

Call for Volunteers European Solidarity Corps (ESC)



Volunteer in the field of Volunteer Camps, Placement & Communication
Start February 2027 – For 12 Months
Location: Bonn, Germany

Are you interested in international volunteering, communication, and the work of a peace organisation? Do you enjoy bringing people together and connecting them with meaningful volunteering opportunities? Would you like to gain new skills, discover new perspectives, and become part of an international network working for peace and solidarity?

Then we would be happy to see you apply!

FAQ	
Number of vacancies	1
Start of the volunteer project	February 2027
Duration of voluntary project	12 Months
Place of the project	Bonn in Germany
You can apply,	if you are between 18 and 30 years of age, if you are resident in Europe or an ESC eligible country, if you have good English knowledge.

About the hosting organisation

Service Civil International (SCI) is an international peace and volunteer movement with a history spanning over 106 years. For 80 years, SCI Germany has been bringing people together through volunteer camps, creating opportunities to build friendships across borders, learn from one another and work together for a more peaceful and just world.

Today, SCI connects people and organisations through a global network of more than 100 partner organisations worldwide.

We believe that people from different backgrounds can live and work together in mutual respect and resolve conflicts without violence. Through volunteering, we aim to turn this belief into action by promoting peace, international understanding, solidarity, social justice and environmental sustainability.

In Germany, we work especially with social, ecological, cultural and anti-racist and remembrance projects and organise around 20–25 international volunteer camps each year. During these camps, volunteers from different countries and backgrounds spend two to three weeks living and working together, supporting local initiatives and discovering new perspectives along the way.

Beyond our volunteer camps, we coordinate long-term volunteering opportunities for incoming and outgoing volunteers. Together with our international partners, we also organise training courses and seminars on topics such as peacebuilding, anti-racism, gender equality and climate justice.

Feel free to find out more about our history, mission and international network on the websites of [SCI Germany](#) and [SCI International](#)

About the project

During your volunteering experience with SCI Germany, you will get to know the work of an international peace and volunteer organisation and learn how international volunteering programmes are organised. You will work alongside our project coordinators in the area of international volunteer camps, support a variety of activities and have the opportunity to contribute your own ideas and take on responsibility.

An important part of the project is strengthening the cooperation between SCI Germany and your sending organisation. In your application, we would therefore be happy to hear about your previous experiences and interests, for example in international exchange, volunteer camps, public relations or other voluntary activities.

The project includes the following tasks:

Placement

You will support us in matching volunteers from abroad with suitable volunteer camps in Germany and helping volunteers from Germany find camps abroad. For this, you will use the [Online Placement System \(OPS\)](#), an online database for volunteer camps and applications. You will receive training and guidance to familiarise yourself with the system and the placement process.

Communication

You will communicate with volunteers, international partners and project coordinators, mainly in English and sometimes in German. You will answer questions about our international volunteer camps, support interested applicants with their applications and

help create information materials for participants.

Outreach & Social Media

You will help promote our international volunteer camps on social media and explore creative ways to reach young people and encourage them to get involved in international volunteering. You will also be encouraged to bring in your own ideas and try out different ways of communicating about our work and projects.

Supporting volunteer camps

You will have the opportunity to take part in an international volunteer camp in Germany and visit other camps together with the project coordinator to meet volunteers, introduce SCI and get an impression of how the camps are going. We welcome your ideas for new activities, including online initiatives, and look forward to seeing our work from your perspective.

Other possible tasks

Depending on your interests and the activities taking place during your volunteering period, you may also:

- Take part in training courses, for example on leadership and camp coordination, and seminars on a range of topics.
- Join SCI activities, such as our annual Autumn Festival, where activists and volunteers come together to exchange experiences and connect.
- Participate in an international SCI network conference focused on evaluating and improving cooperation around volunteer camps.
- Support the planning, implementation and evaluation of projects or training activities on topics such as anti-racism, ecology and gender equality.

Your volunteering experience will be shaped together with you. We will agree on specific tasks and activities upon arrival based on your interests, skills and learning goals, as well as the needs of the organisation. We encourage you to bring in your own ideas, explore new interests.

What we offer

- Visa costs and travel budget
- free accommodation
- monthly food allowance of 345 Euro
- average monthly pocket money of 213,50 Euro (7€ per day)
- *Deutschlandticket* (for regional trains and buses in whole Germany)
- discount ticket for fast train connections
- working hours are approx. 32-35 hours per week, occasional weekend work for volunteer camps or seminars → time off in lieu provided
- reimbursement of all expenses connected to your work (like travelling to camps, seminars etc.)
- 30 days of vacation per year
- budget for language course(s)+ access to the online-language system of the European Commission for ESC volunteers.

- insurance through HENNER for ESC volunteers

What we are looking for

- Motivation to contribute to peace work and international volunteering.
- An interest in volunteer camps and international exchange; previous experience with SCI or another voluntary organisation is an advantage.
- Good English skills; basic knowledge of German is an asset.
- Good communication skills, reliability and organisational skills.
- A proactive and self-organised approach, with an openness to sharing ideas with the team
- An interest in office work of an NGO and administrative tasks.
- Experience or an interest in social media, journalism, public relations or graphic design is a plus.

Training: At the beginning of the project, you will take part in our international Placement Officer Training (POT) in Bern, Switzerland, from **14–20 February 2027**. This training will introduce you to the work of SCI and prepare you for supporting international volunteers and volunteer camps.

Accessibility We welcome applications from people of all genders, ethnic backgrounds, religions and sexual orientations.

Due to the current accessibility limitations of our office and accommodation, we may unfortunately not be able to accommodate volunteers with certain mobility impairments. If you have any accessibility requirements or support needs that we should take into account, please feel free to contact us. We will be happy to discuss your needs with you and explore possible solutions together.

Eligibility Criteria

This project is funded by the European Solidarity Corps (ESC). To apply, you must:

- Be between 18 and 30 years old.
- Be a resident or citizen of [a country eligible for the European Solidarity Corps](#), in accordance with the programme rules.
- Have not previously completed a long-term individual volunteering activity under the European Solidarity Corps (ESC) or the former European Voluntary Service (EVS)

How to apply

- Apply through your sending organisation, use the [SCI application form](#) + attach your CV please
- We will arrange online meeting in English or German with the candidates during the third and fourth week of November
- From your sending organisation we ask for a recommendation letter, if possible

Application deadline: 15th of November 2026