







# Nature Knows No Boundaries. Volunteering in Europe's National Parks and Protected Areas

29 November – 2 December 2023

Poland, Warsaw

Would you like to attract more young people to join your activities and support those you are already working with?

Would you like to have full-time volunteers to help with your activities, individually or in groups, long-term or short-term?

Would you like to carry out activities supporting the local community? Would you like to build international connections?

What about having all this, funded by the EU?

Come and discover what the European Solidarity Corps (ESC) Programme can offer for national parks and natural protected areas in Europe!

The European Solidarity Corps Resource Centre, the German and Polish National Agencies of the Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps programmes invite you for the training course.

This training is for:

- Representatives and staff of National parks & protected areas
- Coordinators of volunteering activities in National parks & protected areas

Aims of the training:

CREATE a frame for sharing experience in the field of volunteering and local activities in National Parks and protected areas.

MOTIVATE and INSPIRE participating organisations to join the European Solidarity Corps.

EXPLORE existing volunteering projects implemented on a local/national level and the possibilities to transfer these to ESC projects and activities at an international level.

DEVELOP project ideas for cross-border volunteering and local solidarity activities.

SUPPORT networking between participating organisations and encourage them to establish transnational activities in the framework of the ESC programme.



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## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

#### DATES

## Online introductory session: 23 November 2023 – 10.00-11.30

Online pre-session - Intro to the seminar, group building and practicalities.

## Residential training: 29 November – 2 December 2023

This 2-day-long activity takes place on Thursday 30th November and Friday 1st December. Arrival day is Wednesday 29th November and departure day is Saturday 2nd December.

## WHERE

Poland, Konstancin Jeziorna, https://www.konstancinjeziorna.pl/en

Konstancin Jeziorna is situated closest to Warsaw, and it has become a favourite destination for Varsovians who wish to spend a day or just a few hours away from the bustle of the city. Konstancin-Jeziorna is also a rehabilitation centre and an elegant residential area. Nestled in a pine forest and filled with lots of lovely, old villas and small palaces, the town has a charming feel that is hard to resist.

## COSTS

Accommodation and food - The Polish NA covers the costs for accommodation and food.

Travel reimbursement - Please contact your NA or SALTO to know whether they would support your travel costs. If yes, after being selected, get in touch with your NA or SALTO again to learn more about the overall procedure to arrange the booking of your travel tickets and the reimbursement of your travel expenses.

#### APPLICATION

Application deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023 - Application form

To apply for training, you need to have an account on SALTO website, which you can easily open.

Date of selection: 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

#### ORGANISERS

The German National Agency of the Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps Programme

The Polish National Agency of the Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps Programme

European Solidarity Corps Resource Centre

This training is realised in the framework of the ESC RC long-term training project:

## "Solidarity\_Opening the door to new volunteering fields"

"Opening the door to new volunteering fields" aims to bring together experienced and new organisations who wish to become part of the ESC community and are interested in new fields of volunteering - ready to explore new volunteering areas and co-create relevant opportunities through an inspiring process.