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# OPEN CALL FOR ESC VOLUNTEERS

TAKE YOUR CHANCE!

## Be a helper! Be a leader! Be a volunteer!

European Solidarity Corps (ESC) gives you a chance to get an experience of living abroad, working and gaining skills in the non-formal educational environment, implementing your ideas, learning new cultures and making your contribution to the local community!

We know we are not competitors to the big cities, full of students, events and nightlife. We perfectly know that living in a small city might be challenging and we know that working in the Hosting Organisation might be hard and demanding. But we also know that the project will give you time to reflect on many things in your life – think about yourself, your wishes, your values and the goals you want to achieve.

**Coordinating Organisation:** Akwedukt Association

**Where:** Kwidzyn, Poland

**When:** The timing of the project is flexible, can be adjusted for the volunteer's needs. Desirable project start date - **April - June 2021**, depending on the situation in Europe.

**Duration:** 6-7 months, till maximum 31.01.2022

**Topics:** Education/ Social work

**Deadline for applications:** **05.04.2021**



## PROJECT CONTEXT

**Location:** Kwidzyn

### General information

Kwidzyn is a capital of the powiat located in Pomeranian Voivodeship on the river Liwa. Even by the Polish standards Kwidzyn is considered as an old city, the one with an extensive history.

Kwidzyn is a town with about 40. 000 inhabitants, with several additional thousand residing in the surrounding rural areas, located 100 km from the Baltic Sea to the south.

Kwidzyn is located about 100 km from Gdańsk, Sopot and Gdynia as well, which are historical and cultural destinations in the Pomeranian region. There is a good bus connection between Kwidzyn and these cities. The development of the town is based on a strong industrial structure – production of paper and electronic industry.

We have a fairly well developed cultural infrastructure that includes scouting, ecological, cultural, musical organizations, theater, restaurants and so on. There is also a big sports center with a football pitch, basketball, tennis and mini golf courts.

The majority of Kwidzyniaczy are middle-class. There is no University in Kwidzyn, that is why you'll meet mostly youth till 19 years old and adults over 25 here. Projects' target groups are citizens of Kwidzyn, students, families with children and pensioners. Volunteers work in the organizations all around the city, yet our main office is located right in the Kwidzyn's center.

Volunteers get accommodation in the rented apartments, mainly 10 - 30 min walk from the office. All the amenities provided in the apartments: bedroom, fully equipped kitchen, bathroom and toilet.

## VOLUNTEERS MISSION

Our ESC projects allow youngsters to experience living abroad whilst learning and contributing to a local community, with support from the European Solidarity Corps fund. This is a great opportunity to join meaningful work and learning while your food, accommodation, travelling, pocket money, insurance and mentorship are covered.

**The main volunteers' missions are:**

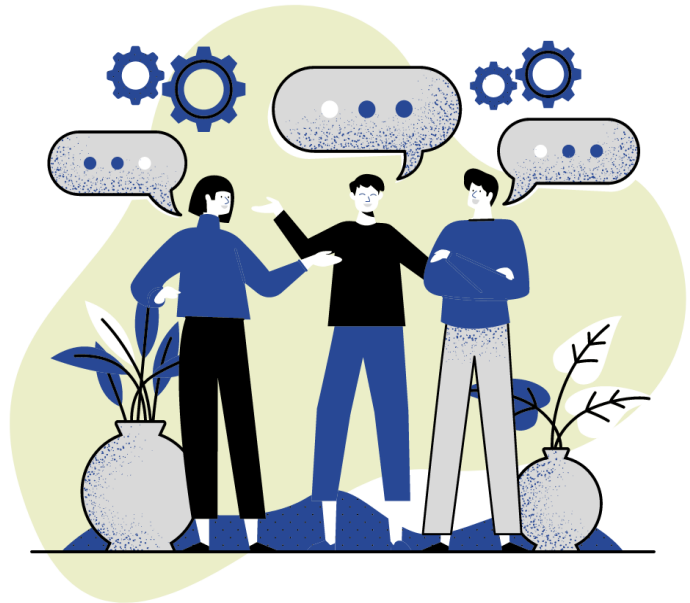
1. Maintaining educational and pedagogical activities, promoting non-formal education methods
2. Sharing the European cultural openness' aspects and various forms of cultural education

Check out our video!

[Akwedukt EVS 2017 - YouTube](#)

# VOLUNTEER'S PROFILE

- 18 - 30 years old
- Willing to work and gain knowledge in non - formal environment
- Stand ready to work within a small community
- Creative, independent, responsible, proactive and self-motivated person



A volunteer will work full time with the team of the Hosting Organization from Monday to Friday, on a minimum 35-hour week basis, and this also means being ready to work also in the evenings and sometimes weekends – depending on the event. Volunteers might be asked to take part in evening gatherings with the students and locals. From time to time, a volunteer gets the opportunity to work in associated schools, kindergartens and local institutions with the other ESC volunteers in order to create the joint projects and events.

We are looking for motivated candidates with a proactive, creative, problem-solving and initiative - taking attitude, well-developed organizational skills and at least basic knowledge of English. The one who really enjoys public speaking and not scared of daily routine, motivated to organize different activities that strengthen the integration between polish and international students, kids, youngsters.

Volunteer work mostly includes encouraging young people to get involved in civic life as well as to develop their personality and European identity.

**Check out  
our website!**



Download application form: <https://gps.ru/ET9z8>

**Check out  
another video!**



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# HOSTING ORGANISATIONS

1. Multicentrum
2. Integration kindergarten

## Multicentrum – 1 spot

The concept of Multicentrum is to familiarize children, teenagers and adults with the world of technology. It is an interactive learning center that enriches knowledge and offers a wide range of activities and experiences on a wide range of topics, combined with advanced and cutting-edge information technology.

Multicentrum's activities help children and teenagers learn about new technologies that definitely might be useful in the future. Its purpose is to enrich the knowledge gained in schools and to develop intelligence and creativity.

Multicentrum offers a variety of interactive learning environments, covering a wide range of topics such as: science and technology, graphic design, digital music, robotics, computer technology and so on.

*Volunteer work includes organizing activities within the 'MultiRobotyka' learning module.*

'MultiRobotyka' is a training system for children in the field of technical sciences and the basics of robotics, which combines the processes of solving problems, building mechanical models and controlling these models using appropriate programming software.

*Thus volunteer work in Multicentrum basically includes learning how all the different k-nex and lego-robots work and how to build and program them; showing everything to the kids and playing with them.*

*We're looking for someone willing-to-learn, open to explore more and more in the technologies field!*

**Find out more about Multicentrum:**



[multicentrumkwidzyn.pl](http://multicentrumkwidzyn.pl)

## Integration Kindergarten - 1 spot

Kindergarten conducts pre-school education for 3- to 6-year-old children.

Integration kindergarten is functioning as a caring, educational and instructive centre. This is the place where healthy and disabled kids have fun together. It provides every child with the opportunity to have fun and learn in a safe, friendly environment where everything is tailor-made for their needs and development. It shapes the emotional resilience in children with different physical and intellectual capabilities. Activities in the kindergarten help to build children's knowledge about the social world.

### TASKS FOR VOLUNTEERS:

1. Playing games, organizing activities (including sport ones) for children
2. Conducting English classes
3. Assisting in working with children with disabilities
4. Organizing contests and competitions
5. Help in serving lunch, going for a walk with the kids
6. Decorating the school for the events
7. Raising awareness among the children about cultural aspects (traditions, languages) of other countries, etc.

*We're looking for someone really happy about working with all the kids, interested in involving children into the socialization process!*

**Find out more about Integration Kindergarten:** [przedszkole-integracyjne-kwidzyn.pl](http://przedszkole-integracyjne-kwidzyn.pl)



## INFO ABOUT THE COORDINATING ORGANISATION

Akwedukt Association is an NGO founded by local activists, who want to develop their city, and at the same time help others. AKWEDUKT is an idea to create an organization that focuses on local development, activation of the inhabitants of Kwidzyn, young people, volunteering and promoting cultural diversity. From 2015 we coordinated work of more than 100 hosted volunteers. We are coordinating work of 8 hosting organisations, coordinators, mentors and more!



## Who is involved?

- Our Akwedukt Team
- More than 15 Volunteers
- 8 hosting organizations
- Mentors
- Local community  
and much more...



### Step 1

READ THE  
INFOPACK



### Step 2

FILL THE APPLICATION  
FORM AND ATTACH  
YOUR CV



### Step 3

GET READY FOR THE  
INTERVIEW



### Step 4

WAIT FOR THE  
FINAL DECISION

## HOW TO APPLY?

Please send your CV and the  
application form to our e-mail:  
[biuro@akwedukt.org.pl](mailto:biuro@akwedukt.org.pl)

## INTERVIEW?

- What could be your contribution to  
the local community?
- What would you pack to bring with  
you to live here for a year?
- Are you ready to join us?

Please send all the required documents:

- CV
- Application Form - [HERE](#)

until the **April 5, 2021** to [biuro@akwedukt.org.pl](mailto:biuro@akwedukt.org.pl)

If you do not have a supporting organisation yet, please indicate this in email!

**Please make sure you're applying before the deadline.** We made the application form to get to know prospective volunteers a bit better. Please take time to answer the questions carefully.



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