

The European Solidarity Corps

2018-2020

The European Solidarity Corps is a programme that:

- ... brings together young people who want to build a **more inclusive society** and support vulnerable people
- ... gives young people the opportunity to address **social challenges**
- ... aims at improving young people's **skills and employability**.

Volunteering (decentralised action)

Volunteering projects offer young people the opportunity to carry out an unpaid voluntary service, thus contributing to the daily work of organisations that are active in the field of solidarity.

Young people can participate in volunteering activities either as individuals or in teams of 10 to 40 volunteers. Volunteering teams may, for example, dedicate themselves to the restoration of cultural heritage or to the care of endangered species, or to educational activities in refugee camps.

+ Who can submit a volunteering project?

Luxembourg-based host and supporting organisations holding a valid Quality Label or an Erasmus+ accreditation as well as a national accreditation (*agrément national*). Cross-border individual volunteering projects are based on the partnership of at least two organisations from two countries (participating countries or partner countries). For in-country activities and team volunteering activities, at least one quality labelled organisation is required.

+ Who can participate in a volunteering project?

Young people aged between 18 and 30 years and registered in the European Solidarity Corps Portal.

Traineeships and jobs (decentralised action)

In the framework of traineeships and jobs projects, young people are offered the opportunity of working in a EU member State while gaining work experience and new professional skills in the field of solidarity.

+ Who can submit a traineeship and jobs project?

Any type of organisation or company based in Luxembourg and active in the solidarity sector. The applicant organisation needs to hold a Quality Label. Traineeships and jobs projects are implemented by at least one EU member State organisation.

+ Who can participate in a traineeship and job project?

Young people aged between 18 and 30 years residing in an EU member State and registered in the European Solidarity Corps Portal.

Solidarity Projects (decentralised action)

Solidarity projects allow groups of at least 5 young people, registered in the European Solidarity Corps, to organise and implement innovative solidarity projects in their own country and to engage with their local community. These projects must address key challenges in society and include a European dimension.

+ Who can submit a solidarity project?

Groups of five or more young people aged between 18 and 30 years, residing in Luxembourg and registered in the European Solidarity Corps Portal.

Deadlines for submission of applications at decentralised level (at noon, 12.00 h Brussels time):

Volunteering projects:	5 February 2020 / 30 April 2020 / 1 October 2020
Traineeships and jobs projects:	5 February 2020 / 30 April 2020 / 1 October 2020
Solidarity projects:	5 February 2020 / 30 April 2020 / 1 October 2020