



Project title: ROME21 CALLS EUROPE

Duration: 8 months

Destination: 1 volunteer from Europe will be welcomed in Milan at the AVIS Regionale Lombardia.

Objectives of the project:

- 1) identify the European voluntary needs of the Gift with which new relationships, exchanges of good practices, concrete collaborations and youth exchanges take place;
- 2) create a network between European organizations that engage in the active involvement of young people to share the tools, intervention methods and results obtained;
- 3) create new tools for the involvement of young women generated in gifts and volunteering;
- 4) create targeted tools for the promotion of volunteering and gifts aimed at the university population (sector for which it does not provide for the structured intervention format);
- 5) involve the local youth population in association activities with the communication tools created.

The FIODS (International Federation of Blood Donor Organizations), supporter of the project, will call to participate in the activities, over 80 federates (which includes about 18 million donors worldwide) to strengthen the network between the actions envisaged by the project. It will also involve the 2 volunteers in its most relevant activities including: - the celebrations of the World Blood Donor Day (of which FIODS is one of the founders, together with WHO and IRC) which will take place in Rome on June 14, 2021 - the International Youth Committee (IYC), the network that brings together volunteers from member countries between 18 and 30 years old.

The young people hosted in Milan will also be involved in the activities promoted by the Volunteer Service Center (Ciessevi) of Milan (with which Avis has collaborated permanently), and in the territorial proposals, addressed to the young population, promoted by the Cooperative Abitare, another supporting body of the project.

Profile of the ideal candidate:

The "ideal" candidate for this project is a male/female strongly interested in themes of active solidarity, volunteering, gift and participation in citizenship. A person who, through the choice of

intense and continuous voluntary experience, intends to strengthen their skills, broaden their cultural horizons, build an identity of a citizen who "thinks globally and acts locally". Furthermore, it shares the values of Volunteering and Gift and believes in promoting a society based on solidarity, shared responsibility, mutual support and mutual understanding. Avis Lombardia does not have in mind, for the "ideal" candidate, a defined strong skills profile. What matters is mainly the concrete will to participate in a volunteering project. This is necessary to open up to the new and to experiment with different ways of meeting and relating to young people, also through a "peer to peer" relationship and intercultural exchange.

Advantages: candidates will be guaranteed board, lodging, public transport pass, reimbursement for air travel to / from the country of origin and a small monthly "pocket money". The experience includes participation in a language course as well as training on the European volunteering experience.

Participants will live a significant experience of personal growth and cultural exchange that will open their minds, broaden their horizons, strengthen their key skills, start a long life learning process that will allow them to face the challenges of their professional future and staff with more tools. and skills. Learning to learn, reflecting on one's own experiences, strengthening transversal and interpersonal skills, will represent their precious "tools" of their cultural background. The experience abroad will also have a strong impact on the development of their autonomy and independence, as well as on their language skills, on their interpersonal communication, on their understanding of other cultures. The permanence both within Avis and of the Spanish association that will be identified, including their knowledge of new ways and new possibilities of participation in the life of the local community and will make them ready and an active participation in the first person.