



EVS proposal
European volunteers for conservation project
22nd June – 15th October 2016 (4 months)
In 3 places in France...

Context	<p>Etudes et Chantiers is a non-profit making organization which develops environmental and inheritance conservation projects, through different actions and publics: inclusion work, training work, voluntary work and other actions of sustainable development in rural areas.</p> <p>A group of 8 European volunteers and 2 French volunteers will be hosted. This team will take part in the enhancement of the natural and building heritage.</p> <p>The volunteers will have the chance to work on tree counties 'Sarthe', 'Mayenne' (in the region of Pays de la Loire), and 'Côtes d'Armor' (in the region of Brittany). The volunteers will travel and spend time outside their lodging location for several week camps. That will be the opportunity to discover local culture and people.</p>
Project aims	<p>The team of volunteers will take part to several kind of activities :</p> <p>A/ Technical activities: environmental and inheritance conservation, restoration of a pond, organization of a local festival, creation of a collective garden ... (others activities are being built).</p> <p>The activities will be supervised by the technical leaders of the organization.</p> <p>B/ Educational activities: Raising awareness on environmental issues and local heritage (with schools, local population, visitors ...), link with the local actors.</p>
Team profile	<p>The team: 2 French volunteers and 8 European volunteers</p> <p>Period : 22nd June – 15th October 2016</p> <p>Being a volunteer requires the appropriate profile, commitment, sense of responsibility, open minded and availability for the whole duration of the project. Willing to live a collective experience.</p> <p>The volunteers will have to deal with a mixed group of different nationalities and create relationships with local communities.</p> <p>A first experience in volunteering would be a plus as well as knowledge in the conservation of heritage. Interest for Interest for French language and culture.</p>
Activities	<p>The team of volunteers will be supervised by the professional technical leaders on all supports which involved specific skills. The volunteers will work from Monday to Friday, 35 hours a week. The volunteers will have days off between the activities.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A. <u>Technical tasks</u></p> <p>1. Water-mill of Cordouen, Saint Calais du Désert, Mayenne, Pays de la Loire :</p> <p><u>Location</u> : countryside <u>Dates</u> : 3,5 weeks in June-July <u>Accommodation</u> : rural campsite with electricity, showers and dry toilets <u>Project</u>: Environment and local event preparation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Restoration of a pond for the preservation of biodiversity. ○ Preparation of a full day and evening event including nature walk, games tournament, horse and donkey riding, live music, cinema, etc... This event has been running for the 5 last years and is gaining popularity in this countryside! → "Les Veillées de Cordouen" <p>2. Young workers' hostel, Le Mans, Sarthe, Pays de la Loire :</p> <p><u>Location</u> : city center <u>Dates</u> : 3 weeks in august <u>Accommodation</u> : Collective rooms in a young workers' hostel : http://www.flore-habitatjeunes.org/logement.php <u>Project</u> : Creation of a collective garden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Creation of wood planters/flowers ○ Creation of garden furniture ○ Etc...

	<p>3. Federations of municipalities “Pays de Bégard”, Côtes d’Armor, Brittany</p> <p><u>Location</u> : countryside <u>Dates</u> : 3 weeks in September <u>Accommodation</u> : Collective rooms in a collective accommodation : http://lepalacret.org/site/?q=content/%E2%80%99h%C3%A9bergement-collectif <u>Project</u> : We don’t know yet, under construction...</p> <p>B. <u>Educational activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Develop relationship with local population by working on various technical supports. ○ Preparation of multicultural events ○ Enhancement of European voluntary experience with schools, local population, young workers etc... ○ As part of the cultural exchange, volunteers will take part to the cultural programs with local community.
<p>Hosting arrangements</p>	<p>Accommodation in “Le Mans city”, and in “Pays de Bégard”: 2/3 persons shared bedroom in ‘home for young workers and youth hostel’, all facilities, internet access...</p> <p>Food provided</p> <p>European Voluntary service allowance: about 115 €/month</p> <p>A car will be provided for work trip and also for leisure activities on weekends and holidays.</p>
<p>Leisure activities</p>	<p>There are many things to do around, check out yourself :</p> <p>http://www.enpaysdelaloire.com/ http://www.lemanstourisme.com/dnn/ http://www.tourismebretagne.com/informations-pratiques/informations-touristiques/offices-de-tourisme</p> <p>For examples :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Le Mont Saint Michel → 188 km By car : 2h45 By train : 2h30 • Paris → 208 km By car : 2h15 By train : 50min • Saint Malo → 223 km By car : 2h20 By train : 2h30 • Caen (the Normandy Landing beaches) → 162 km By car : 1h40 By train: 1h45 • Futuroscope Poitiers → 207 km By car : 2h20 By train: 2h15 • ETC....
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