



CALL FOR GROUP LEADERS:

Youth Exchange "Routes and roots: remaining spaces of mobility justice"



Registration form **HERE** - **DEADLINE** for applications: 14th September 2025

We're looking for 4 group leaders - 1 for each participating country Italy, France, Belgium and Albania - for the youth exchange that will take place from the 15th to the 23rd of November 2025 in Lecce, Apulia (Italy).

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Activity Dates

- 1. Online meeting organized on October/November 2025
- 2. In person Advanced Planned Visit in Lecce, Italy: 10-13th October 2025
- 3. In person Youth Exchange in Lecce, Italy: 15th-23rd November 2025

Venue

Lecce, Italy. It will take place in Spazio Sociale Zei, a dynamic, independent cultural and social space in Lecce. It promotes community participation, creativity, and grassroots cultural development.

About the coordination Organization

<u>Servizio Civile Internazionale</u> (SCI Italia) is the Italian branch of <u>Service Civil International</u> network, an international voluntary movement that is present in more than 80 countries around the world.

It's been promoting international volunteering projects for 100 years on the themes of peace and disarmament, conscientious objection, human rights, and international solidarity, sustainable lifestyles, social inclusion and active citizenship.

It is based in Rome and it is supported by several regional and local groups of activists. The regional and the local groups support the work of the National Secretariat by dealing with training and the promotion of volunteering in various Italian regions.





Context

In recent years, we have witnessed an intensifying transformation in how European borders are managed and how spaces of migration are designed. The EU's approach to migration management has increasingly relied on a network of detention and processing facilities that treat human movement as a logistical problem to be solved rather than a fundamental right to be protected.

The week-long workshop will be an opportunity to critically and creatively examine these spaces of containment, specifically looking at the buildings that temporarily house people on the move. Using case studies from the local area, as well as perspectives from the participants' own countries, the group will work together to reimagine how these spaces of confinement would look if they were built as spaces of care and hospitality rather than confinement

Main Objectives

A group of 20 young people from Italy, Belgium, France and Albania will participate in a collaborative program designed to critically and creatively explore how European border regimes impact the lives of people on the move.

- 1. 1.Understanding migration dynamics and their social impact
- 2. 2. Sharing personal and community stories of/on migration and
- 3. solidarity
- 4. 3. Fighting misinformation and prejudice through peer education
- 5. 4. Promoting inclusion, tolerance, and youth activism
- 6. 5. Enhancing intercultural understanding and cooperation

Project Activities

Participants will explore various aspects of borders and migration through interactive workshops and hands-on activities. Key activities include:

- Introduction to European border regimes and mobility control
- Conversations with local organizations and activists about methods of resistance and support
- Field visit to the former Regina Pacis facility in San Foca to explore assonances and dissonances between past and present migration infrastructure
- Art workshop for the co-creation of prints, artworks, posters and tapestries that creatively address the themes, objects and narratives developed during the workshop
- Public exhibition and presentation of outcomes including an exhibition

Task as Group Leader

BEFORE the Youth Exchange

- Participate in an online meeting with the organizational team in October 2025.
- Participate and support the project coordinator in the Advanced Planning Visit (APV) in Lecce from the 10th to the 13th of October 2025.
- Be responsible for collecting communication materials during the APV such as pictures, videos and small interviews about the experience, which are going to be posted and shared by the participating organizations in real time during the APV.
- Help with the logistics of your group 4 participants (organize trips, prepare meetings with the group, collect specific needs)





DURING the Youth Exchange

- Be responsible for your group (its well-being, motivation and team spirit) during the week of the Youth Exchange (15th - 23rd November 2025).
- Support the implementation of the project and its activities
- Daily evaluation with the group

AFTER the Exchange

- Support with the reporting
- Assist with the administration (collect tickets, photos, reports, assessments, etc.)

Requirements

The ideal group leader:

- Over 18 years old;
- has experience in working with young people, coordinating groups and non-formal education methods:
- has the interest, motivation, and willingness to follow the project from its beginning to its end;
- has a good knowledge of English and can translate for the participants if necessary;
- has a positive and proactive attitude;
- is very patient, tolerant, and open minded;
- has good organizational skills;
- can cooperate with the organizational team;
- feels responsible for the group, especially for the participants that come from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Economic Conditions

This project is granted by Erasmus+, meaning that all the essential costs of the activities are covered: accommodation, food, travel costs up to a maximum amount per country.

Maximum travel reimbursement:

Group leader organization	Group leader country	Max amount reimbursed
Servizio Civile Internazionale	Italy	No green travel: 211 € 285 € green travel
SCI Belgium	Belgium	No green travel: 309 € Green travel: 417 €
SCI France	France	No green travel: 309 € Green travel: 417 €
PVN Albania	Albania	No green travel: 211 € Green travel: 285 €

How to apply

If you are interested in the position as group leader for this Youth Exchange, please fill out **THIS FORM** by **14th September 2025**. For any questions or doubts: <u>coordinamento@sci-italia.it</u>.