

Code Mission: CONC-SC-SN-13-003

# Promote and participate in CONCORDIA's volunteer activities in Paris (FRANCE)

Engagement de Service Civique 9 months

## **Civil Service: what is it?**

A voluntary process specifically designed for young people between the ages of 18 and 25.

- ✓ A time dedicated to others for a period ranging from 6 to 12 months.
- ✓ Missions of public interest recognized by the French government as priority.
- ✓ A financial compensation for Civil service volunteers financed by the government.
- ✓ A full social welfare coverage financed by the French government.
- ✓ Missions will take place in non-profit organizations or in public structures in France or abroad.

To know more about the Civil Service, please visit: <a href="http://service-civique.gouv.fr">http://service-civique.gouv.fr</a>

#### **Presentation of Concordia**

Concordia is a French national non-governmental and no-profit making organization, founded in 1950 by English, German and French youngsters. Their aim was to enhance the values of tolerance and peace after the 2<sup>nd</sup> world war by organizing international workcamps of young volunteers.

The Paris head office supports the eight regional offices activities in the Alps, Auvergne, Aquitaine, Bretagne, Normandy, Picardy, South-Southwest and Ile-de-France acting in the voluntary sector and particularly in the work camps for volunteers as well as in international youth exchanges.

Each year, Concordia is organizing hundreds of international volunteering workcamps throughout France. These projects last 2-3 weeks and include dozens of volunteers from around the world to participate in a project of general interest: restoration of local heritage or historical monuments, cleaning and development of natural areas, socio-cultural animation in urban areas.

The international projects are designed to promote intergenerational exchange and international meetings, in a spirit of peace, friendship and mutual understanding.

Concordia has the approval of the French Ministry of Youth and Sport and the Ministry of the Environment.

#### **Project**

The National Office coordinates activities, the sending and the reception of the volunteers and brings administrative support to the eight regional delegations located in the Alps, Auvergne, Aquitaine, Brittany, Normandy, Picardy, South-Southwest, and Ile-de-France. Volunteering is a perfect mean for personal and professional development. Therefore we consider being important the needs of the association, but in our point of view the project should come across personality, desires and skills of the volunteer. The outline of the project is here, but we will develop and adapt together with the volunteer.

### **Missions**

Support the activities of Concordia National Office; in particular the volunteer will have the following tasks:

- ✓ Participate in the organisation and in the promotion of our workcamps' season 2013 (February July 2013)
- ✓ Update, develop and disseminate educational tools to raise awareness about environmental issues (March-June 2013)
- ✓ Support our international campaigns (May-September 2013)
- ✓ Lead an international workcamp (June-August 2013)
- √ Take part in redacting documents and reports about the workcamps' season 2012 (September November 2013)
- ✓ Participate to the promotion of Concordia's activities (February- November 2013)

# **Profile**

Young people aged between 18 and 25.

Dynamic, mature, open-minded, with good interpersonal skills and a high sense of responsibility.

The recruitment will not be based on a particular skill, but knowledge in socio-cultural activities and a basic knowledge of French will be highly appreciated.

### **Conditions**

- Duration: 9 months starting from February 2013.
- Place: Concordia National Office, 64 rue Pouchet, Paris 75017.
- Accommodation in a shared apartment and a monthly allowance of 467€.
- Social welfare coverage. The volunteer **MUST** be also covered by travel insurance.
- Working hours: 35 hours per week. Taking part in activities over the weekend is sometimes required.
- Mentorship: The volunteer will be supported all along the project by a mentor who will provide a regular follow-up and an evaluation of her/his activities.

## To apply

Download the application form: <a href="www.concordia.fr">www.concordia.fr</a> or with this url adress: <a href="http://www.concordia-association.org/pdf/SC">http://www.concordia-association.org/pdf/SC</a> ALL Dossier candidature.doc

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