the boss of the camp: we ask the camp-coordinators to ease the first days of the camp and to involve the volunteers in being responsible for the project, using consensus methodology. The camp-coordinator is not at all responsible for volunteers' fun and the best camp has a camp-coordinator who slightly goes back to the status of normal volunteer.....So, prepare to take responsibilities!

**Age limits:** Teen projects 15-17, For adult camps see details in the program tables

**Common language used in the camps:** English

**Fees:** No fees in our projects

TEEN workcamps have a **participation fee of 250€** to cover the cost of the professional leaders and part of the project costs. No administrative costs are covered by the participation fee. Extra fee should be paid one month before the start of the workcamp by bank transfer.

Inscription fee for Italian volunteers is 130€.

**Insurance:** Lunaria provides insurance to all the volunteers

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# Lunaria Spring Program

CODE	NAME	LOCATION	START	END	WORK	VOLS	AGE	FEE €
LUNARESC01	Rural community empowerment	Casperia	23/04/25	08/05/25	RENO/ENVI	12	18-30	
LUNAR02	Cleaning the coast of Giglio	Giglio	13/05/25	26/05/25	ENVI/MANU	12	18-60	
LUNAR03	The Old Ways - Local Place and Path Care	Cevo	19/05/25	28/05/25	ENVI/MANU	10	18+	
LUNARESC04	Small rural communities	Roccantica	28/05/25	12/06/25	RENO/ENVI	12	18-30	
LUNAR05	Agape 1	Prali	07/06/25	19/06/25	MANU	5	18+	
LUNAR06	CARNIVALL TOGHETHER 1	Carignano, Turin	08/06/25	22/06/25	MANU/KIDS	8	18+	
LUNAR07	Wood care	Val di Nizza	13/06/25	23/06/25	ENVI/DISA	10	18-40	
LUNAR08	Crack Fest	Roma	15/06/25	25/06/25	FEST/MANU	10	21+	20€

**LUNARESC01 Rural community empowerment Rifugio Cognolo,Casperia 23/04/2025-08/05/2025  
ENVI/RENO VOLS: 12 AGE: 18-30**

**PARTNER** : Ala is a promotion association specializing in activities for youth and adults in rural areas. The focus of its work is in Sabina, an agricultural area north of Rome (40 km) where it has made local development and youth policies its main vocation. The association works to build the idea of an inclusive educational community where everyone has the opportunity to find the space to express themselves, outside of any judgment, social or political. Daily it deals with youth aggregation, active citizenship and participation, reception and receptivity, local development for sustainable tourism, and redevelopment of spaces abandoned or disused public spaces.

**PROJECT** : Since 2014 Ala has managed the Cognolo Refuge, a mid-mountain mountain hut, brought back to life from a situation of degradation and abandonment, where it carries out hospitality, educational activities, experiences related to nature, and the enhancement of the territory. Running a refuge is an act of care for this rural area, offering an active garrison over the mountain area and facilitating access to the hinterland for all, making known the beauty of these mountains. The day-to-day management of the refuge requires constant maintenance and renovation, which is why the camp focuses on this space by offering volunteers the experience of living in a mountain refuge in its wildness and using this space as a place for experimentation where they can express their creativity and rediscovering the value of manual skills and traditional knowledge. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals: **SustainableCommunities -SDG11, SustainableConsumption&Production-SDG12**

**WORK :** Volunteers will work on the maintenance of the space and area around Cognolo Refuge (maintenance of trails, construction, and restoration of terraces, collection of wood for the winter season, construction of tables, chairs, or other necessary elements, maintenance and cleaning of the spaces, making tent pitches, fire areas etc...). Volunteer could discover the area by exploring flora and fauna local, learning about animal tracks and more. Group life, shared management of cooking, cleaning, and convivial moments between games, excursions, and experiences. During the camp you will participate in the creation of an annual festive event on the occasion of the May 1st anniversary, contributing to the logistics and management of the public event.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD :** The group is housed in tents in the camping area around the shelter. The shelter and spaces inside are used by staff for cooking and rain emergencies. Scarcity of resources - the shelter has electricity. Spartan housing to keep with shared bathrooms, compost toilets, and solar showers. Management of space cleaning and meal preparation will be handled by volunteers themselves through cleaning/cooking shifts. The group will have access to a pantry based on which to build a weekly menu respecting allergies/intolerances and diet particulars. Please note that given the season it is important to bring with you adequate equipment such as thermal sleeping bags suitable for the colder days.

**TERMINAL :** Rome Fiumicino FCO and then direct train to Poggio Mirteto or Rome Ciampino CIA and then bus connection to Rome Tuscolana and then train to Poggio Mirteto.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS :** The camp takes place at 1000m, it is accessible by hiking and takes volunteers to immerse themselves in a dimension outside the usual. It requires a high sense of adaptation, the ability to disconnect from digital devices and an internet connection, desire to disconnect from everyday life to connect with a life more in relationship with the people one has around and nature.

Come with proper equipment and be ready to go hiking (trekking shoes, working clothes, etc...).

Be ready to become part of a local small community. Be open minded.

This project is supported by the European Solidarity Corps. Food and accommodation are covered by the European Union. Transportation costs will be refunded according to the distance band rules of the programme. No fees are required. The workcamps are open for international volunteers (coming from EU ESC countries projects).

## **LUNAR02 "Cleaning the coast of Giglio", Isola del Giglio (Tuscany), 13/05/2025-26/05/2025**

**ENVI/MANU VOLS: 12 AGE: 18-60**

**PARTNER :** The workcamp is organized by Proloco, a cultural organization, that has among its institutional tasks the valorization of the natural, cultural and historical resources of Giglio island, as well as the realization of initiatives of touristic interest. The Pro.Loco promotes the workcamp in collaboration with the municipality and a network of associations in the area: Lega Navale, Giglio Ambiente and a Consortium of local waste companies, which work together every year to clean the island's coastline.

**PROJECT :** The Mediterranean Sea, although constituting less than 1% of the planet's water surface, is the sixth area of accumulation of waste in the world. Plus, during winter storms, waves dump an important amount of waste, mainly plastic. And an Island like ours, which lives mainly on tourism, the care and maintenance of its natural resources is the first ticket to see, as well as the minimum requirement to allow our visitors to live the fantastic experience they deserve. The objective of this project is to reduce the waste on the island's coast which would benefit the environment and tourism. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals: **Climate Action-SDG13; Life below water-SDG14.**

**WORK :** Volunteers will be asked to collect wastes along the coastline of the island during the project. The activities will be concentrated mainly in the morning hours. The volunteers, together with local groups, will carry out various activities: cleaning the beaches, collecting plastic material (bottles, polystyrene boxes, corks, abandoned fishing tools) for disposal. Volunteers will be accompanied to the places of collection of waste either by car, or on foot along the paths of trekking, or by sea with boats, while the waste will always be collected and brought to the dump by sea by specialized personnel. Please, be prepared for a physically

demanding work.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD :** Volunteers will be hosted in a flat with shared rooms. All supplies will be guaranteed, 3 bathrooms/showers, wi-fi connection, use of washing machine and kitchen. The volunteers will take care of the common areas and prepare meals. Vegetarian food is available.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE :** The island of Giglio is part of the Tuscan Archipelago National Park and the "Cetacean Sanctuary" protected area. The Island of Giglio, situated opposite Monte Argentario, covers an area of 21 square kilometers, is the second largest island in the Tuscan Archipelago and is renowned for its natural beauty: the crystal-clear emerald sea, with its rich and fishy seabed, frames an area that is still 90% wild. In addition to its natural heritage of beaches and coastline, the island has two towns, Giglio Castello, a charming medieval village that stands on the heights of the island, and Giglio Porto, the island's only port, small and picturesque, with multicolored houses and a clear sea. Isola del Giglio has a resident community of about 1000 people, mainly engaged in tourist activities, strongly linked to their territory and always used to dealing with new visitors. **TERMINAL :** The nearest airport is Leonardo da Vinci in Rome Fiumicino, the railway station is Orbetello Scalo. Giglio Island can be reached by ferry from Porto Santo Stefano (1 hour). It takes 4 hours to reach the island of Giglio from Rome Fiumicino airport.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS :** Volunteers will support coastal cleanup; we recommend that you know how to swim and not get seasick. Some activities will be by boat

**LUNAR03 "The Old Ways - Local Place and Path Care", Cevo, 19/05/2025-28/05/2025 ENVI/MANU VOL:10 AGE: 18+**

**PARTNER :** Casa del Parco Adamello is a multifunctional, community place where people can meet and discuss around mountain culture. It is a space committed to territorial promotion where we can draw a path focused on enhancing potential and local resources. Here we arrange cultural events, workshops and training addressed to social innovators and people involved in mountain areas development.

**PROJECT :** We co-design camps together with environmental activists: side by side with the community of communities - both local and elected - and institutions, we want to contribute to Valsaviore's economic, cultural, environmental, and social development. In line with these objectives, the main purpose of this camp is to provide opportunities for concrete action in a wonderful, fragile and precious mountain context, to encourage meeting, exchange and intercultural dialogue between international volunteers and local communities. Not a secondary effect, the volunteers' activity would translate into concrete actions capable of allowing inhabitants and tourists to experience the mountains and the territory safely and without risks, making it a more welcoming, inclusive and attractive place. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals: **Sustainable Communities -SDG11, Sustainable Consumption & Production-SDG12, and Life On Land-SDG15**

**WORK :** **Volunteers** will be mainly involved in cleaning and maintaining the high and medium mountain and agro-silvo-pastoral paths adjacent to the hostel, as well as supporting the activities of agricultural companies. They will also be involved in restoring the signs of the local paths and in taking care of the greenery of the large park surrounding the hostel. For the identification of the routes, obtaining permits, on-site accompaniment and assistance during the carrying out of activities relating to the paths, we avail ourselves of the support and collaboration of the Cedegolo section of the Italian Alpine Club (CAI), of the Valcamonica Mountain Community, of the municipal administrations of Cevo and Saviore dell'Adamello and finally of some agricultural companies in Valsaviore. The shifts will be 5 hours per day, for 5 days a week, excluding Saturday and Sunday.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD :** Meals will be served mainly in the hostel with a predominantly vegetarian menu, however variations may be made to meet different needs. Where necessary, volunteers

are expected to bring a packed lunch, while on other days they will have lunch together with the local community or at the farms that will host them for their tasks. Main meals are provided (breakfast, lunch, dinner); the remainder are paid by each volunteer. Participants will be hosted at the Casa del Parco hostel and accommodated in several shared rooms: each room has 4 to 5 beds, private bathroom and shower. There are several common areas, including reading rooms, a restaurant and a large outdoor garden, as well as free Wi-Fi (due to the location of the facility in a closed valley, we cannot guarantee a fast connection in case of heavy crowds) and the possibility of using the washing machine once a week.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE** : Cevo (province of Brescia, Italy) is a small mountain village of 800 inhabitants located inside the Adamello Regional Park, at an altitude of 1,100 m. Placed at the junction of two valleys closed by the head of Adamello glacier, it offers a barely anthropic, natural environment which counts on a reduced tourism flow. An atmosphere foreign to urban chaos where time seems to flow slowly, ideal to hike surrounded by nature. Most local people do not speak English fluently.

**TERMINAL** : Once you land at Orio al Serio airport (Milan Bergamo), take the transfer to Brescia station. From here, take the Trenord Brescia-Iseo-Edolo railway line and get off at Cedegolo station. Trains from Brescia to Cedegolo leave approximately every two hours. From Cedegolo station in Cevo, take the direct bus 23a, which leaves from Piazza Roma (about 500 meters after the train station) and has Cevo/Saviore dell'Adamello as its destination.

**LUNARESC04 “Small rural communities”, Roccantica, 28/05/2024-12/06/2024 ENVI/RENO VOLS: 12 AGE: 18-30**

**PARTNERS** : ALA Associazione Liberi Artigiani – organization active since 2009, work to develop educational framework and workshops specializing in activities for youth and adults in the rural areas. The focus of its work is in Sabina, an agricultural area north of Rome ( 40km) where it has made local development and youth policies its main vocation. The methodology and the educational approach mixes non formal methods, art, creativity, and outdoor practices.

**PROJECT** : The association works to build an idea of an inclusive educational community where everyone can find the space to express themselves, outside of any social judgment. Daily it deals with youth aggregation, active citizenship, and participation, welcome and receptivity and local development for the purposes of sustainable tourism, redevelopment of abandoned or disused public spaces. Since 2014 it has managed several reception spaces, including two shelters, a hostel and a library. In Roccantica, ALA manages the small Youth Hostel, a multifaceted hospitality space that functions as a driving force for the animation of the association's activities that revolve around cultural animation and hospitality.

**WORK** : The days will be structured by providing for a part of manual work and redevelopment and preparation of the area, also with the construction of mobile structures, and creation of signs and paths. Volunteers will arrange a camping area that in the summer will host children for summer camps, volunteers and tourists in the participation in events organized by the municipality and proloco to attract rural tourism. During the camp there will be moments of conviviality with the community in order to facilitate intercultural exchange, and leisure activities for the discovery of the mountain area, including hiking and more. Volunteers will work around 5 - 6 hours each day. Furthermore the group will live and shared management of cooking, cleaning and convivial moments including games, excursions and other experiences. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals: **Reduce inequality -SDG10** and **SustainableCommunities-SDG11**

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD** : The group is accommodated in a hostel, in shared dormitories with 6 beds per room, shared bathrooms and facilities. The management for cleaning the spaces and the

preparation of meals will be managed by the volunteers themselves through cleaning/cooking shifts. The group will have access to a pantry based on which to build a weekly menu respecting allergies/intolerances and particular diets.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE** :Roccantica is a small village in the Province of Rieti in the Italian region Latium. It is located about 50 kilometers northeast of Rome and about 20 kilometers southwest of Rieti. During their free time, volunteers could make some excursions, workshops and sports.

**TERMINAL** : Rome Fiumicino airport (FCO) and then direct train to Poggio Mirteto and then bus to Roccantica.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS** : Be ready to become part of the local small community in a rural context in a small mountain village. Be open minded. This project is supported by the European Solidarity Corps. Food and accommodation are covered by the European Union. Transportation costs will be refunded according to the distance band rules of the programme. No fees are required. The workcamps are open for international volunteers (coming from EU ESC countries projects).

### **LUNAR05 "Agape 1", Prali, 07/06/2025-19/06/2025 MANU VOL: 5 AGE: 18+**

**PARTNER** : It's been ten years that Lunaria and Agape are working side by side to create a space where people can meet in harmony. Agape International Ecumenical Centre is an important point of reference in Italian Protestantism, being for 70 years a place of education and development, theological exploration, political engagement, acceptance and validation of differences. A resident group still lives at Agape throughout the year. Agape was built after the Second World War as a sign of hope and reconciliation between people, thanks to the voluntary work of many young men and women. The dimensions of community and voluntary service remain fundamental. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals: **QualityEducation-SDG4 and GenderEquality-SDG5 Reduce inequality SDG510 Promote peaceful and inclusive societies SDG516**

**PROJECT** : Every year many people, with different ages and religious, cultural and political backgrounds, come to Agape to discuss and to be challenged, to get to know themselves and each other and to exchange experiences around a particular theme. The work camp will support the management and support the meetings on issues of political, social, cultural and religious interest. The center is volunteers-driven, and its management is in your hands.

**WORK** : The workcamp is an international experience, giving the volunteers the opportunity to meet young people from all over the world. In terms of communication, the main watchword at the Center is diversity and open-mindedness. This is your chance to discover different cultures, and ideas and exchange experiences. The work accomplished on each camp is very important, the volunteers themselves are the main reason for Agape is able to keep organizing more and more projects every year. Thanks to a group of people living there all year long (the so-called Resident group), but also to the ecumenical and international community coming to help, the center has an effect on its visitors' life. As a volunteer, you will be asked to work with the Resident Group. Every Resident has a sector for which they are responsible (kitchen, cleaning, bar, maintenance,... and so on), in which you will help them, and each of the Residents will be there to help you and support you. You will have 6-7 working hours per day. The Centre will organize every year's national camps in the place and the international group will work in parallel with the permanent residence to guarantee the running of all other project schedules. Volunteers will help in the following tasks: kitchen, meal service (tables and dishes), cleaning, maintenance, bartending, and babysitting.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD** : Volunteers will be host in 3-4 bed bedrooms with shared toilets on the floor. The meals are typical Italian Mediterranean cuisine, with limited consumption of meat for environmental reasons, and the possibility of choices for those who require a special diet. There is a washing machine available for the volunteers.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE** : Agape is in the Alps, close to Prali commune. Games, discussions, and outings can be organized during free time. Programmed activities (especially in the evening) are most of the time open to the volunteers, as long as they do not clash with work commitments. The place is beautiful but

isolated, though you will stay together with many international participants attending the meetings of Agape.

**TERMINAL** : Torino-Caselle airport, and then Caselle Aeroporto train station.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS** : Volunteers should come ready to accomplish each task and with an open mind. Travel to Agape can be complicated, very isolated place .

**LUNAR06 " CARNIVALL TOGHETHER 1", Carignano, 08/06/2025 – 22/06/2025 KIDS/MANU VOL: 8  
AGE: 18+**

**PARTNER** : The camp is organized by Lunaria in collaboration with "Giovani Insieme". The association is composed of young people for young people founded in October 1998 in Carignano with the aim of protecting, promoting and enhancing artistic, historical and architectural heritage, nature and the environment, by proposing summer work camps for young volunteers from all over Europe.

**PROJECT** : The workcamps in Carignano were started to restore some rooms in a building in the historical center of the town. Through this project volunteers have the opportunity to recover Carignano's architectural heritage and enjoy the environment whilst meeting young people from all over the world. Moreover "Giovani Insieme" organizes different local events such as summer camps for local children, cultural exhibitions, etc. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goal:

**Climate Action-SDG13**

**WORK** : Volunteers will work with children from 6 to 13 years old (Italian speaking) in the summer camp of the village from Monday to Friday. We'll be focused on the historical tradition of carnival in Carignano and we'll create some carnival costumes for the final show. The local team of volunteers will support the international ones for translation, but, don't forget to be flexible in this. For an amazing experience of exchange, they could talk about carnival traditions in their countries and also teach the children typical songs or dances. Every week the volunteers will go once to a retirement home to present their countries. There will also be an activity in a protected area cutting bamboo to protect the endemic vegetation and use it for the activities in the summer camp. Some of Carignano's families will host the volunteers for a dinner in their home to share their culture and way of life. The last day there'll be the opportunity to participate to the "Gay pride parade" in Turin

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD** : Volunteers will be hosted in an ancient building (under restoring) with beds, communal bathrooms with 2 showers and hot water and a kitchen. Bedrooms are provided with 4 to 6 beds per room. The volunteers are responsible for the cleaning and cooking. Food is provided by the host organization. Volunteers must be equipped with a sleeping bag (or sheets), pillowcase and towels.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE** : The town of Carignano (8700 inhabitants) is situated on the left bank of the river Po approximately 20 Km from Torino and within the Regional Parco Fluviale (park of the river). Its center is of typical "piemontese" style, characterized by an ancient core with medieval archways and a baroque cathedral. The town's surroundings offer sites of architectural and naturalistic interest, it is also possible to reach Turin easily, as there are frequent coaches to the city. During the free time there are many exciting things to do such as visit the open market of Carignano and take part in some local events. On the weekends it will be possible for the group to organize a visit to Turin (there is a bus to and from Turin), visiting the Egyptian museum, the cinema museum, MAO museum of oriental art, the Holy Shroud etc. The costs of the FREE TIMES activities are not covered by the project.

**TERMINAL:** Nearest Airport Turin; Turin railway station; **MEETING POINT** in CARIGNANO bus station, It takes approximately 2/3 hours to reach the bus station from Turin airport.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS** : It is important to keep in mind that you'll be working with children, which is different than working with adults, and to be prepared to work on manual tasks, which can be challenging at times.



**LUNAR07 "Wood Care", Val di Nizza, 13/06/2025-23/06/2025 ENVI/DISA VOLS: 8 AGE:18+**

**PARTNER** The Ortica association aims to work with adolescents and adults with autism spectrum disorder and other intellectual and sensory disabilities, supporting the autonomy and independence and offering them habilitative and rehabilitative pathways, with an inclusive orientation. In Val di Nizza (PV) they manage the Cascina Croce Piaggi structure, owned by the 'Oltre il Blu' Foundation, offering them opportunities for temporary or permanent stays in a community setting.

**PROJECT:** Oltre il Blu (Beyond the Blue) is an initiative, created by a group of parents, seeks to foster full development of abilities and ensure a more independent future for their children. A house has been purchased in a rural area to provide a community environment, where live in nature. The aim of the project is to re-think the nature in a new way, developing new ways to help and interact with the ecosystem into a community way of thinking. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals: **Climate Action-SDG13; Reduce Inequality-SDG510.**

**WORK:** Volunteers will work in the woods surrounding Cascina Croce Piaggi, an area that requires restoration and care to ensure a peaceful environment for wildlife. In collaboration with the local association and forestry authorities, volunteers will help enhance the area. The tasks will primarily involve on-site work, such as redefining paths with paint, maintaining existing plants, and planting new ones. Volunteers will also construct birdwatching shelters to promote exploration of the woods. Additionally, they will focus on cleaning the forest by removing dry vegetation, marking trails in partnership with CAI - Voghera, and identifying and cataloging plant species in cooperation with the Volo di Rondine Association. The project will also include building a bench made from recycled pellets, providing a resting spot for travelers in the woods. International volunteers will work with the young people with autism spectrum that live in the Cascina.

**FOOD AND ACCOMODATION :**The volunteers will be host in a farmhouse called Croce Piaggi. Oltre Il Blu has a large garden (over one hectare) with an outdoor swimming pool, and a panoramic lounge with 80 seats. There will be 4 rooms with 3 beds in each. Kitchen and toilets are provided. The volunteers are responsible for the cleaning and cooking. Food is provided by the host organization.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE TIME :** Val di Nizza (Val Nisa in the Oltrepò Pavese dialect) is a scattered Italian municipality of 576 inhabitants in the province of Pavia in Lombardy. It is located in the high hills of Oltrepò Pavese, in the valley of the Nizza stream. The surrounding area is filled with nature and paths and medieval castles. The surroundings of the farmstead (Cascina Piaggi) are surrounded by woods, the environment is peaceful and green with opportunities for sports, walking, swimming pool, open-air cinema. **TERMINAL** Milan airport. You can take public transports from there to reach Val di Nizza, it is around 3 h.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS :** It is important to keep in mind that you'll be working with young people with autism spectrum that in general spent they days in the Cascina during summer. A professional educator will work with the group

**LUNAR08 "Crack Fest", Rome, 15/06/2025-25/06/2025 FEST/MANU VOLS: 10 AGE: 21+ EXTRA FEE:20**

**PARTNER:** The workcamp is organized by Forte Prenestino Social Center, in Rome. Forte Prenestino is one of the most important alternative cultural and social project in Italy. It was squatted more than 30 years ago, and now is the promoter of many cultural underground events, hosting an alternative community of artists, activists and social workers. The center has become a place of cultural production, autonomously managed and economically independent. The main goal of their work is to bring together understanding and action; social rights and voluntary activities; the local and the global. They promote not-for-profit projects, which could be useful for the local communities, fight racism and increase intercultural exchanges.

**PROJECT :** The “Crack” International Comics Festival is organized every year by Forte Prenestino Social Center, in Rome. Crack festival will involve editors and artists coming mainly from European and Mediterranean countries: 4 days of exhibitions, workshops and cultural exchange will involve hundreds of youngsters and experts. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goal: **SustainableCommunities-SDG11**

**WORK :** During the festival, the place is going to host hundreds of artists and thousands of spectators, so the international volunteers will be asked to join the local volunteers to manage the entire organization of the event. An average of 6 to 7 hours per day is required, with possible activities organized on the event nights. The volunteers' work is going to involve : the logistic set up, the pub & restaurant tending, the cleanup and other activities proposed by the organizers. After the event, the volunteers will help taking down the structures and cleaning the fortress. The work can be physically hard (and it will be very hot), but the environment will be funny and easy going. The motto is to “Share, Work and Have Fun”. In a few words, get ready to be active and to give your energy to the community working at the Forte Prenestino.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD :** The volunteers are going to sleep in a dormitory, yet they will have to bring a sleeping bag. During the festival, they can possibly be asked to sleep a few nights in tents. Please, take good note that the accommodation is really basic. Hand in hand with your team-mates, you will have to clean and to prepare the dorm at your arrival. Consequently, we want you to be aware that the comfort on the camp will be simply basic. The toilets will be collective and they are not what we could call *de luxe*. As for the showers, they will probably be outside (open air showers), so don't forget your swimsuit/swimming trunks. Regarding the meals, the volunteers are going to use the kitchen for breakfasts and will have meals at the restaurant: they will be asked to help the cooks.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE :** The Camp takes place in Rome. Forte Prenestino Social Center is located in one of these fortresses around the city, in a big working-class neighborhood called Centocelle.

**TERMINAL :** Fiumicino Rome airport + train or shuttle bus to Termini Station / Ciampino airport + shuttle bus to Termini Station.

**REQUIREMENTS :** To be open minded and ready to live in an alternative community. This project request a motivation letter and to sign an agreement to confirm the understanding of the project. Expect a very very basic accommodation.

**EXTRA FEE :** 20€

**LUNAR09 “ValpoWorkCamp”, San Pietro a Cairano, 16/06/25-29/06/25 MANU/AGRI VOLS: 7 AGE: 18-30**

**PARTNER :** Hermete is a social cooperative created in 1997 that mainly works in the Valpolicella area. Hermete aims to realize socio-cultural projects for the community and the territory, having quality and innovation as big targets. Hermete highly believes in networking, this is why it operates at a local, national, and European level with partners that seriously and passionately believe that education and culture are essential tools to the development and growth of our society.

**PROJECT :** The work camp is organized in collaboration with by Hermete and Rugby Valpolicella. This is the ninth edition of the work camp organized in Valpolicella . One of the goal of the work camp is to create opportunities for sharing and encourage cultural exchange between the volunteers and the local community. This year, the workcamp is part of the META project and will actively involve volunteers in maintenance and improvement tasks for Rugby Valpolicella's facilities. By joining this workcamp you will contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals: **Sustainable Communities SDG #11**

**WORK :**Volunteers will be engaged in maintenance and improvement tasks for the rugby field and its facilities. Their contributions will include simple manual work such as painting, cleaning, basic repairs, and other upkeep activities needed to enhance the functionality and appearance of the spaces. The volunteers will collaborate closely with the Rugby Valpolicella staff and local community members involved in the project, fostering teamwork and cultural exchange. Through this work, participants will not only support local sports activities but also become an integral part of a collaborative effort to enhance the infrastructure

of a vital community resource. This collaboration highlights the shared values of teamwork and inclusion, creating a unique opportunity for cultural and social exchange between international volunteers and local residents. The volunteers will work approximately 5 hours per day, 5 days a week, dedicating their efforts to making a tangible difference while building connections within the community.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** The group will be hosted in a room from the local school in the village of San Pietro in Cariano, they will have one bathroom and will sleep in the same room. They will have the shared responsibility to cook their meals and manage to keep the place clean in the Rugby area, 600m from the school. Food for the main meals will be provided according to the special needs of the volunteers and will be a prevalently vegetarian menu.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE :** The volunteers will sleep and work in the village of San Pietro in Cariano, a village in Valpolicella hills. Here the landscape is mainly rural and is covered with its famous vineyards. The principal activity of the region is in fact winemaking. In their free time the volunteers will have the chance to meet local people, participate in local events, explore and discover the nearby cities, lake and all the things that this territory has to offer. **TERMINAL :** The nearest airport is Verona Airport "Valerio Catullo". Verona city can also be easily reached by train from Milan, Venice, and Bologna. From Verona train station there is a bus to reach San Pietro in Cariano.