



**LEGAMBIENTE**

**WORKCAMPS 2026**

## who we are

Legambiente is a non-profit leading environmental organisation in Italy that works for the safeguarding and enhancement of natural resources; environment; common health; animal and plant species; historical, artistic and cultural heritage; territories and landscapes. It is formed by 20 regional committees and around 1000 local groups. Since its foundation in 1980, Legambiente's hallmark is the **scientific environmentalism**, which is the willingness to build every environmental protection project on a solid base made of scientific data.

Legambiente's mission is to **make environmental culture at the centre of a new kind of development and diffused well-being**. Important values for the association are the improvement of environmental quality, the fight against all forms of pollution, a wise use of natural resources, the construction of a more balanced relationship between human beings and the nature. Spreading those values could be an effective way to respond to the challenges of our time: the modernization of the economy, the commitment to beat unemployment, the struggle for peace and against all forms of discrimination and social injustice, the effort to consider globalization not only as a mere trading of goods but also as a means to improve quality of life and to give rights to billions of men and women forced to live in poverty.

Legambiente has been organising volunteering campaigns since 1991, promoting summer-camps in many protected areas both in Italy and abroad.

Voluntary work camps have three main objectives:

- safeguard and **enhance the Italian environmental, historical, cultural and artistic heritage**;
- raise the awareness of local communities and foreign volunteers about the **value of the natural and cultural heritage** and spread **sustainable and responsible lifestyles**;
- build **peace** through **cultural exchange**.

Voluntary projects also help in promoting green tourism, developing **sustainable economy**, stimulating people to be active citizens and participate in decision-making processes that shape their future as communities.

**Work organization.** Each workcamp can be differently organized according to its specific needs.

Volunteers will be working approximately 30 hours/week. Sometimes they may be asked for working over the weekend or early in the morning in case of high temperature.

Volunteers are expected to be open-minded, flexible, and adaptable to different situations. Moreover, they need to be inclined to face either lacks or unexpected events with a positive attitude.

Not elsewhere specified, special skills are not required. Nevertheless, participation, enthusiasm and motivation are welcome!

Usually volunteers sleep in mixed rooms. Single or double rooms are not available.

Shifts for cooking and cleaning are scheduled during the first day.

Each volunteer is responsible for all aspects of the daily life on the work camp.

**Food.** In the most part of our workcamps food will be almost vegetarian and based on local products. Volunteers will eat meat a very few times.

**Language:** English is the official language of the workcamp. Nonetheless, in some workcamps implemented in remote villages, local communities can only speak Italian.

Each workcamp will host a maximum of 2 volunteers for each country, in order to create a heterogeneous group and to foster a real cultural exchange.

**Participation fee:** No fee in our projects.

**Insurance:** Volunteers are insured for permanent damages caused by accidents and third person liability. For non-European volunteers, it is recommended to be provided with a health insurance.

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## Legambiente's workcamps

# Legambiente Workcamp Program 2026

Code	Name	Location	Start Date	End Date	Work type	Vols	Age	Language
LEG01	Love the mountains in Orobie Park - Alpe Dosso	Sondrio, Lombardia	28/06/2026	11/07/2026	ENVI	10	18+	English
LEG02	EYA - Love the mountains in Orobie Park - Castello dell'Acqua	Sondrio, Lombardia	05/07/2026	18/07/2026	ENVI; MANU;	7	18+	English
LEG03	Etna explorers	Catania, Sicily	21/08/2026	31/08/2026	ENVI	12	18+	English
LEG04	Protect Our Beaches: Waves of Change	Lecco, Lombardia	02/07/2026	14/07/2026	ENVI; LANG;	6	18+	Eng -Italian
LEG05	EYA - Experiencing and conveying the emotions of the "Terre Alte" (high lands)	Brescia, Lombardia	15/07/2026	25/07/2026	ENVI	10	18+	English
LEG06	San Rossore Summer, Between Biodiversity and History	Pisa, Tuscany	15/06/2026	29/06/2026	ENVI/MA NU/RENO	10	18+	English
LEG07	EYA - Vesuvio Work camp national park	Napoli, Campania	25/08/2026	05/09/2026	ENVI	15	18+	English
LEG08	Volunteers for the restoration of dry stone walls	Chieti, Abruzzo	05/08/2026	13/08/2026	ENVI	12	18+	English
LEG09	Volunteers for the restoration of the dry stone walls	Chieti, Abruzzo	20/08/2026	29/08/2026	MANU	14	18+	English
LEG10	Volunteers in Campo dei Fiori	Varese, Lombardia	03/08/2026	17/08/2026	ENVI	12	18+	English
LEG11	EYA - Paths for Climate Action 1	Potenza, Basilicata	17/07/2026	27/07/2026	ENVI	15	18+	English
LEG12	EYA - Paths for Climate Action 2	Potenza, Basilicata	31/07/2026	10/08/2026	ENVI	15	18+	English
LEG13	Amici Dell'AMI (Anfiteatro Morenico di Ivrea)	Torino, Piemonte	27/07/2026	08/08/2026	ENVI	12	18+	English
LEG14	EYA - Zovencedo Work Camp	Vicenza, Veneto	05/07/2026	19/07/2026	ENVI/MAN U/RENO	10	18+	English
LEG15	Volunteering for <b>Youth Climate Meeting 2026</b>	Paestum, Campania	18/05/2026	25/05/2026	ENVI/FES T	10	18+	Eng -Italian
LEG16 TEEN	Go biking on the coast	Venezia, Veneto	01/07/2026	13/07/2026	ENVI	7	14 - 17	English
LEG17	RAN - Sun, Heart, Love and Biodiversity for a better world	Paestum, Campania	22/06/2026	03/07/2026	ENVI	9	18+	English

# Lego1 Love the mountains in Orobie Park - Alpe Dosso

**DELEBIO, province of Sondrio, Lombardy**

**28/06/2026-11/07/2026**

Volunteers will take on the task of keeping the footpaths clean and will get to enjoy exciting hiking trips in the amazing nature of the park!



**PROJECT:** Participants will be involved in interventions of environmental enhancement, such as: maintenance of footpaths, cleaning of pasture lands and preparing hay for the deer. The camp will take place in the mountains and volunteers will have to walk to reach the areas of work and the mountain hut where they will stay as well. In order to better enjoy this experience, volunteers are requested to have a great will to walk and work. They will be working with the constant help of experienced volunteers of Consorzio Montagna Viva, who will provide the necessary tools.

**PARTNER:** LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP. Legambiente Lecco is made up of young and dynamic people, mostly under 30. The main activity of this local group is the management of an eco-hostel in Monte Barro Park in Galbiate. It is also involved in campaigns against food waste and clean-ups, it organizes Erasmus+ projects for young people and promotes sustainable mobility with the project "Piedibus" in Lecco.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The camp will take place in the gorgeous Orobie Valtellinesi Mountains Park. Specifically, the volunteers will stay in Alpe Dosso, but they will also explore the surrounding area both during the working activities and during their free time. They will have the chance to take part in some beautiful hiking trips in the park. It is important to acknowledge that the mountain hut is quite isolated from the town and it will only be possible to visit Delebio on the first and last day.

**WORK:** Participants will be involved in interventions of environmental enhancement, such as: maintenance of footpaths, cleaning of pasture lands and preparing hay for the deer. During the activities they will be guided by the expert volunteers of Consorzio Montagna Viva, who will also provide the necessary tools. The volunteers will be working for approximately 5 hours per day, depending also on the weather. **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:** The coordinators of the camp may organise some sustainability workshop, depending on the weather and on the group.

**TERMINAL:** The afternoon of the first day in Colico or Delebio railway station. The closest airports are: Milan Bergamo Airport, Milano Malpensa Airport and Milano Linate airport. From there you can take shuttle buses or a train called Malpensa express (from Malpensa airport) that will take you to Milano Centrale station. From there you have to take the train to Tirano (not Torino!!) and get off in Colico or Delebio railway station.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** For the first and the last night, volunteers will be hosted in the parish of Delebio. For the rest of the days they will stay in the mountain hut of Alpe Dosso (1600 m). The diet will be vegetarian.

## **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:**

In order to better enjoy this experience volunteers are requested to have a great will to walk and work, given that all the activities will be in the Nature and will require appropriate equipment (such as hiking boots and mountain shirts). Volunteers will be involved in working activities for about 30 hours per week.

**LANGUAGE:** English

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# Lego2 Love the mountains in Orobie Park - Castello dell'acqua

Preserving the  
beautiful  
environment  
of Orobie  
Valtellinesi  
Mountains  
Park!



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**CASTELLO DELL'ACQUA**  
province of Sondrio, Lombardy  
05/07/2026-18/07/2026

**PROJECT:** Our committed volunteers will take care of some green spaces and footpaths close to some important ethnographic sites in Castello dell'Acqua and in the surrounding area, and they will need to have a great will to walk and work. The aim of the project is to get to know the nature of the park and its biodiversity, learn about the importance of conservation and discover the traditions of a mountain community.

**PARTNER:** LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP: Legambiente Lecco is made up of young and dynamic people, mostly under 30. The main activity of this local group is the management of an eco-hostel in Monte Barro Park in Galbiate. It is also involved in campaigns against food waste and clean-ups, it organizes Erasmus+ projects and promotes sustainable mobility with the project "Piedibus" in Lecco.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** Volunteers will be shown all the places and costumes of the local farming culture. Teglio, a well-known locality famous for the making of Pizzoccheri, is near Castello dell'Acqua, as well as Tirano. People living in Castello dell'Acqua are really looking forward to welcoming volunteers from all over the world and will gladly help them with their tasks. The group will also enjoy some excursions in the surrounding woods.

**WORK:** Volunteers will be asked to take care of pathways in the area surrounding Castello Dell'Acqua. These paths are very important because each of them leads to old mills and ethnographic sites. Moreover, being near to a natural park they are used by excursionists. Volunteers will have to cut and collect the grass, remove shrubs and assist local volunteers' groups who are going to collaborate to the maintenance of the woods. In the period of time in which the camp will take place, some running competitions in the area might take place. Volunteers might be asked to signalize the paths and assist the organization of running competitions. The volunteers will be working for approximately 5 hours per day, depending also on the weather. **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:** Camp leaders may organise some learning activities about sustainability, according to the weather and the other volunteers.

**TERMINAL:** Tresenda-Aprica-Teglio railway station, in the afternoon of the first day of workcamp. The closest airports are: Milan Bergamo Airport, Milano Malpensa Airport and Milano Linate airport. From there you can take shuttle buses or a train called Malpensa express (from Malpensa airport) that will take you to Milano Centrale station. From there you have to take the train to Tirano (not Torino!!) and get off in Tresenda-Aprica-Teglio railway station.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** Volunteers will be hosted in an apartment in the city hall of Castello dell'Acqua. The apartment has 8 beds but there is enough space to add a folding bed. The diet will be vegetarian.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** In order to better enjoy this experience volunteers are required to have a great will to walk and work (such as hiking boots and mountain shirts, for example). Volunteers will be involved in working activities for about 30 hours per week, and will have to cook for themselves (the food will be provided). A basic knowledge of English language is also required.

**LANGUAGE:** English

# Lego3 Etna explorers

**PIEDIMONTE ETNEO, province of Catania, Sicily**  
**21/08/2026 - 31/08/2026**

**PROJECT:** The project will take place on the eastern side of Mount Etna and will involve field work, study and research on topics related to volcanic environments, with particular focus on Mount Etna. Volunteers will be involved in maintaining a historic trail in the area, fire surveillance, study and research. The “Basilian monks path”, which connects the villages of Nunziata, Mascali and Vena, is a 6 km route that has already been cleared of weeds. Manual activities will focus on maintaining the path and will mainly take place early in the morning to avoid the hottest hours of the day. Seminars will be held in the afternoons with the participation of various experts in the relevant fields. Seminars will be held in the afternoons with the participation of various experts in the relevant fields. This route was chosen to promote sustainable access from the foothills to the higher altitudes of the Etna Park in order to improve the area from both an environmental and tourist point of view, given that the route crosses areas of particular environmental value where the use of motor vehicles is prohibited.

**PARTNER: LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP:** The Circolo Etneo of Legambiente aims to protect and promote the Etna Park and the municipalities that are part of it in an eco-sustainable way. Since its establishment in 2021, the Club has promoted various restoration and clean-up initiatives in natural areas in collaboration with several municipalities. It has brought campaigns of national importance (Tree party, To school with energy!, Goletta Verde, Project SUP - Single Use Plastic, Let's clean the world, Life Earth) in collaboration with other Circoli and Legambiente Sicilia. It has organised and carried out numerous environmental education activities in schools and on the trails of Etna, making use of suitably trained educators; has received funding to launch a project (still ongoing) called Aula Natura (Nature Classroom) for environmental education and the restoration of historic trails; organises and runs a monthly programme of excursions every year to raise awareness of the unique features, beauty and critical issues of Mount Etna. It promotes awareness-raising activities with the aim of attracting new volunteers. It is accredited by the University of Catania for university internships. It has already organised a local volunteer camp (Custodi dell'Etna) and an international volunteer camp (Guardians of Etna).

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The camp will be based in Montargano, in the municipality of Mascali, a small rural village of about 50 inhabitants located 656 metres above sea level on the eastern side of Mount Etna. The entire area, which looks like a veritable balcony overlooking the Ionian Sea, with its alternating wooded areas and wide lava fields, is characterised by the presence of several natural features of particular value. Among these, the so-called “Sciare di Scoriavacca” stand out, a vast lava expanse originating from one or more eruptive fractures located at an altitude of 850/900 metres, with characteristic and picturesque “slab”, “scoriaceous block” and “cord” shapes and “gut” shapes, with the presence of lava flow caves and sparse vegetation characterised by scrubland of various Mediterranean species. From an ethno-anthropological point of view, the Sciare Scoriavacca have long been used for grazing, yet there is no shortage of land reclamation and agricultural or pastoral support works, such as terraces, hydraulic works, paths, mule tracks, sheepfolds, wine presses and cisterns, built with poor materials from the same area. The secondary road network consists of a network of agricultural roads, mule tracks and paths of significant historical value due to the presence of fine stone walls along the edges and earth, cobbled and paved road surfaces. This location is ideal for nature excursions for the promotion of sustainable eco-tourism.

Cleaning up  
the route on  
the trail of the  
Basilian monks  
to restore it,  
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-  **environmental**
-  **NO EXTRA FEE**
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# Lego3 Etna explorers

**PIEDIMONTE ETNEO, province of Catania, Sicily**  
**21/08/2026 - 31/08/2026**

**WORK:** Cleaning of the Basilian monks' path. Specifically, the activities will involve clearing stones and vegetation to make the path accessible. At the same time, fire prevention checks and surveillance will also be carried out.

**EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

Volunteers will be involved in formation activities on various topics: the environment, waste, the history of Mount Etna and general volcanology, fire prevention and local folklore.

**TERMINAL:** From the airport, take the Alibus to Piazza Giovanni XXIII station, then from there take the train to Giarre-Riposto station, where we will be waiting for you.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** Considering the commitments of the young members of the Circolo Etneo on the territory and aiming for increased international participation (taking into account the need to organize the camp during the summer to make the most of daylight hours and better weather). After considering various options in the area, the final choice fell on accommodation located in Montargano. The facility is surrounded by greenery, features a large outdoor space for possible gatherings, and has ample indoor space to accommodate about thirty overnight guests. Inside the facility, there are: A communal area, three Sleeping quarters, A kitchen, two bathrooms and one shower indoors and one shower outdoor. There is signal for internet and the menu will be vegetarian.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** A basic level of fitness is necessary, as participants will work in such environment not always suitable for vehicle transport.

**LANGUAGE:** English

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# Lego4 Protect Our Beaches: Waves of Change

Lecco, Lombardy

02/07/2026- 14/07/2026

Volunteers will take part in an awareness-raising initiative aimed at beachgoers, encouraging responsible waste management



**PROJECT:** Legambiente Lecco, in collaboration with the municipality of Oliveto Lario, has decided to set up a permanent station on the beaches of Oliveto Lario to encourage beachgoers to behave responsibly, such as taking their trash away and sorting it correctly. The aim of the project is to stimulate a cultural transformation, promoting lasting awareness among visitors of the importance of protecting the environment. We believe that only by building a genuine sense of collective responsibility will it be possible to really save the Earth. This process requires time, dialogue, concrete examples, and above all, active participation, and will take place through the distribution of information material created specifically for the camp. The aim of the camp is also to attract new visitors to small areas in Italy, allowing them to combine civic engagement with opportunities for visiting and discovery, thus offering the chance to get to know new perspectives and valuable fragments of local history

**PARTNER: LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP:** To convey its values, Legambiente Lecco Onlus participates every year in Legambiente's national campaigns, such as Goletta dei Laghi (Lake Schooner) and Carovana dei Ghiacciai (Glacier Caravan). The association also manages an Eco-Hostel on the top of Monte Barro working with international volunteers; it runs a Piedibus project for the city of Lecco, organizes European projects and international and national volunteer camps, carries out environmental education activities in schools, offers summer camps for children, teenagers, and seniors, and provides training courses, workshops, and sustainability experiences. In particular, in the municipality of Valbrona, a little town bordering Oliveto Lario, Legambiente Lecco runs an amphibian rescue campaign every spring, specifically for the common toad Bufo Bufo, involving hundreds of local volunteers.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The camp will take place in a charming little town called Oliveto Lario, overlooking the western shore of the Lecco branch of Lake Como. This area, framed by the waters of the lake and the lower slopes of the Grigne mountains, consists of three different hamlets: Onno, Vassena, and Limonta. The camp will mainly take place in Onno, a quiet and welcoming village with small beaches, stone alleys, and an atmosphere that still retains the charm of the lakeside communities of yesteryear. During your free time, you will have the opportunity to relax on the lake beaches and go trekking along the numerous trails in Onno. In addition, the municipal administration with which Legambiente Lecco collaborates is available to organize small guided tours of the village, allowing participants to discover the most authentic and hidden gems of the area directly through the stories of the residents.

**WORK:** Throughout the camp, beach surveillance and monitoring will be a core activity, aimed at discouraging littering and promoting respectful behavior among tourists. Volunteers will be present on the beaches to engage directly with visitors, offering guidance and gentle reminders on how to manage waste responsibly. In parallel, environmental awareness initiatives will be carried out through the distribution of informative materials specifically designed for beachgoers, helping to explain the importance of waste reduction, recycling, and environmental protection in a clear and accessible way. Another fundamental activity will be the clean-up of coastal areas, with particular attention paid to proper waste separation and recycling, in order to reduce pollution and protect the natural landscape.

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# Lego4 Protect Our Beaches: Waves of Change

Lecco, Lombardia

02/07/2026- 14/07/2026

Volunteers will take part in an awareness-raising initiative aimed at beachgoers, encouraging responsible waste management



Daily life during the camp will be organized collaboratively to encourage a sense of shared responsibility. Participants will take turns preparing meals, working in small teams, and each group will also be in charge of maintaining the common areas of the accommodation, ensuring they are kept clean and orderly, especially after meals.

**TERMINAL:** Since you have chosen to take part in a project focused on environmental sustainability, we kindly ask you?if possible?to choose a low-impact means of transportation to reach us. While flying may seem like a very convenient option if you are coming from far away, its environmental impact in terms of emissions is significantly high.

1) From Malpensa Airport: take a shuttle bus ("Malpensa Shuttle Air Pullman" or "Malpensa Bus Express") to reach the train station Milano Centrale. There's a shuttle bus every 20 minutes.

1b) From the train station Milano Centrale take the train in the direction of Lecco. Please notice that the train will be indicated with the name of the final destination that usually is Sondrio or Tirano.

2) From Linate Airport: take a shuttle bus ("Star Fly") to reach the train station Milano Centrale. There's a shuttle bus every 30 minutes. From Milano Centrale follow point 1b.

3) From Orio al Serio Airport:

Use the bus service from the airport to Bergamo train station. From there, take the train to Lecco: departure every hour, journey takes 35 minutes.

4) From train station Milano Porta Garibaldi:

take the train in the direction of Lecco -Via Carnate (try to avoid taking the train direction Lecco - Via Molteno because it will take you much more time and it?s more expensive). Upon arrival in Lecco, consult the summer timetable for the D110 Lecco-Bellagio bus line and get off at the Onno Scuole stop. From there, you can easily walk to Chiesa di San Pietro Martire, where we will be waiting for you with a yellow flag with a green swan.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** The volunteer camp will be hosted in a cozy three-story villa located just a few steps from the lake. The house features a fully equipped kitchen and a dining room, designed as shared spaces where volunteers can enjoy meals together and spend moments of conviviality and laughter. Bedrooms and bathrooms are shared, embracing the true spirit of community life. Outside, a large garden provides the perfect setting to relax, organize activities, or simply enjoy the sunset. The villa is situated in a quiet area of Onno, close to the village church and the library, making it an ideal location for getting around on foot and for easily reaching the lakefront. There are a couple of bars and restaurant with typical food of the area.

Meals will be vegetarian, featuring plenty of seasonal fruits and vegetables and, whenever possible, locally sourced ingredients.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** Good attitude towards tourists and beachgoers. This camp will also host a group of Italian volunteers, so a basic level of Italian will be necessary in order to communicate with the rest of the group.

**LANGUAGE:** English and italian

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# Lego5 EYA\_ Experiencing and conveying the emotions of the "Terre Alte"

A mountain field camp dedicated to the exploration and discovery of the natural, agricultural, and cultural potential of the Area Vasta Valgrigna in the Lombard Prealps.



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**Bienna, Lombardy**

**15/07/2026 - 25/07/2026**

**PROJECT:** The purpose of the camp is to live and share the emotions of the TERRE ALTE (high lands) to immerse oneself in a world of resilience, authenticity, and deep connection with nature within the context of the Area Vasta Valgrigna. These are experiences that contrast with the hectic pace of everyday life, allowing participants to rediscover essential values, to draw lessons from hardship, and appreciate the raw, sincere beauty of landscapes and mountain communities, transforming challenges and intense moments into authentic life stories and ideas for territorial animation. The project, carried out in collaboration with the Bio-distretto di Valle Camonica, is co-funded through the 2025 "8 per mille" grant of the Waldensian Church.

The camp's logistical base will be the Malga Silter refuge in Campolungo, situated at 1,490 meters, reachable on foot in about an hour and a half from Campolaro (Bienna, BS), where participants will be transported by car. The facility will be self-managed, with participants responsible for daily tasks such as meal preparation and cleaning, and they will be accommodated in shared rooms. A program of hikes will allow participants to discover alpine pastures and areas of particular natural interest. During some activities, they will be accompanied by experts (geologist, botanist, and forestry engineer), who will help highlight important elements and support the documentation and reporting process. At certain alpine pastures, participants will have the opportunity to engage with the work of local shepherds, assisting with livestock care, cheesemaking, and the functioning of the facility (e.g., firewood collection). Maintenance work on structures or trails may also be planned. On the arrival evening (July 15) and the last two evenings (July 24 and 25), participants will be hosted in the valley floor (Darfo Boario Terme BS). The rest day is scheduled for July 25. "This camp is a part of the project "European Youth in Action: policymakers for climate justice", co-funded by the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) programme of the European Commission."

**PARTNER:** LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP. The local Legambiente Valle Camonica chapter has been active since the 1980s and has already organized several international workcamps. It promotes initiatives on various issues, such as the protection of rivers, land use management, landscape conservation, and environmental care. Over the past three years, it has carried out numerous educational projects on environmental sustainability, both in primary and secondary schools.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The camp's logistical base will be the Malga Silter refuge in Campolungo, situated at 1,490 meters, reachable on foot in about an hour and a half from Campolaro (Bienna, BS), where participants will be transported by car. The accommodation facility is owned by ERSAF Lombardia, which is supporting us in the organization of the camp. Internet connection cannot be guaranteed.

# Lego5 EYA\_ Experiencing and conveying the emotions of the "Terre Alte"

A mountain field camp dedicated to the exploration and discovery of the natural, agricultural, and cultural potential of the Area Vasta Valgrigna in the Lombard Prealps.



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**Biunno, Lombardy**

**15/07/2026 - 25/07/2026**

**WORK:** The core activity involves observing and capturing, during the hikes, the landscapes, natural features, human traces, and cultural elements, along with the emotions and sensations they inspire. Participants will translate these experiences into written reflections and photographic or video documentation, which will then be woven together into a summary that will serve as a source of inspiration for territorial animation projects.

At three different alpine pastures, participants will have the opportunity to engage with the work of local shepherds, assisting with livestock care, cheesemaking, and the functioning of the facility (e.g., firewood collection). Maintenance work on structures or trails may also be planned. **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

Relevant documentation on the Vasta Valgrigna area will be provided to participants to familiarize them with the local culture and the unique environment. During some activities, they will be accompanied by experts (geologist, botanist, and forestry engineer), who will help highlight important elements and support the documentation and reporting process.

**TERMINAL:** Bus and train station Boario in Darfo Boario Terme city on the 15th of July in the afternoon.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** The facility will be self-managed, with participants responsible for daily tasks such as meal preparation and cleaning, and they will be accommodated in shared rooms.

The menu will be discussed with the group to accommodate different needs and constraints.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** As the field camp is part of a broader project linked to the Alpine context, participants must come exclusively from countries within the Alpine arc (France, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Italy). Given that the activities involve itinerant mountain routes between 1,500 and 2,000 meters above sea level, participants are required to have a level of physical fitness that allows them to walk for several hours on mountain trails, with average daily elevation gains of around 500-600 meters. They must also be equipped with mountain backpack and appropriate clothing, including hiking waterproof boots, a waterproof jacket, and warm garments and at least a complete change of clothes including shoes. They will also need to bring a warm sleeping bag, fitted sheet (90 cm) and a pillow case.

**LANGUAGE:** English

# Lego6 San Rossore Summer, Between Biodiversity and History

Pisa, Tuscany

15/06/2026 - 29/06/2026

Volunteers will be engaged in projects aimed at preserving and restoring the natural environment of one of the most important wetlands in the Tyrrhenian Sea, the San Rossore estate.



**PROJECT:** Volunteers will be engaged in projects aimed at preserving and restoring the natural environment of one of the most important wetlands in the Tyrrhenian Sea, the San Rossore estate, part of the MSRM Regional Park.

**PARTNER: LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP:** Legambiente Pisa is an association that has been fighting since 1995 for a healthier relationship between people and the environment, to convey the importance of conscious choices, for social equity through the lens of scientific environmentalism. The activities are possible thanks to the commitment of the volunteers who organize together local and national awareness campaigns, training activities inside and outside the schools, collaborations with public and private bodies aimed at the ecological transition.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The San Rossore estate, in the MSRM regional park, after having been used as a hunting lodge for monarchs and presidents, has since 1989 been the central nucleus of a large coastal park that is a real gem in terms of both fauna and plant species, including several relicts and endemic species, which have found an environment here in which to survive and develop. The estate is within cycling distance of the cities of Pisa, and Lucca, two centres that need no description; from the camp it is also easy to reach other centres of interest, such as Livorno, Calci, Massaciuccoli and the Apuan Alps.

**WORK:** The volunteers will use simple tools such as shears, axes and saws to remove invasive vegetation, record data to compare the present situation and check the effectiveness of the action. At the request of the Park, interventions will be possible for easy maintenance operations in areas of naturalistic interest further inland. Restoration of the paths in the naturalistic areas of the estate and biomonitoring activities within the Park will also be carried out. All movements will be made by bicycles, which the volunteers will also maintain, with the help of the local bicycle workshop. Volunteers will participate in workshops about the local environment and its features, held by the technicians of the Park. They will learn about the Sea turtle "Caretta Caretta", whose traces they will also look for, and about the several species of plants and trees of the territory. They will also learn how to fix their own bike.

**TERMINAL:** Appointment for the start of the workcamp is scheduled for the day 15/06 in Pisa, at the railway station Pisa Centrale at 15.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** Flat in a farmhouse on the San Rossore Estate. we will prepare all meals in the apartment, the shopping will be done in local zero kilometer and organic shops

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** Knowing how to ride a bike (you ride a few kilometres a day)

**LANGUAGE:** English

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 environmental, manual

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**OTTAVIANO, province of Naples, Campania**

**25/08/2026 - 05/09/2026**

A project of  
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territory



**PROJECT:** Participants will be mainly involved in the care and maintenance of Environment and Legality Observatory of the Vesuvius National Park, managed by Legambiente. They will provide to take care of Legambiente vegetable garden and vineyard and they will also provide to clean and maintain the Vesuvius National Park paths. They will take part of the fire-detection AIB program in VNP. The Observatory is placed in a Confiscated Property. This fabric hosts an intercultural laboratory and a projection room inside. Outside, instead, there are four social vegetable gardes, a park of memory and civil commitment with trees planted to commemorate innocent Mafia victims, managed by Libera association and Legambiente. There are also two classrooms on the outside for initiatives with guys and children. At the Legambiente headquarters, the participants will be involved in moments of exchange and social comparison with locals and/or with other groups of guys also involved in the defense of common property with other associations. There will be 4 or 5 afternoon meetings with the families of innocent Camorra victims.

Volunteers will be involved in working activities for about 30 hours per week.

"\*This camp is a part of the project "European Youth in Action: policymakers for climate justice", co-funded by the Citizens, Equality. Rights and Values (CERV) programme of the European Commission."

**PARTNER:** LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP: Legambiente A.R.I.A. - "Mimmo Beneventano" from Ottaviano fully shares the operational philosophy of the national association and it is by virtue of this sharing that it promotes, in collaboration with public bodies and / or other non-profit organizations, projects, events and Initiatives in the idea of contributing to the large-scale affirmation of the principle of active citizenship, involving local youths in the pursuit of their activities, giving them the opportunity to develop civic, social and environmental consciousness, contributing to the realization of their However, to contribute to improving the living conditions of the reference community. Legambiente Mimmo Beneventano began his activity of denouncing territorial abuse in the early 80's as a local association, and then joined Legambiente in 1989. Over the last few years, the association has linked its name to important initiatives to denounce illegality, Spread over Vesuvius territory, achieving important results (the blockade of the new Vesuvius funicular railway, the closure of the dumps of Somma Vesuviana, Ercolano and Terzigno dislocated in the Vesuvius National Park, countless complaints against abusive quarries, hydrogeological disaster Pollution of the wells and waterfalls of the Vesuvius, against forest fires, building abusive, sometimes even denouncing omissions, inertia and inefficiencies of local governments.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The Environment & Legacy Observatory of the Vesuvius National Park In 2006, the National Park Authority of Vesuvius decided to start experimentally the preliminary activities of establishing a real Observatory. Since September 2009, following agreement with the Park Authority, Legambiente Mimmo Beneventano manages a property confiscated to the Camorra, transformed into the Environment & Legality Observatory of the Park.



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# Leg07 EYA\_Vesuvio Work camp national park

**OTTAVIANO, province of Naples, Campania**

**25/08/2026 - 05/09/2026**

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**WORK:** The main actions taken by the observatory are as follows:

- 1) Realization of the "Memory Park" and "social gardens". Planting trees in memory of victims of crime and managing gardens with Horticultural species.
- 2) Ideation and realization of outdoor events, conventions and gatherings;
- 3) Organization of commemorations in memory of the victims of the Camorra (Mimmo Beneventano, 7 November, Festival of Civil Advocacy, May, Naisale Day of Legality, 19 March);
- 4) monitoring biodiversity fauna and difficulty;
- 5) Realization of training paths involving the classes of compulsory schools in an initiative called "Legality Trails";
- 6) monitoring activities of buildings and environmental illicit;
- 7) awareness campaign against forest fires in the PNV;
- 8) Membership, organization, realization and / or participation in environmental awareness events of national and local interest.

**TERMINAL:** Naples International Airport (NAP). Upon arrival take the bus leading to Piazza Garibaldi Central Station. Then choose the Eav Circumvesuviana railway line, Naples line Ottaviano Sarno. The trains are every 20-30 minutes. It is useful to consult the Circumvesuviana timetables on arrival at the station

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:**

15 Beds, 8 places, 5 bathroom, 3 showers

Equipped kitchen. Food will almost be vegetarian and based on local products. Volunteers will eat meat a few times.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:**

We suggest choosing, if possible, a more environment friendly transport to reach the location of the camp. Flying may look cheap, but the price we pay in terms of pollution is much more expensive.

Here's the Sustainable Transport Infosheet that can help you in organizing your journey with a low environmental impact.

**LANGUAGE:** English

 South of Italy

 environmental

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# Lego8 Volunteers for the restoration of dry stone walls

**ARCHI, province of Chieti, Abruzzo**

**05/08/2026 - 13/08/2026**

**PROJECT:** For the summer of 2026, in Abruzzo, Legambiente is promoting volunteer camps aimed at the recovery and valorisation of paths that were part of the ancient transhumance routes, infrastructures linked to the tradition of seasonal movement of livestock and dry stone buildings, testimony to the millenary history of farmers and shepherds of the Apennines. The volunteers will contribute to cleaning the path that connected the small town of Archi and reaches Pallano. The works include the arrangement and cleaning of the path and the recovery of some sections invaded by vegetation. Some dry stone walls will be restored along the route.

**LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP:** The Legambiente Geo A.P.S. association was born in Atessa in 1989 thanks to the enthusiasm and the care of a group of young volunteers. Since 35 years our association deals with the improvement of the environmental and cultural quality in our area in order to satisfy the need of participation, cohesiveness, knowledge and identity of people. During the last years we have fought against waste trade, land consumption, for the Sangro river safeguard and the Val di Sangro environmental quality. Thanks to our devoted and determined work, we set up the SIC Monte Pallano and Lecmeta d'Isca d'Archi area. It is a place where environmental and archaeological excellences coexist. Legambiente, in this area, manages Casanatura Fontecampana center, a place where people of any age can meet each other and share their love for nature and environment and broaden their knowledges about them through various activities. Since 2017, thanks to volunteers, Legambiente runs the recycling center in Atessa.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** Archi is a small village (1900 inhabitants), full of suggestive views of the Sangro valley, in the evening the inhabitants love to walk along the streets of the center which are animated especially in August thanks to tourists and visitors. Monte Pallano is a place of enchanting beauty. Its strategic position and the presence of water sources have made it a hub of human settlements, as evidenced by the remains of the ancient Pallanum settlement, the imposing Megalithic Walls, and signs of human presence from the Neolithic to the Hellenistic-Roman period.

**WORK:** Volunteers will work on restoring the paths, eliminating vegetation that has invaded parts of the path and recovering neglected sections, to bring them back to life. In collaboration with a local association, ancient dry stone walls will be recovered, so as not to lose this important testimony declared a world heritage site by UNESCO in 2018.

#### **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

There will be no formal study sessions, but rather guided visits to the historic center and the noble palaces of the Archi and the surrounding villages.

**TERMINAL:** Traveling from Rome (Ciampino Airport, Fiumicino Airport, Tiburtina Bus Station): By bus: From Rome, take a direct bus from Tiburtina station to Archi. By train: Travel to Pescara train station, then catch a bus to Archi or or take a train to Fossacesia - Torino di Sangro. Aeroporto di Pescara - Iata Code: PSR

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** Volunteers will be accommodated in a repurposed school building equipped with a self-managed kitchen. The diet will be eco-sustainable, focusing on local products with minimal meat consumption.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** Volunteers should have an interest in the theme of the project, feel comfortable working and living in a group setting, and have a desire to explore a new country and a small village immersed in nature.

**LANGUAGE:** English

Reopening the path that connects Archi to Monte Pallano, bordered by ancient dry stone walls



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# Legog Volunteers for the restoration of the dry stone walls

Preserving the history of a UNESCO heritage since 2018! A unique experience to learn, share, and make a difference in the community.



**TORNARECCIO, province of Chieti, Abruzzo**  
**20/08/2026 - 29/08/2026**

**PROJECT:** The restoration of the ancient dry stone walls of Monte Pallano is a project that combines respect for tradition with the enhancement of the landscape and cultural heritage. Dry stone architecture has been recognized as UNESCO heritage since 2018. These walls, built without the use of mortar, are a testament to the ingenuity of the farmers and shepherds who once inhabited this land. They hold great historical significance: they were used to clear fields for cultivation, mark the paths traveled by flocks, and create terraces necessary for farming on steep terrain. The restoration of these dry stone walls involves several phases: clearing vegetation, reconstructing the wall, and reinforcing the structures.

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**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The Monte Pallano area is enchantingly beautiful, rich in natural and archaeological wonders. Its strategic location and the presence of water sources have made it a hub of human settlement over the centuries, as evidenced by the remains of the ancient Pallanum settlement, the impressive Megalithic Walls, and signs of human presence from the Neolithic to the Hellenistic-Roman period. In more recent times, farmers and shepherds frequented Pallano and left traces of stone from their passage, altering the landscape. Tornareccio is a village famous for its open-air mosaic museum.

**WORK:** The restoration of the trail involves manual labor, with volunteers dedicating at least 6 hours a day, primarily during the early morning hours. Participants will assist Legambiente in restoring the dry stone walls that line the path of Lago Grande and the Cyclamen Trail. The project includes cleaning the trail, as well as reclaiming sections overrun by vegetation, which threaten the stability of the walls.

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# Legog Volunteers for the restoration of the dry stone walls

Preserving the history of a UNESCO heritage since 2018! A unique experience to learn, share, and make a difference in the community.



**TORNARECCIO, province of Chieti, Abruzzo**  
**20/08/2026 - 29/08/2026**

**EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:** In-depth exploration of the agro-pastoral culture of Monte Pallano; visit to the mosaics; visit to a beekeeping farm; visit to the megalithic walls of Monte Pallano.

**TERMINAL:** Traveling from Rome (Ciampino Airport, Fiumicino Airport, Tiburtina Bus Station): By bus: From Rome, you can travel from Tiburtina station directly to Tornareccio (tickets available at: <https://klikbus.sotrap.it/home>). By train: Arrive at Pescara train station, then take a bus from Pescara train station to Tornareccio (Ch), or travel by train to Fossacesia - Torino di Sangro station and then take a bus to Tornareccio. Alternatively, take a bus to Atessa (the city before Tornareccio) and contact Legambiente volunteers to arrange a car ride for the last part of the journey.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** Volunteers will be accommodated in a repurposed school building equipped with a self-managed kitchen. The diet will be eco-sustainable, focusing on local products with minimal meat consumption.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** Volunteers should have an interest in the theme of the project, feel comfortable working and living in a group setting, and have a desire to explore a new country and a small village immersed in nature.

**LANGUAGE:** English

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# Legio Volunteers in Campo dei Fiori

Volunteers will take care of nature, in order to raise awareness among local citizens and visitors



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**CUNARDO, province of Varese, Lombardia**

**03/08/2026 - 17/08/2026**

**PROJECT:** Legambiente collaborate with the natural park Campo dei fiori since many years, with volunteers programs and environmental education.

The Park is a really beautiful woods area really important for all the region as a source of Biodiversity.

The camp is part of a bigger program of activities both cultural and volunteering, organized in order to raise awareness among local citizens and visitors.

**PARTNER:** LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP: Legambiente Varese Onlus is a local group of Legambiente, that, beside giving contributions to main Legambiente national campaigns mind about the environment of the district of Varese since the eighties. Legambiente Varese coordinate 14 local groups of Legambiente volunteers and it's the connection between local, regional and national offices of the association. Thanks to this organization we can carrying out several activities such as the management of natural areas, the organization of work-camps, environmental education addressed to youngest generations and promotion of environmentally friendly lifestyles

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The Park overlooks the hills of the Province of Varese and the Po Plain. The particular geographical location and the geological features favored the presence of a various vegetation, with chestnut tree and beech tree woods, typical flora of the rocky areas, marshy and peaty zones rich in wildlife. The project's aim is the preservation and the improvement of natural but also historical sites of the park to promote green tourism We well spend most of the free time together visiting the lakes area

**WORK:** The main work will be in different natural areas of the park for cleaning and maintenance in collaboration with expert volunteers and park staff. Some days will be dedicated to helping different local organizations in everyday activities in environmental and farming projects.

The participants will be involved with local volunteers in the organization of a food festival during the weekend that will take place in the camp site.

Volunteers will be involved in working or studies activities for about 30 hours per week.

**EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:** Volunteers will participate in workshops and trainings on environment and sustainability. Part of the time will be dedicated to study the natural characteristic of the Park, that is very important for is high biodiversity, with the collaboration of experts of the Park staff

**TERMINAL:** Appointment at Varese railway station on august 3th in the afternoon: about one our from Milano city, 30 minutes from Malpensa airport

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** Volunteers will sleep in a common room in a guesthouse with bunk bed, they will clean and prepare food together.

Food will be vegetarian and based on local, organic farming and fair trade products.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** Interesting in nature and environment.

**LANGUAGE:** English

## Sasso di Castalda, province of Potenza, Basilicata

17/07/2026 - 27/07/2026

### PROJECT:

With the project EYA - European Youth in Action Legambiente and its partners are promoting international volunteering camps to activate volunteers in caring for the environment and in deepening the issues related to the climate crisis. The volunteering camp in Sasso di Castalda will be dedicated to the maintenance and care of trails in a National Park, to training activities for volunteers on the current climate crisis. The volunteer camp will also be a tool to deepen the importance of local and international commitment to protect the environment and society from the effects of climate change.

\*This camp is a part of the project "European Youth in Action: policymakers for climate justice", co-funded by the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) programme of the European Commission.

### PARTNER:

LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP: Legambiente Basilicata was founded in 1990 and brings together all the association's local groups in the region. Environmental and biodiversity protection, scientific environmentalism and the fight against oil exploitation in Basilicata are the main battles of the regional association. Legambiente Basilicata is also involved in environmental education activities (in schools of all levels) and the dissemination of the values of peace, non-violence, hospitality and social solidarity in the region. Volunteer camps are an important tool to make our activities known also outside the region and to implement projects for the protection and care of the territory, thanks to national and international volunteers.

### LOCATION AND LEISURE:

The village of Sasso di Castalda is one of the 29 municipalities that make up the Lucano Val d'Agri Lagonegrese Apennine Park, nestled in the mountains of the Basilicata region. The village is located at an altitude of 949 m a.s.l. and is surrounded by woods and beech forests, criss-crossed by easy-to-travel paths immersed in nature. The territory of Sasso di Castalda has been inhabited since Roman times, although the village was officially founded around 1068 A.D. as a stronghold of the Normans. Volunteers can reach Potenza (the regional capital of Basilicata) and then travel to Sasso di Castalda by shuttles organised by the host association. It is possible to reach Potenza by train (Trenitalia ?Potenza Centrale? station) or by bus from Rome, Naples or Foggia. The nearest airports are Naples Capodichino, Bari Palese and Rome Fiumicino international airport. It's preferable to arrive in Potenza in the 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Volunteers engaged in the maintenance of the paths of the Appennino Lucano Val d'Agri Lagonegrese National Park



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# Leg11 EYA - Paths for Climate Action 1

**Sasso di Castalda, province of Potenza, Basilicata**

**17/07/2026 - 27/07/2026**

## **WORK:**

During this camp, volunteers will be engaged in maintenance and care works on the paths within the protected area of the Appennino Lucano Val d'Agri Lagonegrese National Park and the village of Sasso di Castalda. In particular, the camp will focus on the Basilicata Frassati Path (within the protected area) and the Sentiero dell'Ascolto (Listening Path) (within the village). Alongside the path maintenance activities, there will also be activities to learn more about the climate crisis and get to know the area that will host the international volunteer camp; there will also be activities to get to know the local Legambiente groups active in the Basilicata region.

## **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

During the camp there will be workshops and in-depth discussions dedicated to the knowledge of the current climate crisis, its impacts on territories and good practices that can be implemented to combat climate change. It will also be possible to visit Italy's first green station managed by Legambiente Basilicata, the result of an urban regeneration project and the diffusion of local and conscious consumption choices.

## **TERMINAL:**

Potenza Centrale train station, first day of workcamp at 5pm

## **ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:**

Volunteers will be accommodated in an Environmental Education Centre, with self-managed kitchen. Meals will be mainly vegetarian/vegan. Accommodation is also equipped with a washing machine.

## **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:**

Aptitude for manual work, hiking in the forest and working in a team.

**LANGUAGE:** English

Volunteers engaged in the maintenance of the paths of the Appennino Lucano Val d'Agri Lagonegrese National Park



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## Sasso di Castalda, province of Potenza, Basilicata

31/07/2026 - 10/08/2026

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**31/07/2026 - 10/08/2026**

**WORK:**

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**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:**

Aptitude for manual work, hiking in the forest and working in a team.

**LANGUAGE:** English

Volunteers engaged in the maintenance of the paths of the Appennino Lucano Val d'Agri Lagonegrese National Park



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Preserve the environment and promote social inclusion through collaboration with local volunteer organizations.



**CHIAVERANO, province of Torino, Piemonte**  
**27/07/2026 - 08/08/2026**

#### **PROJECT:**

The planned actions are:

- Environmental restorations of trails and wooded areas with volunteers from local associations: Cutting off brambles and weeds, raking, stacking dead branches
- social inclusion activities with associations that deal with disabilities and/or integration.
- trips and insights of the AMI territory (Morainic Amphitheatre of Ivrea) or Turin.
- Interactive games and activities to raise awareness about the territory and various themes.

A typical day: 8:00 AM: Hangout and Briefing: Planning work based on weather conditions, - 8:30 AM: Start of activities, - 1:30 PM: Conclusion and lunch.

Recreational activities, walks, and excursions to explore the area are planned in the afternoon. Volunteers will work approximately 30 hours per week.

The day before departure will prepare a return of the camp and a multiethnic dinner addressed to citizens, institutions and associations that have collaborated.

#### **PARTNER: LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP:**

Legambiente Dora Baltea (LDB) operates in the Canavese area. Our mission is to preserve and enhance natural and cultural resources, defend the legality, rights, and health of citizens, promote prevention, engagement, and solidarity, combat waste, and raise awareness through intensive information and communication efforts. This is the sixteenth edition of the Chiaverano camp.

#### **LOCATION AND LEISURE:**

The work camp is located in Chiaverano, 50 km from Turin and at the entrance to the Aosta Valley. It is nestled in the hills of Serra Morena, in the Cinque Laghi area. It offers splendid views of the entire moraine range and is built on an ancient medieval village, traces of which can still be found in the ruins of the castle and the Church of Santo Stefano. Along vineyard paths, forest trails, paved mule tracks, and rural lanes, walks wind through diverse landscapes where the wonders of nature alternate with the works of man.

The Cinque Laghi area, one of the most beautiful in the Canavese region, is of considerable geological, naturalistic, and wildlife interest, offering the opportunity to immerse yourself in the greenery on foot or by bicycle. It is the ideal place for scenic walks and hikes and for sports such as canoeing on the lake and swimming.

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Preserve the environment and promote social inclusion through collaboration with local volunteer organizations.



**CHIAVERANO, province of Torino, Piemonte**  
**27/07/2026 - 08/08/2026**

#### **WORK:**

A typical working day runs from 8:30 am to 1 pm. The work is intense and physical, but each person can participate according to their own abilities. The jobs may include: Dry stone wall restoration (without cement), Cleaning of channels or trails, Painting fences, Litter collection along secondary roads. Hand tools such as sickles or machetes, rakes, and scissors will be used. Motorized tools may be used by volunteers from the territory with the necessary technical knowledge.

#### **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

Some afternoons and/or evenings will feature training and information on climate change, in-depth discussions on the AMI area, and waste sorting. Visits to local ecomuseums and excursions to explore the area are also planned. Trips to Turin or Aosta are also included.

#### **TERMINAL:**

Ivrea train station. The closest airport is Turin Caselle. Other airports include Milan Malpensa, Linate, and Orio al Serio in Lombardy. They are connected to the Ivrea train station, a few kilometers from Chiaverano. Let us know your arrival date and time and we'll come pick you up.

#### **ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:**

Volunteers will be housed in a municipal guesthouse, equipped with beds, restrooms, and a kitchen. Wi-Fi is also available nearby. There are three bathrooms, two dormitories (male and female or mixed), a living room, an indoor shower, and other shared showers (segregated by gender) about 100 meters from the facility, as well as a fully equipped kitchen. Meals will be predominantly vegetarian and based on local products. Volunteers will eat meat very rarely. Any allergies, intolerances, and special diets must be specified.

#### **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:**

A strong desire to serve local communities is required. You must have the stamina for manual labor and be active and curious about the Ivrea area, its beauty, and the people who live there.

**LANGUAGE:** English

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# LEG14 EYA - Zovencedo Work Camp

**ZOVENCEDO, province of Vicenza, Veneto**

**05/07/2026 - 19/07/2026**

This workcamp is designed for those who are ready to slow down, adapt, and embrace a simple, rustic way of living.



**PROJECT:** The project offers volunteers a unique and fully immersive experience in nature in the municipality of Zovencedo, in the heart of the Berici Hills. During the first week, participants will take care of the green areas surrounding the Museo della Pietra "Cava di Cice" and help prepare the site to host the local community during two cultural and food & wine events taking place on July 9 and 11 (Cena in Cava and Calici in Cava). In the second week, volunteers will focus on restoring and maintaining hiking trail signage and public information boards throughout the municipality. These activities will allow participants to collaborate closely with a network of local volunteers and environmental enthusiasts committed to protecting the territory and organizing cultural initiatives that strengthen community life. Hosted in an ecocamping, volunteers will also take part in agricultural and manual activities designed to encourage reflection on environmental sustainability in all its aspects. The experience aims to foster strong group bonds while nurturing a renewed sense of coexistence with the natural environment. In their free time, participants will engage in practical activities such as building a clay oven, distilling lavender to produce essential oil, caring for the vegetable garden and beehives, experiencing falconry alongside a professional falconer, and designing and creating wooden and rope installations. On clear nights, guided sky observation sessions will be organized, with the opportunity to meet members of the Gruppo Astrofili Vicentini, who actively manage the Arcugnano Observatory and regularly promote educational and outreach activities. This camp is a part of the project "European Youth in Action: policymakers for climate justice", co-funded by the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) programme of the European Commission.

**PARTNER: LEGAMBIENTE LOCAL GROUP:** The volunteer camp is organized by Il Castagno Rosso (non-profit organization) in collaboration with the Legambiente Vicenza local group. Since 2020, Il Castagno Rosso has been caring for approximately two hectares of meadows and woodland, gradually developing simple and functional facilities designed to host educational and recreational activities in nature for young people and families. Over the years, the site has welcomed a forest kindergarten, a homeschooling project, several summer nature camps for children and teenagers, as well as music and theatre events open to the wider community. Hosting participants in this international volunteer project represents an important opportunity for the association to strengthen cooperation with a broader network of local actors committed to environmental protection, while expanding the social and environmental impact of its activities within the territory.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The Berici Hills are a remarkable area of biodiversity in the heart of the Po Valley. Of karst origin, they are shaped by caves inhabited since Neanderthal times, where nature and ancient history meet. Much of the landscape is covered by coppice woodlands that have long provided resources for local communities, while also hosting rich wildlife. The region's identity is closely linked to limestone quarrying, whose stone was famously used by Andrea Palladio; traces of this past are still visible today. An extensive network of hiking and cycling trails, including the 130 km Alta Via dei Berici, crosses the hills and passes near the camp area. Excursions may lead to Brendola and its medieval castle, Lake Fimon and the Valley of the Mills, and the stone sculptures of San Gottardo

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# LEG14 EYA - Zovencedo Work Camp

**ZOVENCEDO, province of Vicenza, Veneto**

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## **WORK:**

Volunteers will support the community by cleaning and maintaining the areas hosting municipal events, as well as assisting with event setup and dismantling. During the second week, they will focus on restoring public information boards and hiking trail signage, helping to improve accessibility and usability for both residents and visitors

## **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

During their free time, volunteers will take part in educational moments focused on adopting low-impact lifestyles and understanding the importance of protecting biodiversity to improve quality of life for everyone.

## **TERMINAL:**

The nearest airports are Verona, Venice, and Treviso.

Bus connections to the Berici Hills are limited, so participants are advised to carefully check the timetables in advance. The updated schedules are available on the website of the local public transport company (Società Vicentina Trasporti SVT)

[www.svt.vi.it](http://www.svt.vi.it)

## **ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:**

Volunteers will stay in a yurt located on a two-hectare property of meadows and woodland managed by Il Castagno Rosso. Accommodation consists of a shared dormitory with 10 beds, and bed linen is provided.

The ecocamping is powered by an off-grid photovoltaic system and features eco-friendly structures designed to blend harmoniously with the surrounding landscape. There is currently no Wi-Fi connection on site, but internet access will be guaranteed during the stay. A large tent structure will serve as the kitchen and common area.

Meals will prioritize seasonal, locally sourced products, and cooking as well as cleaning tasks will be organized on a rotating basis. For personal hygiene, the municipality of Zovencedo provides access to changing rooms with showers and running water at the local sports field, located about 1 km from the accommodation. Two dry toilets and potable water tanks are available directly at the campsite

## **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:**

Participation in the camp requires adaptability and a willingness to live in a simple, essential, and nature-oriented way. The setting is ideal for those who enjoy outdoor life, hiking, and embracing a slower, more minimalist lifestyle in close contact with the natural environment

**LANGUAGE:** English

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# LEG15 - Volunteering for Youth Climate Meeting 2026

## PAESTUM, province of Salerno

18/05/2026 - 25/05/2026

**PARTNER:** The Legambiente Paestum association is active throughout the year, carrying out activities aimed at protecting and enhancing nature and the environment. It is currently engaged in the "Save the Walls" project, aimed at enhancing the archaeological area and placing beauty at the center of socio-political action.

**WORK:** Volunteers will be the true protagonists of the Youth Climate Meeting! Those who decide to join us will be involved in organizing the event, from setting up the different areas to managing arrivals, staffing the Infopoint and providing information about the structure of the event and scheduled activities, supporting thematic workshops, managing waste sorting, and assisting with catering services. Volunteers with IT skills will be able to support technicians in managing audiovisual equipment, laptops, or other devices during presentations and events. Another required activity may include collecting feedback from participants about their experience at the event. Volunteer activities will last approximately 8 hours per day. Shifts may vary depending on the event's needs and, according to assigned roles, may take place in the morning, afternoon, or evening. Volunteers will also have free time to participate in debates, workshops and laboratories, or to take a walk by the sea.

**STUDY PART:** Training activities are planned with the aim of improving volunteers' knowledge of our mission and the activities carried out during the event.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** Paestum (municipality of Capaccio), in the province of Salerno, is a small town with an important archaeological area. It was founded in the 6th century BC by the Greeks, who built the temples that are still among the best preserved in the Mediterranean area today. Its beautiful beaches, Mediterranean climate, and archaeological site with monumental temples attract many tourists and visitors. The ancient city is strategically located a few kilometers south of the Amalfi Coast and north of the Cilento Coast, serving as a gateway to the Cilento National Park.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** Accommodation will be at Camping Paestum in bungalows equipped with shared bathrooms and showers with other volunteers. The diet will be vegetarian. During the first days of the camp we will cook together, while during the event days meals will be provided through external catering.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** Applicants must be at least 18 years old and available to commit to an important engagement in terms of energy and concentration. Adaptability, sociability, and teamwork skills are essential minimum requirements. A desire to be together, have fun, and exchange ideas makes the ideal profile to become part of this wonderful community of environmentalists. Basic Italian language knowledge.

**LANGUAGE:** English - Italian

The volunteer camp within the Youth Climate Meeting event offers a unique opportunity for young activists to actively contribute to the success of the initiative.



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## SAN STINO DI LIVENZA, province of Venezia

01/07/2026 - 13/07/2026

**PROJECT:** Volunteers will be involved in several activities, including creating bike lane signposts and promoting local cyclotourism events. They will collaborate with local organizations and other summer camp participants. Additionally, they will assist in organizing the local patron saint's festival. Promoting beach events to educate people about climate change, microplastics, endangered species and coastal erosion.

**PARTNER:** Legambiente "Pascutto-Geretto", as local group, was born almost twenty years ago at the urging of Geretto Franco, a native of Torre di Mosto, which also identifies the territory of the Eastern Veneto the need for a critical environmental and purposeful presence that vigilant about a territory in the process of rapid transformation. The club is named after the Romano Pascutto important dialect poet and writer born in S. Stino di Livenza. Later, after the death of the founder, the members decided to assign to the club the surname of Geretto.

**WORK:** Volunteers will be required to carry out forest and cycle path maintenance, for both municipality S. Stino di Livenza and Pramaggiore, doing for example: 1 - plants weeding; 2- collecting garbages; 3- socialization with local groups and associations for the promotion of events

**STUDY PART:** The volunteer will trained on biodiversity, beach litter, slow tourism and food recycling.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** The town of San Stino di Livenza, where the Green Station is located, is a rich area in terms of environmental values, historical and landscape, as well as being a central node in the system of mobility infrastructure such as highway, railway and waterway, features that make it an crucial junction for the tourist itineraries. The whole area surrounding S. Stino is full of traces left by the past, from ancient roman to medieval periods, where we can find interesting things to see especially in Portogruaro, Concordia Sagittaria and Pramaggiore. Venice airport "Marco Polo" Treviso Airport "Canova"

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** The Green Station is equipped with 2 rooms with bunk beds, a kitchen, a bathroom with shower, a laboratory for the bike repairing, a dining room and Internet access.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** The essential requirement for volunteers is simply knowing how to ride a bike!

**LANGUAGE:** English

Promoting beach events to educate people about climate change, microplastics, endangered species and coastal erosion.



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**PAESTUM, province of Salerno**

**22/06/2026 - 03/07/2026**

**PROJECT:** The camp is part of a project called "Oasi Dunale" run by legambiente local group for many years the experience of the Oasi Dunale is realising ecological connection between different natural environments in order to improve the biodiversity of the area. Legambiente is developing the project by involve local communities, students and volunteers to develop the respect of the environment in a critical area that in summertime is very crowded. Project co-Funded by the European Union. Views and opinions expressed are, however, those of the author(s) only and do not necessarily reflect those of the European Union or EACEA. Neither the European Union nor the granting authority can be held responsible for them.

**PARTNER:** Legambiente local group: Born in 1987, Legambiente local group in Paestum - Freewheeling – is currently engaged in the running of Dune Oasis a project that aims to protect the delicate dune ecosystem along the coast; and also OrtoMondo, a social housing run by legambiente local group in which live 14 migrants

**WORK:** The work will be always in direct collaboration with the technical staff for the maintenance of the Oasi Dunale. Volunteers will work on maintenance and cleaning of the coasts and beaches and will realize signals for the correct use of the area. The volunteers will be involved also in activities of gardening in the social housing OrtoMondo.

**STUDY PART:** Trainings on environment and sustainability. Biodiversity.

**LOCATION AND LEISURE:** Paestum is a little town founded during VI century b.C. by Greeks, who built wonderful temples - and civilization – that now constitute a very important archeological area (UNESCO site) among the best maintained in the Mediterranean. For its art, nature, tastes and events Paestum is one of the most important beautiful cities of Magna Grecia. The old city is located in a strategic position, a few km from the Amalfi Coast that extends along the Tirreno Sea and from the National Park of Cilento. The Archaeological site includes three Temples (it dates back to 550 B.C)

**TERMINAL:** Naples Capodichino international airport. There are buses connection for the central railway station of Naples where is possible to take a regional train to Paestum. The requested time is about 1hour and 20 minutes.

**ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD:** Volunteers will be hosted in bungalows in a camping on the coast. Moreover there is a cottage just on the beach where is possible to have meals after the working activities.

**SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:** Volunteers have to be interested in ecology and human ecology.

**LANGUAGE:** English