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Strategic EVS

Info pack for applicants

COORDINATING ORGANISATION:

Association for Culture and Education PiNA

HOSTING ORGANISATIONS:

Association for Culture and Education PiNA

Youth EPI center Piran

Youth Center Koper

SREDIŠČE ROTUNDA, Social Centre of Primorska

ŠENT-The Slovenian Association for Mental Health

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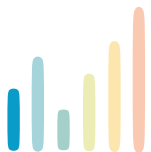


Application procedure

Dear Applicant,

we hope that this info pack will contribute to your understanding of our strategic EVS project and that it will give you useful information about the available EVS placements and the environment we offer to our volunteers.

Please read all the info carefully before applying!



ABOUT THE PROJECT

The project aims to promote and give value to voluntary work in the Slovenian Coastal-Karst Region. In order to achieve this aim, the project foresees the realization of 7 long-term EVS mobility schemes in cooperation with different local receiving organisations.

All the schemes will start on 1st March and finish on 30th November 2018 (9 months) or 28th February 2019 (12 months).

For 4 days per week, the volunteers will be active in different receiving organisations, while once a week they will collaborate with one another and implement common activities under the supervision of the coordinating organisation - PiNA. *They will:*

- organise promotional activities of the European Voluntary Service and other learning mobility programs and the importance of non-formal learning;
- organise a common action aimed to have a wider social impact on a specific target group or local community;
- participate in different educational activities and activities of recognition and valorization of competences acquired through volunteering and/or non-formal learning.



Activities are planned in a way to have an effect on all the volunteers involved in the project; young people from the region; coordinating, receiving and sending organizations and also to contribute to raising awareness of the importance of voluntary work and its wider social impact. Young volunteers involved in the project will be selected based on their motivation to work in the youth field and/or to perform activities with a social impact.



ABOUT THE EUROPEAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE

An EVS project is a partnership between the volunteer and two or more organisations. Volunteers participate in EVS through a Sending Organisation in the country where they live and a Receiving Organisation that receives and hosts them during their period of service.

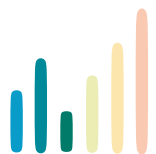
Projects last from 2 weeks to 12 months, and as a volunteer you can work in a wide range of fields: such as culture, youth, sport, children, cultural heritage, arts, animal welfare, environment and development cooperation. At the end of your EVS period, you will receive a certificate confirming your participation and describing your project – the Youthpass.

You will receive free accommodation, food, insurance, pocket money and the reimbursement of your travel costs.

For a better understanding of the program, we invite you to watch the video below. It presents the European Voluntary Service program and highlights its benefits while showing the multicultural experience that await volunteers. The video has been created from the volunteers' point of view who want to encourage the largest number of young people to participate in an EVS project.

[Watch the video here](#)





ABOUT THE HOSTING ORGANIZATIONS

Association for Culture
and Education
PiNA



Youth EPI center Piran



Youth Center Koper



SREDIŠČE ROTUNDA,
Social Centre of
Primorska



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Association for Mental
Health





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Association for culture and education PiNA

Gregorčičeva 6, 6000 Koper, Slovenia

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Contact person:

Urška Vezovnik and Ema Weixler - terminal@pina.si

Field of the volunteering:

Youth Work // Multimedia // Active Citizenship

Volunteer profile:

PROJECT MANAGEMENT:

Highly motivated young people with an interest in gaining some project management skills. Preferably passionate about EU themes, European programs and funding mechanisms and willing to work with youth and in the NGO field.

OR

MULTIMEDIA:

Highly motivated young people with an interest in graphic design, shooting, editing post production, photography, website production, and willing to work with youth and in the NGO field.



Working hours:

The working days will be from Monday to Friday, for around 6 hours per day (9am-3pm). Evenings and weekends will be free.

Description of the activities and tasks:

PROJECT MANAGEMENT:

- providing general administrative support to international projects
- helping to produce proposals, plans and reports
- organizing and maintaining project files and databases
- assisting in monitoring project budgets, scheduling meetings and preparing presentations
- assisting in planning and implementing Europe Direct activities
- networking and more

OR

MULTIMEDIA:

- photographing and shooting video of different events and projects
- work in the audio studio
- video-streaming of different events
- graphic design for publications of brochures and other production formats
- directing, editing and post production of different video projects
- journalistic work on blogs, writing articles.



About the organization:

PiNA - Association for Culture and Education, is a non-profit non-governmental organization, with a vision to improve the development of civil society, democratic dialogue and guarantee public/open access to modern tools of information and communication technology. PiNA was founded in 1997 following the initiative of the Open Society Institute of Slovenia; since that time, the mission is to offer quality educational, cultural, research and awareness-raising activities. The expectation is to give something back to society, and to have a positive, enduring influence on the target population. All of PiNA's projects share a common idea: social impact, and its focus on four main areas: ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP, INTERNATIONAL (CO)OPERATION, HUMAN RIGHTS, CREATIVITY AND SOCIAL REFLECTION.

With our regular activities such as workshops, courses for trainers, round tables, conferences, exhibitions, presentations, awareness-raising campaigns, evenings for physical, static and inter-media art performances and lectures, we seek to encourage those in our surroundings to constantly reflect and critically re-think social norms, thus opening space for dialogue and discussion on important social issues.

Since our small beginnings, we have developed many projects with success. In January 2013, our organization was appointed as Europe Direct Information Centre; again in the same year, the project Youth Vote developed by the Association was the national winner of the European Charlemagne Youth Prize 2012. It was awarded by the Ministry for Education with the title Best Innovative Project for Youth 2013. Since 2013, PiNA has also held the status of "organization working in the public interest," as appointed by the Ministry of Education, Republic of Slovenia. In 2017, PiNA became one of the 12 regional HUBs for NGOs in Slovenia.



ŠPORTNI IN MLADINSKI CENTER PIRAN
CENTRO SPORTIVO E GIOVANILE DI PIRANO

Youth EPI center Piran

Ulica IX. korpusa 44a, 6330 Piran, Slovenia

Web page • FACEBOOK

Contact person:

Patricija Lovišček and Martina Mrakovčič
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Field of the volunteering:

Youth Work// Active Citizenship

Volunteer profile:

We are looking for a volunteer that would like to work with young people (aged 13 - 29) and children (aged 7 - 12), and would like to help in creating the daily programme of our youth center.



Working hours:

The working days will be from Monday to Friday, for around 6 hours per day, mostly in the afternoon (1pm -7pm). Weekends will be free.

Description of the activities and tasks:

The volunteer will be able to participate in all the activities held at the Youth EPI Center Piran that will suit his or her wishes and needs. For the implementation of individual activities, the volunteer will be provided with training and help from the staff and local volunteers.

The proposed activities are:

- help with the everyday activities of the youth center
- conducting workshops for children and adolescents (intercultural integration) according to the experience and knowledge of the volunteer
- help with career guidance for young people
- raising awareness among young people about the possibilities of the Erasmus program
- the implementation of a language club for young people in their own language or other language (non-formal learning of foreign languages)
- assistance in designing promotional materials
- writing for the website, Facebook and other social networking sites
- assistance in the preparation and implementation of projects
- developing your own project
- participation in weekly team meetings



About the organization:

Športni in mladinski center Piran, Mladinski EPI center Piran (Youth EPI Center Piran) is a youth center, established by the municipality of Piran. The center operates in two locations - in Piran and in Lucija.

The youth center aims to provide young people living or going to school in the Municipality of Piran with the following:

- a safe place where they can spend their free time
- organized extracurricular activities (theatre, language clubs, arts etc.)
- support and guidance
- help with homework and studying
- international youth exchanges
- volunteering opportunities
- career orientation activities and more

Both youth centers are open from Monday to Friday in the afternoon (except on public holidays). During the summer (and other holidays), we organize activities for children aged 6 to 10 years old in the form of a «day camp».

The youth that we usually work with are between 10 and 19 years old, but with different projects we try to involve all young people up to the age of 29. The staff consists of 5 youth workers and some volunteers.



Youth center Koper
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[FACEBOOK](#) • [Web](#) • [Web magazine](#)

Contact person:

Patrik Holz and Mojca Vojska - info@mladi-koper.si

Field of the volunteering:

Youth work // Multimedia

Volunteer profile:

MULTIMEDIA:

Highly motivated young people with an interest in graphic design, shooting video, editing post production, photography, web publication and willing to work with young people.

OR

YOUTH WORKER:

Highly motivated young people with interest in gaining some project and event organization skills, technical skills in the field of sound and stage light mastering. Connecting and informing young visitors about the youth center.

Description of the activities and tasks:

MULTIMEDIA

- photographing and shooting video of different events and projects
- post production of multimedia files
- graphic design for flyers, posters and web magazine (CMK magazine - published on issuu.com)
- directing, editing and post production of different video projects
- journalistic work, writing articles for our youth magazine

OR

YOUTH WORKER

- operating with sound and stage lights during events
- informing and networking with visitors at the youth center
- planning, assisting and implementing projects and events
- assisting and helping with the preparation of rooms before and after events

Working hours:

The working days will vary from week to week, but during the afternoons. From Monday to Saturday, 5 days per week for around 6 hours per day (2pm-8pm). Mornings will be free.



About the organization:

The Youth Center Koper (CMK) is a non-profit organization, established in 2015, and a place where you can spend quality leisure time. In CMK, young people can meet each other, have a great time and party at different kinds of concerts during the week or at weekends. There are also theatre plays, literary evenings, stand-up comedy events, travelogues, different workshops and non-formal lectures.

In CMK, visitors can play table soccer, billiards, table tennis, darts and Nintendo Wii. Our place also offers a room where music bands or individuals can practise their instruments. We also lend multimedia equipment (photo and video cameras, projectors etc.). The visitors can borrow books from our library in Slovenian and foreign languages (English, German, Italian, etc.) All this is free without membership. There is also a bar (Tranzistor bar) and a NGO which gives music lectures. As a youth center, we focus on young people, but organisers and visitors vary in age from 8 to 60 years old.

Youth Center Koper is an open-minded and very tolerant place. It welcomes anyone who wishes to be active in their free time and who wants to gain new skills and knowledge in a fun way.

The size of the venue is 400m². It has:

- a main concert hall for up to 200 people
- a social space for 50 people
- a smaller social space for 15 people
- a games room with 2 table soccer and pool tables
- an open terrace
- room for practice
- 3 small offices

Opening hours:

Monday – Thursday

10.00 – 20.00 (during events until 22.00)

Friday

10.00 – 20.00 (during events until 24.00)

Saturday

Closed (in case of an event, it is open)





Središče Rotunda, Koper, so.p.
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[Web](#) • [Facebook](#)

Contact person:

Tanja Derin - tanja@sredisce-rotunda.si

Field of the volunteering:

Social entrepreneurship // Multimedia //
Project Work // Youth Work

Volunteer profile:

MULTIMEDIA:

Young, motivated individuals with an interest in graphic design, photography, website editing and willing to work in the NGO field, thereby gaining great skill in visual arts and teamwork.

OR

PROJECT MANAGEMENT:

Motivated individuals with an interest in entrepreneurship, preferably in social entrepreneurship, and who are willing to gain some management skills. An aptitude for creativity, with analytical abilities, yet with a capability to bring different elements together depending on the situation.

Description of the activities and tasks:

MULTIMEDIA

- helping within the audio-visual area on projects
- taking photos of events and projects
- help in reordering the company's website: working with Excel, Word; new design ideas and more
- assistance with the scheduling of meetings and preparation of materials

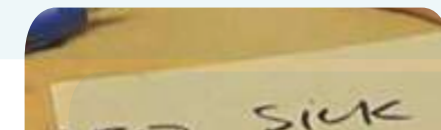
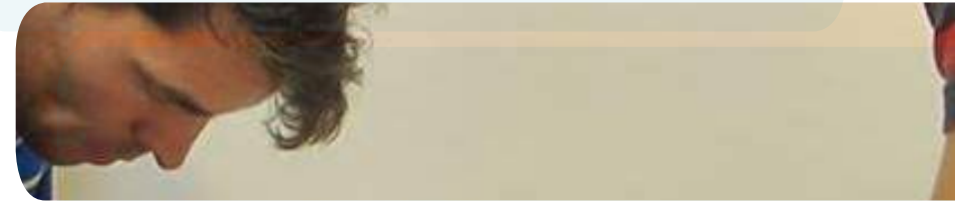
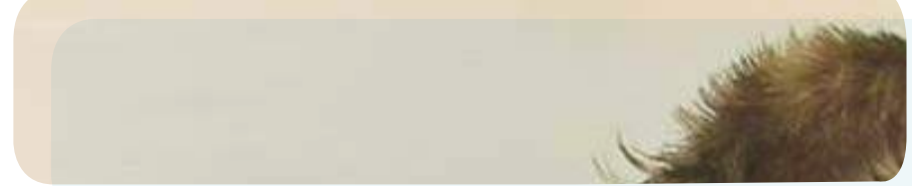
OR

YOUTH WORKER

- help in organizing lectures (gaining organizational skills)
- contribution to thematic events (new ideas for events, co-creating workshops contests)
- work coordination and general administrative support
- assistance in future projects
- networking.

Working hours:

Monday to Friday, from 9am to 4pm.



About the organization:

Središče Rotunda is non-governmental, non-profit, non-political voluntary organization. It was established to implement programs with a view to the needs and problems of the region, and is located in the center of the old town of Koper. From the very beginning, the Središče Rotunda has been working towards its main goals as a regional promoter in the field of active citizenship, lifelong learning, information and counselling to improve the quality of life, as well as democracy and strengthening civil society in the region. We focus on the area of youth, along with educational, information and consultancy services. One of our priorities is also to support NGOs and social entrepreneurship in our region in order to strengthen mutual cooperation and common sustainable development.

We promote the creativity of youth and encourage the empowerment and participation of young people in the processes and decisions that affect their lives. Our activities are offered to this demographic through: informal education, local youth information, voluntary work.

We organize numerous lectures about education, interpersonal relationships, communication and other topics concerning family and relations with others. Selected trainees are offered the possibility of learning through spiritual and personal growth.

Within the region we are strengthening the role of NGOs and social enterprises through numerous activities: social entrepreneurship to support networking and collaboration, and the provision of support and consultancy services for NGOs and social entrepreneurship.

We offer skills courses – basic and advanced sewing, rhetoric courses for public speaking, courses for creative clothing processing, and other informal education courses in addition to workshops.





ŠENT – Slovenian association for mental health

Vergerijev trg 3, 6000 Koper, Slovenia

[Web](#) • [Facebook](#)

Contact person:

Tina Nanut - tina.nanut@dc.sent.si

Field of the volunteering:

Mental health

Volunteer profile:

Highly motivated young people with interest in working with people with mental health problems. Preferably with priority skills: open communication and empathy, team and group work, humanitarian themes, with different hobbies (sport, handcraft, music, etc.).



Description of the activities and tasks:

- socializing with users
- working in small groups, leading small group
- running different free-time, creative, educational workshops
- assisting in daily activities of the day centre

Working hours:

The working days will be from Monday till Friday, for around 6 hours per day (9am-3pm). Evenings and weekends will be free.

About the organization:

ŠENT - Slovenian Association for Mental Health- is a non-profit, non-governmental humanitarian organisation established to aid individuals with mental health issues, those in temporary mental distress, as well as their relatives and anyone else interested in mental health. ŠENT was established in 1993. It holds the status of a humanitarian organization granted by the Ministry of Labour, Family and Social Affairs on the basis of its humanitarian activities.

Our programmes and activities include:

- psychosocial rehabilitation of people with mental health problems,
- improvement of their social situation,
- creating opportunities for independent and quality living,

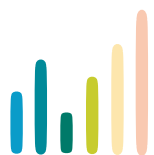
ŠENT's centres for mental health are present in almost all Slovenian regions. The volunteer will be active in the local unit – Day centre Koper.

The program of the Day centre is carried out in the form of group and individual activities. Its goal is the psychosocial rehabilitation for the quickest possible integration back into the every-day life.

Activities in the day centre are adapted to the needs of its users with the help of professional workers. We offer:

- psychosocial rehabilitation workshops (social skills training, interactional exercises etc.),
- self-help groups for relatives and users,
- educational workshops (foreign languages, computer courses, cooking workshops etc.),
- creative workshops (music workshop, handwork, working with clay, painting workshop etc.),
- free-time workshops (board games, exercising etc.),
- trips, camps, holidays, hikes,
- lectures and round
- visits to exhibitions, events, and shows and many other activities.
- individual counselling that involves: counselling, informative and relief discussions, and individual planning.





LOCAL

ENVIRONMENT

From the point of view
of an EVS volunteer

Slovenia, located in the center of Europe, is one of the smallest countries on the continent. Despite its small land area of 20 273 km², Slovenia offers a variety of landscapes and activities. Only a few kilometers are necessary to travel between the sea, the mountains, the caves, forests, vineyards and the turquoise rivers. Italy, Austria and Hungary, it's quick and easy to visit new cities.

The small size of Slovenia is a perfect opportunity for volunteers who would like to travel within the country and in the neighbouring areas during a short period of time. Between the borders of Croatia,



The range of territory provides an opportunity for volunteers to find and easily practice their favorite activities in nature (swimming, skiing, hiking, biking, photography, ...). Besides the natural activities, Ljubljana (the capital city) is located in the center of Slovenia and is an easy place to reach for shopping, hanging out with friends or participating in different and various events.



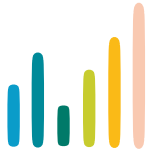


The Slovenian coast, located between the Italian and Croatian borders, has the charm of small Italian villages and represents the favorite destination of Slovenian people during the summer. Between the bigger towns of Koper and Portorož and smaller towns such as Piran, Izola, Lucija, Ankaran or Strunjan, everyone can find something to benefit their wellbeing from the various activities on offer. In Koper, there are many different kinds of shops, restaurants and bars, while a great and modern place has been created for sports practice (basketball, football, tennis, running, gym,...). It's also possible to discover the whole Slovenian coast by bike or on foot, thanks to the bike path that connects Koper, Izola and Portorož, and which runs alongside the sea.

Each volunteer has the chance to meet other volunteers while being in Slovenia thanks to the training organized at the beginning and in the middle of their voluntary work. The volunteer network is an important part of the volunteer's everyday life through which he or she can get to know people from all over Europe and discover new cultures and languages. Many Erasmus students are also present in the bigger cities in Slovenia (Ljubljana, Maribor, Koper,...), and therefore, represent another occasion for volunteers to meet more people and practice activities together in their city. In Koper, different student organizations are very active and offer several activities and events.

The Slovenian coast, and more generally Slovenia, is a great destination for volunteers who want to be active while being in a quiet, healthy and varied environment.

Written by Emma Garnier, EVS at PiNA



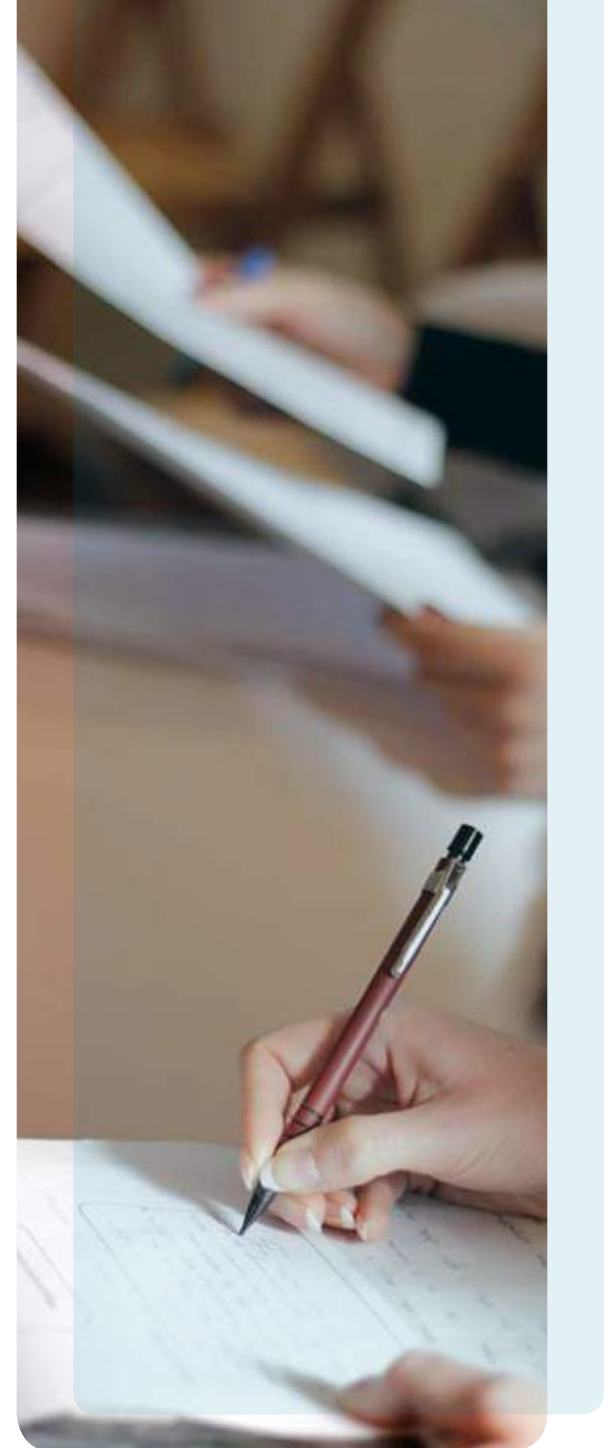
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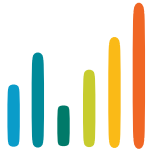
Working days will be from Monday to Friday, for around 6 hours per day. Evenings and weekends will be free. The volunteers will have an opportunity to take some working days off. In the period of 4 working weeks, there are 2 free days available. There will also be organised free-time activities, language courses and other educational activities, which will not be obligatory to attend. The first weeks will consist of an induction, and allow for time to get to know each other, as well as the working areas and the culture of Slovenia. We will use the final part of the voluntary working period to write the volunteer's final report and to finalise the Youthpass (the mentors will have an active supporting role).

Each volunteer will:

- receive monthly pocket money to the amount of 85 EUR and an additional 170 EUR per month for food expenses
- be registered for the EVS insurance scheme.CIGNA
- be reimbursed for travel costs (max 275 EUR per volunteer)
- receive a task related mentor and external mentor
- receive an opportunity to develop a personal project
- be offered a chance to take a language course

The volunteers will live in a flat in the city center of Koper or in a residential area nearby, sharing a room with another EVS volunteer.



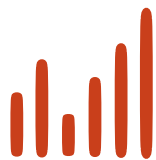


WHO CAN APPLY?

The call is open to young people aged 18-30

from Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovak Republic, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey or United Kingdom.





APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Send your application form, along with your CV to terminal@pina.si. In the subject of the e-mail please write ACT FOR YOU ACT FOR ALL and name your files name_surname_APPLICATION and name_surname_CV.

Deadline for application is 15th December 2017.



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SREDIŠČE ROTUNDA



ŠPORTNI IN MLADINSKI CENTER PIRAN
CENTRO SPORTIVO E GIOVANILE DI PIRANO

