INFOPACK PARTNERSHIP BUILDING ACTIVITY



NETWORKS IN BLOOM

From January 19 to 23 in Zaragoza, Spain





Context

This **Partnership Building Activity (PBA)** consists of three days of interactive sessions where participants will have the opportunity to exchange good practices and strengthen networks with likeminded associations and organizations active in the Erasmus+ program.

This PBA is part of our **Erasmus+ KA1 Accreditation**, and this year we will develop methodologies related to **nature and art**. While the main focus of the PBA will be on networking and partnership development, the activity will also explore this year's accreditation themes, reflecting on how these topics can inspire creativity, promote well-being, and enrich future Erasmus+ initiatives.

Participants will also have the chance to discover **VALS' local initiatives**, which combine artistic expression with environmental awareness, gaining insights and best practices for using art and nature to create meaningful learning experiences.

By the end of the project, participants will have built new partnerships, explored innovative methodologies, and developed skills to design projects that integrate **art, nature, and non-formal education.**

Target group

This PBA is intended for **staff members, facilitators, trainers, and individuals** involved in Erasmus+ projects who are interested in building new partnerships, developing collaborative initiatives, and connecting with like-minded organizations.

Age: 18+ (no upper age limit)

About us

Viaje a la Sostenibilidad (VALS) is an independent, environmentalist, social non-profit organization based in Zaragoza, Spain.

We focus on sustainability, social entrepreneurship and we are committed to work towards a more inclusive, equitable society through non-formal educational activities with young people.

VALS is an Accredited KA1 Erasmus+ organization and is actively involved in several projects at local and international level in order to:

- Promote a sustainable and inclusive society by fostering engagement of the local community and spread the european values at an international level
- Increase physical activity among people through sport, green mobility and recreation
- Provide opportunities for young people and adults to exchange their experiences in an intercultural environment
- Empower people by strengthening their entrepreneurial capacity; promote tolerance, intercultural dialogue.

Website

https://viajealasostenibilidad.org/en/

Instagram

@viaje_a_la_sostenibilidad

Programme

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19/01 - 23/01/2026 Zaragoza, Spain

TIMEFRAME	MONDAY 19 JAN	TUESDAY 20 JAN	WEDNESDAY 21 JAN	THURSDAY 22 JAN	FRIDAY 23 JAN
MORNING SESSION 9:30 - 13:00	ARRIVAL	Icebreaking and getting to know us	Exploring Local Impact	Future projects dreaming	DEPARTURE
		Team building		Future projects Designing	
AFTERNOON SESSION 15:00 - 17:30		NGO Market	Creative Workshop	Future projects Designing	
			Contributions	Evaluation and Reflexion	
EVENING	Social dinner	Free evening	Intercultural evening	Free evening	







Accommodation

Zaragoza is the capital of Aragón region, located along the Ebro river, in northeastern Spain. It's a city with lots of history and beauty to be discovered, with a lot to offer on the cultural side, if you've never been to Zaragoza, this is a great opportunity to pay a visit.

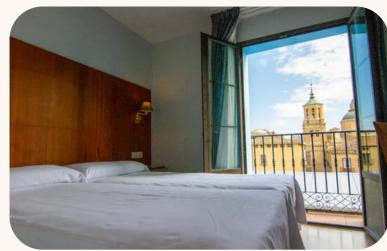
Participants will be accommodated at <u>Hotel Hispania</u>, located in the city centre of Zaragoza.

The rooms will be shared with other participants (double or triple), each room has a private bathroom.

During the project, full board will be provided, including breakfast, lunch, and dinner. If selected, we'll kindly ask you to inform us of any dietary necessities so we can accommodate them and make your stay as enjoyable as possible.

No need to bring bedsheets or towels, as they will be provided by the hotel.







How to get to Zaragoza?

To **minimize environmental impact,** we encourage you to prioritize direct flights whenever possible and opt for sustainable transportation options. **GREEN TRAVEL alternatives**, such as carsharing, buses, or trains, are strongly recommended.

If you're planning to fly, you can check the international airport of Zaragoza, connected with several european cities with direct flights.

Alternatively, flying to Madrid or Barcelona is convenient, as Zaragoza is well-connected by buses and trains linking these major cities.

For trains and buses from Madrid or Barcelona check the <u>trainline</u> website

Some useful links to check your travel options:

- ROME2RIO: provides you with the itinerary from point A to point B, showing different means of transportation
- SKYSCANNER or GOOGLEFLIGHTS: to check flight options

Travel Budget

The travel budget for the round trip depends on the km distance from point A (where you begin your travel) to point B (Zaragoza, Aragón), calculated with the official EU distance calculator.

Please refer to the below chart:

Travel distance	Green Travel	Non-Green Travel	
10 - 99 km	56€	28€	
100 - 499 km	285€	211€	
500 - 1999 km	417€	309€	
2000 - 2999 km	535€	395€	
3000 - 3999 km	785€	580€	
4000 - 7999 km	1188€	1188€	
8000 km or more	1735€	1735€	

Those who are planning to arrive earlier or depart later are kindly requested to make their own accommodation arrangements for those extra days. For nongreen solutions you can add up to 2 extra days for traveling, while if you choose green travel options you can add up to 4 extra days.

If selected, you will be asked to send us your travel plan and wait for our approval before buying the tickets.

<u>It's mandatory to keep all the tickets, invoices and boarding passes in order to</u> receive the travel reimbursement.

The travel reimbursement will be processed after the end of the PBA, upon receiving all requested documents from participants. The reimbursement of the travel costs usually takes a minimum of 2 months.

What to bring?

- Reusable water bottle
- Personal hygiene products
- Your ID/Passport for traveling and check-in at the venue
- European Health Card or private health insurance

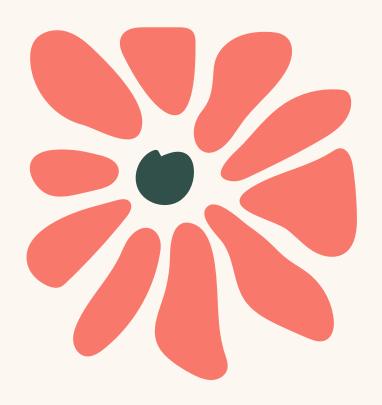
How to apply?

If you're interested in participating, we'd love to get to know you better! Please share a bit about yourself and your motivation for joining this project.

APPLICATION FORM

Make sure to double check the dates of the activity and apply only if you're able to attend to the whole duration of the PBA.





See you soon!

VALS contacts:

<u>Website</u> <u>Instagram</u>

If you have any questions or doubts, please don't hesitate to contact us at: **movilidad@viajealasostenibilidad.org**