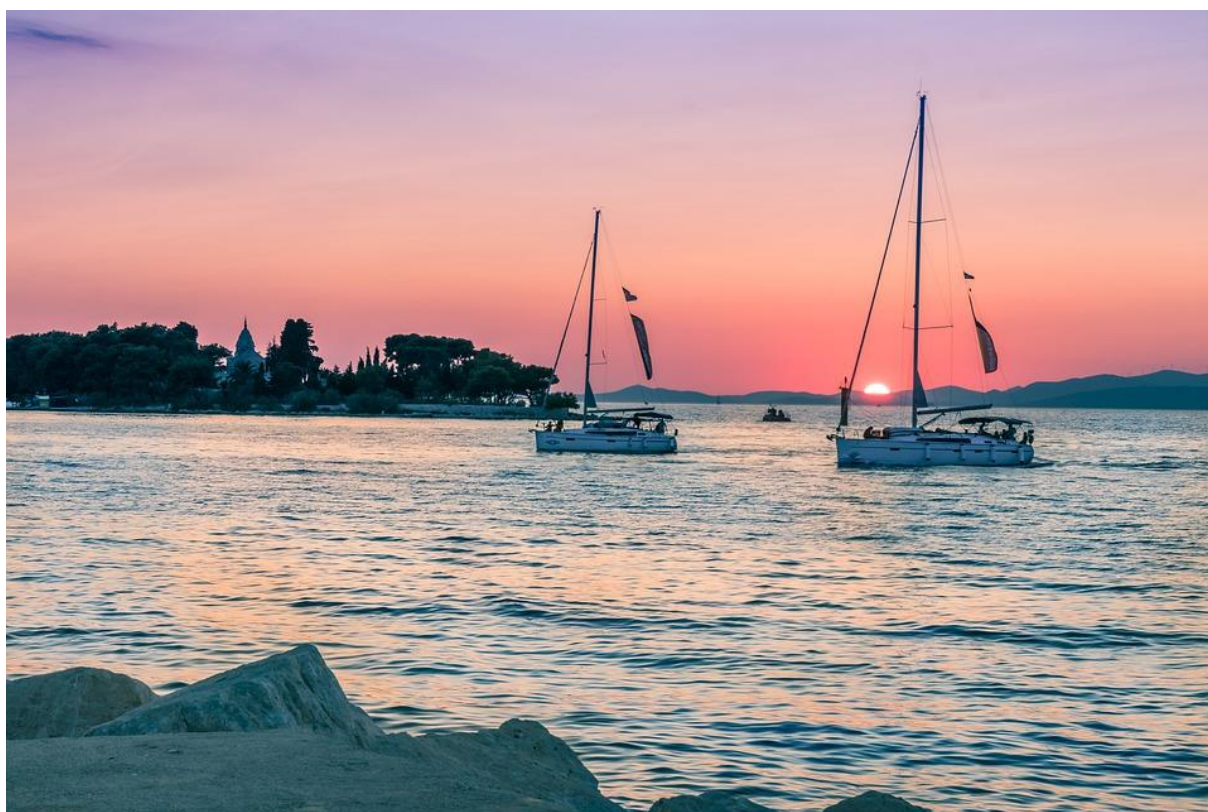


Call for Partners

Training Course: WAVES

Widening Access to Volunteering: Empowerment and Sailing

Duration	Location	Language	Number of participants
21 days (including arrival and departure) in September-October 2020	From Sète to Corsica, by boat	English	26 participants (between 2 and 4 per country)



Presentation:

Concordia contributes to the development of an **intercultural society**, based on the values of solidarity and collaboration. It aims to promote individual empowerment and critical thinking to enable the emergence of active and conscious citizens.

In partnership with a local organization called Cap Au Large, which has been working for more than 20 years in the access to persons with disabilities to the world of sailing, we are proposing you a 21 days European training.

For more than 20 years, the organization **Cap au Large** has developed sailings adapted to a public with reduced mobility and works for social inclusion in the world of sailing. The meeting with Concordia has opened up the possibility of exchanging with other youth and social workers on good practices implemented in each country in order to link sailing and social inclusion. The combined skills of the two associations led us to imagine an ambitious project linking the practice with the theory of **the use of a tool such as sailing in social projects and youth**. The choice of sailing, which is a specific environment, with a live together for 3 weeks will allow participants to get out of their comfort zone, get their limits and their place in a group, create a real coordination, mutual help and complementarity within a sailing team with very different profiles.

For Concordia and its international partners, this partnership makes it possible to implement in a very concrete situation the **inclusion of public with special needs, NEETS and JAMO on international projects**.

Project description:

The training will take place as part of a cruise around the Mediterranean with the **theme of sailing as a tool for emancipation and social cohesion**.

The training will take place over a period of 21 days

- 2 days arrival/departure
- 3 days ashore departure (preparation),
- 14 days cruise on the Mediterranean Sea (Calanques, Porquerolles, Corsica),
- 2 days ashore on arrival (evaluation and closure)

The 26 people will be divided on 3 boats that will sail in squadron with 1 skipper and 1 facilitator per boat.

Objectives

- Promote the **discovery of the tool of sailing and the positive impacts of restrictive environments on young people**, particularly for publics far away from mobility projects
- Implement concretely the **inclusion of NEETS, JAMO and reduced mobility publics** in international mobility projects
- Value **local initiatives** and stimulate the imagination of participants
- Open opportunities for future collaboration and **networks** via meetings with local organizations and time to reflect on joint projects
- Promote intercultural meetings between youth workers on their innovative practices in supporting young people and establish **innovative practices** in social support
- Raise awareness of the **environment, biodiversity and responsible behavior** during youth activities

Activities

The participants will be actors throughout the project and they will be asked an important personal investment. They will manage daily life on each sailboat (shopping, cooking, cleaning) and will be an integral part of the crew.

Navigation times will be organized by shift systems, requiring participants to accompany and learn from the skipper. During this time, the other participants will be able to write **a logbook** describing their experience and participate to **workshops about inclusion**.

During stopovers, **meetings with local organizations** using sailing or the marine environment as a tool for social cohesion are planned. Those organizations work with youth with less opportunities (mainly youngsters who just got out of prisons or drugs), NEETS or disabled people on boat project that can last from 2 weeks to one year. Participants will share with them their practices and tools..

They will also count the species met during the navigation times and collect plastic from the sea, in order to raise awareness about **environment**.

Evenings and stops will be devoted to workshops in plenary restitution reflections of the day, return on experience, analysis of practices, capitalization of the tools used, whether on boats or during the meeting with the associations, to help build an **ideal model of social cohesion through a tool such as sailing**.

Participants

We are looking for 26 youth workers. A special attention is focused on **the candidacies of persons with reduced physical mobility**.

Designed for and by disabled persons, one of the boats has specific features. Wheelchair traffic can be done on the deck and inside, a ramp for boarding. A lift lifts allow the transfer inside / outside, a joystick allows the most physically disabled people to direct the boat.

We will be very attentive to the recruitment of the participants, **the conditions of life on a boat in collective during three weeks being particular and demanding a great adaptation on the part of the participants**. They must be aware of the project they are committing themselves such as promiscuity, meteorological hazard, night navigation at the end of the sailing, 2 persons per bed, showers planned during stops in the ports (every 2 or 3 days)...

We will have a Skype interview before the final selection with each participant to fully detail his motivations, needs and explain the project.

Methodology:

The training will be based on methods and tools of popular education, which will allow the participants to be in position of actor and leader, to intervene and to bring their experience as much as to the facilitators in order to stimulate an atmosphere of knowledge sharing and mutual enrichment.

Eligible costs		Amount	Rule of allocation
Travel	Contribution to the travel costs of participants, from their place of origin to the venue of the activity and return. Including travel costs for a possible Advance Planning Visit	For travel distances between 10 and 99 km : up to 20 Euros per participant	Based on the travel distance per participant. Travel distances calculated using the distance calculator supported by the European Commission.
		For travel distances between 100 and 499 km : up to 180 Euros per participant	
		For travel distances between 500 and 1999 km : up to 275 Euros per participant	
		For travel distances between 2000 and 2999 km : up to 360 Euros per participant	
		For travel distances between 3000 and 3999 km : up to 530 Euros per participant	
		For travel distances between 4000 and 7999 km : up to 820 Euros per participant.	
		For travel distances of 8000 km or more : up to 1500 Euros per participant	

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