



**Call ESC: “Social Project Development and Youth Work ”
project
in Rome for 12 months**



We are looking for 1 volunteer to join our long-term volunteering project funded by the European Union through the European Solidarity Corps programme, for the period between 21st September 2026 and 20th September 2027.

What is the European Solidarity Corps?

The European Solidarity Corps is a funding programme of the European Union that creates opportunities for young people to undertake a long-term voluntary placement with the costs paid. Projects can be of community interest, in the social, environmental, or cultural field.

To participate in ESC you must be aged between 18 to 30 years old and be motivated by supporting important causes, discovering other cultures and living closely with people from other countries.

Volunteers abroad receive funding to cover accommodation, food, travel, insurance and pocket money through their hosting organisation.

Servizio Civile Internazionale: the coordinator organization



Servizio Civile Internazionale (SCI Italia) is the Italian branch of Service Civil International network (sci.ngo), 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. In the core, there is a real commitment to make a change against inequality, injustice, and violation of human rights.

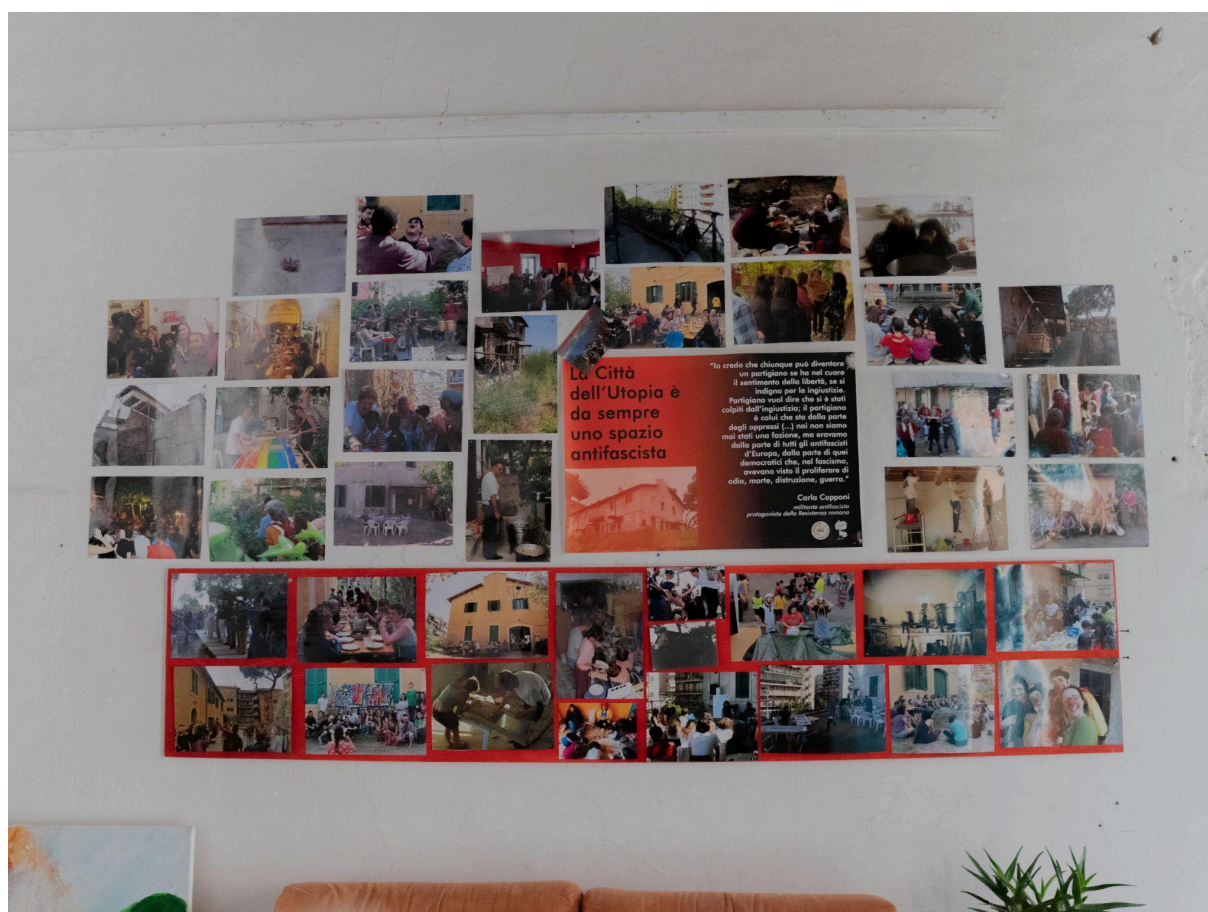
SCI Italia, founded in 1948, is an NGO recognized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Advisory Member of UNESCO and the Council of Europe.

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 trainings and the promotion of volunteering in various Italian regions.

To know more...

- Web site: www.sci-italia.it
- Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/sci.italy>
- Instagram page: <https://www.instagram.com/sciitalia>

The project “La Città dell’Utopia”



SCI Italy's project “**La Città dell’Utopia**” started in 2003 and it is located in the neighbourhood of San Paolo (via Valeriano 3F – Rome), a popular suburban area inhabited mainly by elderly people, university students, and migrant families coming from Latin America, northeastern Europe, Asia, and Africa. The building is used to host several groups and associations working on active citizenships, especially in relation to migration, environmental sustainability, antifascism, gender, and

self-determination of food and consumption. Currently the office where you will work is based here.

The main activities carried out in “La Città dell’Utopia” are:

- Organising and hosting of international workcamps, north/south trainings, and international youth meetings (trainings, seminars, youth exchanges, and capacity building activities).
- Organising and running awareness-raising events.
- Organising conferences, meetings, festivals, photo exhibitions, thematic meals, farmers’ markets, and courses on music, group dancing, language courses, gardening.



To know more...

- Web site: <http://www.lacittadellutopia.org/>
- Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/lacitta.dellutopia.7/>
- Instagram page: www.instagram.com/lacittadellutopia

Activities

The volunteers will take part in the following activities:

- Supporting the staff in the preparation, updating and organisation of project documentation, databases and learning resources related to international mobility, volunteering and youth participation projects.

- Assisting in the collection and analysis of good practices, educational resources and project outcomes to support the development of future solidarity and youth initiatives.
- Contributing to the creation of communication and dissemination materials promoting the values of solidarity, active citizenship, intercultural dialogue and youth participation.
- Supporting the monitoring of project activities through the collection of participants' feedback, testimonies and learning outcomes, while contributing to the documentation of project results and impact.
- Assisting in the organisation and facilitation of meetings, training courses, workshops and international events using non-formal education methodologies.
- Contributing to storytelling activities, the preparation of articles, interviews and digital content highlighting volunteers' experiences and the social impact of projects.
- Supporting the maintenance and strengthening of cooperation with partner organisations and international networks through communication, exchange of information and collaborative activities.
- Assisting in research and information gathering on European programmes, funding opportunities and topics related to solidarity, human rights, inclusion, peace education, active citizenship and youth participation.
- Participating in team meetings, reflection sessions and learning activities aimed at strengthening personal, social and professional competences throughout the volunteering experience.
- Contributing ideas and proposals for the improvement of activities and projects, while being supported by staff members and mentors in a structured learning process.

Support "La Città dell'Utopia"

- Helping in the planning and organisation of cultural events and workshops on active citizenship, especially in the levels of communication, logistics, and operation at "La Città dell'Utopia".
- Supporting the communication area of "La Città dell'Utopia" during its big annual events
- Running a course for the neighbourhood (language, music, IT or any other skill).

Personal project

- Developing a personal project following the lines of the project and the hosting organisation is an important part of the project. The volunteer must be proactive in proposing a project and SCI Italia will provide support to implement it.
- After the project finishes, the volunteers have the responsibility to organise events, as well as produce and spread materials about their experiences here.

Volunteer Profile



Who are we looking for?

We are looking for a young person who is curious, motivated to learn and willing to contribute to international volunteering, youth participation and solidarity projects.

You do not need to have previous professional experience in project management. What matters most is your motivation, openness to learn and interest in working in an international NGO environment.

We would be happy to welcome someone who has:

Interest in international youth work, volunteering, solidarity initiatives and non-formal education.

- Curiosity about European projects, international cooperation and youth participation.
- Motivation to learn how projects are developed, organised and evaluated, with the support of the team.
- Interest in topics such as active citizenship, human rights, peace, inclusion and intercultural dialogue.
- Willingness to support simple project-related tasks, such as collecting information, preparing documents, updating spreadsheets and organising shared folders.
- Confidence in using a computer for basic tasks, such as email, shared documents, Google Drive and simple spreadsheets, and willingness to learn new digital tools when needed.

- Good communication skills and openness to cooperate in an international and multicultural environment.
- Good command of English, spoken and written. Knowledge of Italian is welcome, but not required.
- Initiative, creativity and openness to proposing ideas, while working with the guidance and support of staff members and mentors.
- Interest in teamwork, peer learning and participation in local, national and international networks.
- Flexibility, curiosity and motivation to learn through practical experience in a dynamic NGO environment.

This volunteering experience is designed as a learning opportunity. The volunteer will be supported throughout the process and will have the chance to develop both personal and professional skills.



We will value as positive:

- Previous volunteering experience at local, national or international level.
- Participation in international projects, exchanges or intercultural learning experiences.

- Interest in European programmes, youth participation and international cooperation.
- Experience in NGOs, youth organisations or community-based initiatives.
- Knowledge of additional languages.
- Motivation to contribute to projects promoting peace, solidarity, human rights, inclusion and active citizenship.

Adaptability and openness to living and working in a simple, essential environment, where flexibility, cooperation and a positive attitude are important.

ESC Volunteer management

The daily program consists of 6 hours 5 days a week. There will be 2 consecutive free days/ week and 2 days of holiday for each month. To facilitate the participation of a high number of volunteers, some activities will take place during the weekend. In these cases, the number of working hours done by the volunteer will be adjusted for the following weeks, by reducing working hour's amount or taking days off so that the total number of working hours per week does not exceed 35h.

The volunteer should be legally resident in one of following countries:
Belgium, Bulgaria, Czechia, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland, Sweden, Iceland, Republic of North Macedonia, Turkey, Liechtenstein, Norway, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Territory of Ukraine as recognised by international law.

Project language: English, Italian

Local language: Italian

Pocket money: 350 €

Travel costs: covered according to ESC funding rules, 309 € as maximum reimburse (417 € green travel)

Visa cost: covered up to 100€

Lodging

In a separate flat in “La Città dell’Utopia”, with 3 shared double rooms (up to six international volunteers) kitchen, living room, and bathroom. The accommodation has all the basic facilities (Wi-Fi and washing machine included). The building is historic, so the accommodation is basic. There is no centralised heating or aircon, so it can be humid, cold in the winter, but also perfectly fresh in the summer. The building is surrounded by a very beautiful garden (which means mosquitos in the summer). It is located in a student area close to the metro.

Application procedure

Please send your application (CV and motivation letter in English) to coordinamento@sci-italia.it

The deadline for applying: ASAP

Please note that only candidates whose profile is in line with the requirements of the call will be contacted for the next steps of the selection process.