

Southbound volunteers

Hosting Norwegian EVS volunteers in Southern Europe

Do you represent an accredited EVS hosting or co-ordinating organisation in Spain, Portugal, Italy or France?

Would you like to have a Norwegian volunteer to help out in your project?

Are you interested in building partnerships with serious Norwegian sending organisations, who can help you recruit suitable volunteers for your project?

Or do you represent an accredited Norwegian EVS sending organisation?

Do you want to help Norwegian young people to find suitable hosting organisations in Spain, Portugal, Italy or France?

Aim of the seminar:

- Support hosting organisations in southern Europe find suitable Norwegian volunteers for their projects
- Support Norwegian sending organisations and hosting organisations in southern Europe in building partnership and develop mutual trust and understanding
- Support Norwegian EVS volunteers finding host projects in southern Europe
- Facilitate the building of good partnerships between senders and hosts in EVS projects
- Start concrete project planning in matched teams of sending and hosting organisations

Target groups:

- Norwegian accredited sending organisations who are willing and able to recruit and send volunteers to the hosting projects presented in the seminar. I.e. they should preferably have contact with – or be willing to openly recruit - volunteers with different backgrounds, needs, skills and competences, in order to match the needs of the hosting organisations
- Accredited EVS hosting and co-ordinating organisations from Spain, Portugal, Italy or France who are willing and able to host Norwegian volunteers in their projects. If they are willing to host volunteers with fewer possibilities, this will be considered positive (but not necessary)

Participants:

10 NO sending organisations

2-4 ES hosting organisations

3-4 PT hosting organisations

3-4 IT hosting organisations

2-4 FR hosting organisations

Venue: Malaga, Spain

Dates: 19-23- March. 20-22 March will be working days, 19 and 23 will be arrival and departure days.

Costs:

Food and accommodation will be covered by the organiser.

Travel costs will be covered by the involved National Agencies – please contact your NA for more information on terms and practical details etc.

Programme:

The programme will be based on non-formal learning methods, and will be run by inspiring and creative trainers well experienced in the Youth in Action programme. A draft and very general programme is presented below, a more detailed programme will be developed in due course.

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Morning		Introduction to the seminar Getting to know each other	Partnerships in EVS Roles and responsibilities	How to apply: Practical issues concerning preparation and implementation of EVS projects	Departure
Lunch					
Afternoon	Arrival	Presenting of hosting organisations Presenting of sending organisations	Matching of partners	Evaluation and plans for follow-up	
Dinner					
Evening		Networking	More networking	Cultural activities / sightseeing - optional	