ERASMUS+ PARTNER IDENTIFICATION FORM

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| **A. PARTNER ORGANISATION** | |
| PIC / OID | 899658414 / E10016655 |
| Full legal name (National Language) | Gönüllülük ve Dayanışma Derneği |
| Full legal name (English Language) | Volunteering and Solidarity Association |
| Acronym | NA |
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| Registration Date | 22/04/2019 |
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| **B. PROFILE** | |
| Type of Organization | NGO |
| Is the partner organization a public body? | not public body |
| Is the partner organization a non-profit? | non-profit |
| **C. ACCREDITATION** | |
| Has the organization received/applied for any EU grants? | NA |

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| **D. BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE** | |
| Please briefly present the partner organisations. | Volunteering and Solidarity Association is an educational, youth and sports association founded in Karabük. All the board members are young people under 30 years old. The members of the association are the local volunteers, the students of Karabük University and the individuals residing in neighboring cities. The average age of the members is 24 years. The association has 150 volunteers. The education level of the members is between the high school and master degree level. Most of the members are university students with fewer opportunities. Most of them have never had the opportunity to visit abroad because of economic obstacles. The association has partnerships with NGOs and private sector institutions working on education, disability, environmental issues, lifelong learning, and active citizenship at the local level. In addition, partnership with the ministry of interior Karabük representative (the public institution working for NGOs on behalf of the ministry) a partnership with the Municipality and the Governorship of Karabük. The founders of the association organize training activities for their members and the local people. In all of the training, the founders of the association take a role as trainers.  The mission of the association is providing opportunities to young people and youth workers in order to develop their social, cultural and professional competences by organizing cooperation and partnership activities at local, regional, national and international levels in the field of education and youth. The target group of the association includes individuals with educational, cultural, economic, social and geographical difficulties. The mentioned difficulties are defined as follows:   1. Educational difficulties: young people with learning difficulties, early school- leavers, lower qualified persons, young people with poor school performance etc. 2. Cultural differences: immigrants, refugees or descendants from immigrant or refugee families, young people belonging to a national or ethnic minority, young people with linguistic adaptation and cultural inclusion difficulties etc. 3. Economic obstacles: young people with a low standard of living, low income, dependence on social welfare system, young people in long-term unemployment or poverty, young people who are homeless, in debt or with financial problems etc. 4. Social obstacles: young people facing discrimination because of gender, age, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, disability, etc., young people with limited social skills or anti-social or high-risk behaviours, young people in a precarious situation, (ex-)offenders, (ex-)drug or alcohol abusers, young and/or single parents, orphans etc. 5. Geographical obstacles: young people from remote or rural areas, young people living on small islands or in peripheral regions, young people from urban problem zones, young people from less serviced areas (limited public transport, poor facilities) etc. 6. Disability (i.e. participants with special needs): young people with mental (intellectual, cognitive, learning), physical, sensory or other disabilities etc. 7. Health problems: young people with chronic health problems, severe illnesses or psychiatric conditions etc.   The association works under entrepreneurship, recognition of youth work, non-formal education, intercultural dialogue and intercultural education, active politic participation, youth unemployment and labor market competences (hard,soft and hybrid skills), active citizenship and activism, social citizenship, democracy, dialogue between youn people and poicy makers, human rights, diversities and social inclusion, gender equality, equal opportunities. The association is organizing or participating trainings about mentioned topics above at local and national level. In additionally, the association directs and helps them to participate its members to events implementing at international level. The board members of association have enough knowledge and experience to organize training about mentioned topics. They have been working individually more than 3 years on topics that mentioned above.  The vision of the Volunteering and Solidarity Association is to be a multicultural non-governmental organization that offers young people equal opportunities at international level and enables their active participation in political processes. |

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| What are the activities and experience of the organization in the areas relevant for this application? | As mentioned above, the board members of the association are under the 30 years old and they are actively working in the youth field. In the association training and organization entity organizes local, regional and national trainings. This entity includes the board members, members and volunteers. About 30 trainers are involved in organizing training and events related to the scope of the association's work. All trainers in this entity are working as volunteer. The main trainings organized trainers are:   1. EU opportunities and project writing training; 2. Project cycle management and logical framework analysis training; 3. Entrepreneurship and sustainable partnership training; 4. Non-formal education methods and training module preparation training; 5. Transnational democracies and active citizenship education; 6. Inclusion strategies training; 7. Civil society institutions and social citizenship education; 8. Erasmus Plus and European Solidarity Corps opportunities training; 9. Social media literacy and fighting with fake news training; 10. Policy-making processes at local, national and transnational level training; 11. Labour market competencies training (soft, hard and hybrid skills); 12. Rights-based approaches, gender equality and human rights training; 13. Activism and fight against discrimination training; 14. Interview techniques and CV preparation training;   The trainings mentioned above implemented at local level. Association makes annual plan for all trainings and they implementing in year. The plan is making with trainers.  In additionally the board members, members and volunteers participated events below:   1. “EU Projects and Opportunities Training”, Anadolu University Turkish Red Crescent Club Members, Eskisehir, 2016 2. Erasmus Plus Training Course, Mobility Taster for Inclusion Organisations, Denmark, 2016 3. Erasmus Plus Training Course, Minority Rights in Europe - Play and Change, Macedonia, 2016 4. Erasmus Plus Training Course, It's time to move! Transitioning From Youth Work To Social Entrepreneurship, Luxembourg, 2016 5. Erasmus Plus Training Course, The Power of Non Formal Education, Netherland, 2017 6. Erasmus Plus Training Course, Youth Actors in Decision Making, Latvia, 2017 7. Erasmus Plus Training Course, No Hate, Norway, 2017 8. Erasmus Plus Training Course, “Embracing Diversity”- Training course on diversity management, Norway, 2017 9. Erasmus Plus Training Course, Tuning In - to Learning and Youthpass, Italy, 2018 10. The online course, organized by Boğaziçi University/Non-Formal Education Academy/Youth Work Association, The Non-Formal Education Training for Trainers, 2017 11. Transnational Cooperation Project under Erasmus Plus (TCA), “EVS Go Political: exploring political dimensions of the EVS cycle”, Antalya, 2017 12. Erasmus Plus Youth Exchange Project, “We need water and Energy” Gaziantep,2017 13. International Symposium on Youth Employment Challenges-ISYEC, organized by Abdullah Gul University, Kayseri, 2018 14. Erasmus Plus Training Course, Game of Cultures: inclusion of young migrants and refugees, Portugal, 2018 15. Social Media Literacy Training, Tepebaşı 19 May Youth Centre, Eskisehir, 2018 16. Financial Literacy Training, Habitat Association, Ankara, 2018 17. Erasmus Plus Training Course, WeMen, France, 2018 18. “New Initiatives of EU: European Solidarity Corps Training” Karabuk University Civil Life Association Members, Karabuk, 2018 19. “Erasmus Plus - School Education, Higher Education and Youth Training” Toros University Education İnstitutions, Mersin, 2018 20. The Ministry of İnterior Call “Şehre Vefa”, Kırıkkale, 2018 21. Erasmus Plus Mobility of Youthworks Project, “Did You Notice Youthpass?” Gaziantep, 2019 |

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| What are the skills and expertise of key staff/persons involved in this application? | **Enes Bahadır BEKDAŞ:** He is the president of the association. He graduated from Anadolu University Primary School Teaching programme in 2016. He is studying in Gaziantep University NGOs in Education and Civil Life master programme. He started to work in the youth field as a volunteer while he was studying at the university. His first volunteering experience was short-term EVS. The project was held in Romania. It was related to down syndrome disability. After 3 years of volunteering, he worked as a mentor, contact person, and project manager with the NGOs implementing Erasmus Plus projects for 3 years. Meanwhile, he participated in national and international projects. Also, he organized trainings at the local level. He organized totally 35 trainings. The trainings are mentioned below:   1. Active Citizenship and Political Participation of Youth, 13 training, 250 participant; 2. Social inclusion Strategies and fighting against discrimination 18 training, 300 participant; 3. EU opportunities and PCM, 8 trainig, 200 participant; 4. Recognition of Youthwork and the Youthpass Certicficate, 3 training, 60 participant.   Approximately 800 young people has trained.  During the university education, he worked with Turkish Red Crescent in Eskişehir for 3 years. He has done the president of the Red Crescent Student Club for 2 years in university. During this period, he actively took part in the activities of Red Crescent. On behalf of the Club, he has organized various travel organizations, information training, and social activities. He organized theatre events in cooperation with Anadolu University Theatre Association in order to collect donations for children who has TB. They collected approximately 2000₺ for them.  He has worked as a project manager for the project implemented under the ministry of interior calls, in 2016.  Additionally, he is writing projects for Erasmus Plus Programme, European Solidarity Corps Programme, National Grant Calls and other calls. He wrote Erasmus Plus Training Course Project about recognition of youth works. The project was approved by the Turkish National Agency with 92 points out of 100. He also wrote a training project about the new initiatives of EU - the European Solidarity Corps. The aim of the project is examining the ESC under the Erasmus Plus Programme statistic and define possible deficiencies of the programme. Then made up the handbook for beneficiaries. The project got 88 points but it is not accepted. Moreover, he organized local trainings about the ESC programme. 100 participant participated the trainings. He is continue to work on the ESC programme.  He has a non-formal education trainer certificate. The programme was organized by Boğaziçi University, Non-Formal Academy and Youth Work Association in 2016. After he got the certificate, he started to organize trainings about Non-Formal education.  **Sinem KASIM:** She is the general secretary of the association. She is working as a contact person in national and international projects. She is responsible for establishing a new partnership for the association. Also, she is informing members when they are selected for the projects. She is facilitating their participation process. Her main tasks are increasing the visibility of the association, prepare or apply partnership calls at international level on behalf of the association.  Sinem is studying at Karabuk University-Industry Engineering Programme for 3 years. She has 3-year experiences in the field of civil society. She is experienced in organization and volunteer management. She participated EVS in Spain in 2018. Also, she has participated in 6 training courses about gender equality, human rights, and social citizenship. Trainings were implemented under the Erasmus Plus Programme as international mobility. After the courses, she organized 3 training for each topics. She trained more than 200 young.  In 2016, she became youth leader by participating in the ministry of youth and sport youth leadership training programme. She leaded trainings, travel, reading the book, planting a tree, etc. activities organized by the ministry. In this context, she organized 3 reading activity, 2 PCM training, 3 social media literacy and fighting against fake news training and 2 right based approaches and human rights training.  **Buğra Orkun KETEN:** He is vice president of the association. He carries out records of members, makes sponsorship agreement on behalf of the association and organizes donations. His main task is making a partnership or cooperation agreement with NGOs, special sector or public sector institutions at the local, regional and national level. He is responsible for logistic arrangements and the purchases in the context of events organizing by Volunteering and Solidarity Association.  He is 4th grade students at Karabuk University Computer Engineering Programme. He is working on Office Programmes and Java. Meantime, he is organizing training on behalf of the association about entrepreneurship and sustainable partnership. He organized 4 training about Office Programmes and 5 training about entrepreneurship. 130 participant got a certificate after trainings. He worked at the Board Members of Karabuk University Young Entrepreneurs Club for 2 years. His network expanded after his studies in the club. Thus, he invites successful businessman to his trainings.  **Kürşat GÜRKAN:** He is an accountant of the association. He is responsible for the follow-up and realization of the association expenses. Also, he manages social media accounts of the association. He shares the posts in order to disseminate events organized or participated by the association. Also, he is following open grant calls and informing board members every month. He organizes orientation trainings to the members of the association, who are selected as participants in international projects. He helps and supports selected participants in the context of preparation activities or project related activities. Moreover, he is responsible for the dissemination activities of participated projects. |

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