

# *Volunteer*

→ *Info-pack*



CCC - Creativity, Climate, Culture

Name of the project: CCC - creativity, climate, culture

Activity type: Individual Volunteering

Places: 2 Long-term volunteers

Hosting association: Association "Prospero"

Mobility period: 10 months

Location: Gračac, Zadar County, Croatia

Conditions: Young people aged between 18 and 30, with strong motivation, a desire to experience and explore new things, and a curiosity about the world and different cultures.



# Main information





# About us

Welcome to Prospero Association!

Founded on August 21, 2003, Prospero is a non-governmental, non-profit organization that emerged in response to high unemployment rates and social challenges. We're an independent, volunteer-based organization with a passion for equality, solidarity, and humanity. Our approach is rooted in democratic principles, transparency, and the freedom for everyone to participate in public life.

**Our mission? Empowering women and promoting active engagement for the benefit of families and communities. Through our association, we raise awareness among the public and institutions about women's rights, advocating for their employment and economic empowerment through education and retraining. We also support the dignity and rights of impoverished and socially excluded groups.**



What are we aiming for? Here are our key goals:

- **\*Empowerment\***: We're here to help women take control of their lives and encourage self-employment as a path to independence.
- **\*Advancement\***: By offering counseling and education, we work to elevate the position of women and build a stronger civil society.
- **\*Equality\***: We promote gender equality, enhancing the psychosocial and economic status of women and youth from diverse ethnic and social backgrounds through engaging projects.
- **\*Sustainability\***: Our work also focuses on sustainable development, social cohesion, and eco-social progress for the community.

**Slavica Miličić** – President of the "Prospero" Association, a dedicated advocate for diversity tolerance and human rights protection. She supports and encourages employee volunteerism and motivates individuals to reach and realize their full potential. She oversees the integration of all processes within projects, defining, planning, and managing every aspect—time, people, finances, and resources.

→ **“Join us on our journey as we make strides toward a more inclusive, empowered, and vibrant society!”**



# About Gračac

Gračac, located in the heart of Croatia, is the largest municipality in the country, with around 3,000 residents. It's just a half-hour drive from the nearest beach, making it a perfect starting point for coastal getaways. Situated north of the impressive Velebit Mountain, which separates it from Dalmatia, Gračac offers stunning landscapes and opportunities for outdoor adventures.

Nearby are the famous Cerovac Caves, one of Croatia's most renowned cave systems, perfect for exploring underground wonders. The municipality is rich in natural beauty, with expansive meadows, pastures, dramatic rock formations, and small rivers and streams. All of this contributes to a sense of peace and safety, making Gračac a unique destination.









# Volunteer (available) activities

Volunteers will have the opportunity to learn Croatian at their own pace, enhance their English skills, and develop teamwork, organizational, and creative abilities. We also provide a chance to build digital skills, such as using new software, exploring web design, and more, all tailored to their interests.

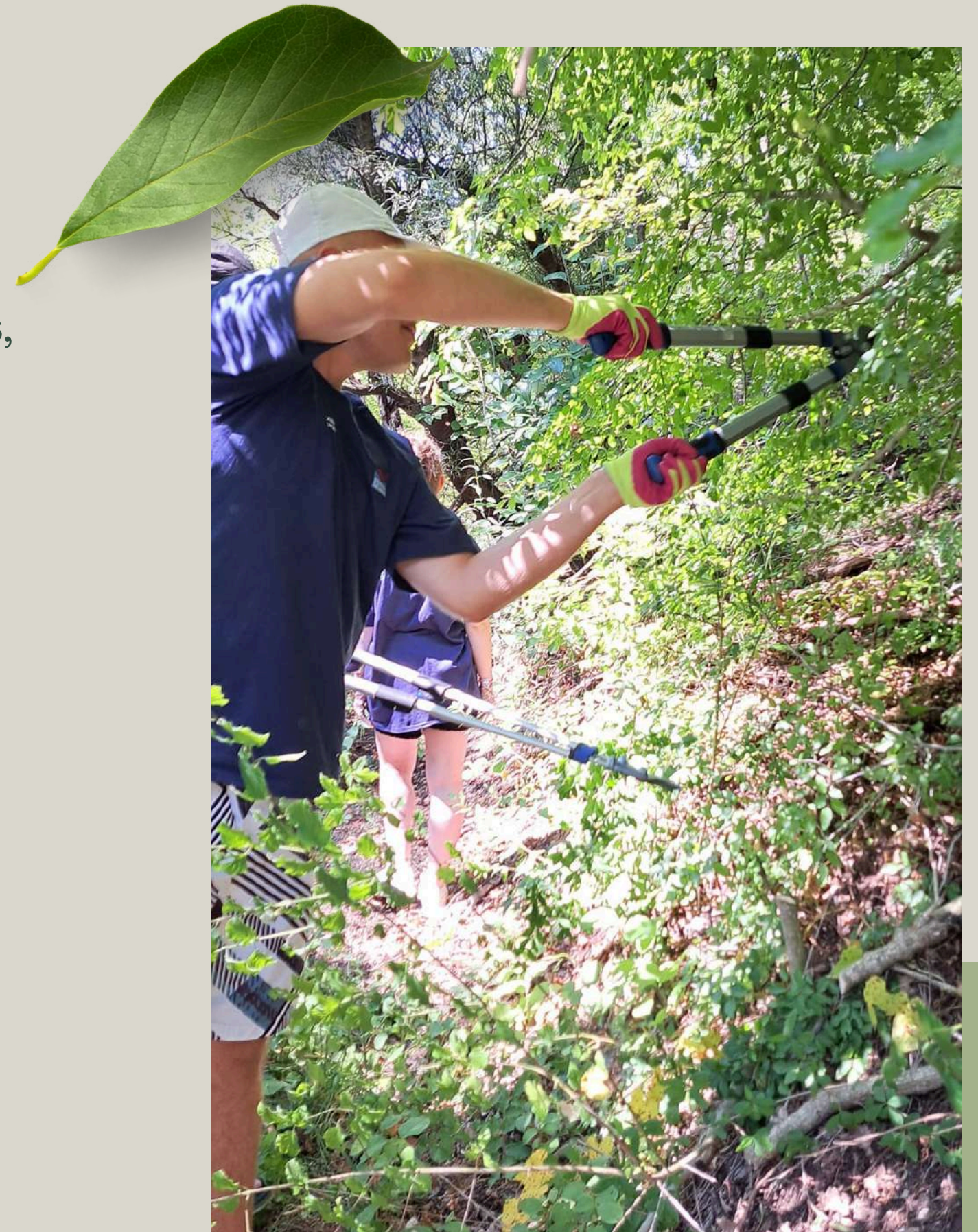
Volunteers will gain hands-on experience in project development, including writing, applying, and implementing projects, while also gaining insights into Croatia's non-profit sector.

They'll also have the option to work with elderly and vulnerable individuals, brightening their days by organizing fun or educational workshops and gatherings. Additionally, volunteers can engage with younger people, helping to break up their routines with new activities and experiences. This is an opportunity to make a meaningful impact across diverse groups.



## The activities that volunteers will engage in include:

- \* supporting the planning and execution of diverse workshops and seminars aimed at promoting environmental awareness, sustainable community development, and fostering solidarity among citizens;
- \* independently organizing and leading workshops to inspire value shifts, encourage environmentally-friendly behaviors, promote volunteerism, teach foreign languages, and more;
- \* pursuing personal projects that align with their interests and goals;
- \* helping to coordinate and participate in various environmental cleanup efforts;
- \* assisting in organizing local community events focused on environmental awareness and volunteer initiatives;
- \* contributing to the drafting, submission, and management of small-scale local or national project proposals in the areas of sustainable development;
- \* carrying out activities at the association's Eco-toy library;
- \* supporting administrative tasks and helping to manage the association's social media presence, as well as taking charge of independent social media projects.



# Accommodation

Our organization provides accommodation for all volunteers, located just a short 3-minute walk from our office. While the space is currently being renovated and is in its final stages, we will share photos with those who submit their application.

The accommodation is in the center of Gračac and comes fully equipped with everything you'll need. It includes a kitchen with a dishwasher, a bathroom with a shower and two bedrooms. Each volunteer will have their own private room for comfort and privacy. The space is also heated by a wood stove, with firewood already prepared and stacked right outside the accommodation.

We look forward to welcoming you to Gračac and ensuring a comfortable and pleasant stay during your time with us.

# Support details

- **Technical support** - Supervision + Weekly meeting in the hosting organization + non-formal education
- **Financial support** - Pocket money (10 € per day) + Food support; For the volunteers to feel more independent a bank account will be created after their arrival.
- **Language support** - EU Academy- online linguistic support to learn Croatian
- General learning support- 5 different modules (for volunteers before, during, and after activities, etc.), educational materials, descriptions of activities, and a manual for their implementation.
- **European volunteer card** - Powered by EYCA and the European Commission, the European Volunteer Card gives young people
  - in European Solidarity Corps (ESC)--funded programmes, access to thousands of discounts and opportunities available in 35+ countries in the youth card network.
- **Mentoring** – Mandatory mentoring session every week, support in learning process, integration into the local community;
- **Insurance:** Volunteers will be registered with **Henner** Insurance before coming to Croatia. Henner assistance insurance works all the ESC period 24h a day in all the world, starting from the day when the volunteer goes to his project place and 2 more month after the end of the project.
- **Transportation** - covered by hosting organisation,
- **Free days** - 2 days per month during the mobility.
- **Working hours** - 6 hours per day, max 30 hours per week.
- **Other** - visa costs are covered, support in the organization of the trip, etc.

# Important documents

When you arrive here it is important to know that you should bring with you your **Identity Card/Passport** and your **European health Insurance Card**. Volunteers will receive a residence card upon arrival and have it for the duration of the mobility.



At the end of the European Solidarity Corps volunteering projects, the volunteers will receive the Youthpass certificate. Youthpass is a European recognition tool for non-formal and informal learning in youth work. With Youthpass, participants of European Solidarity Corps and Erasmus + projects can describe what they have done and show what they have learnt.

Non formal education is the process of learning with organised educational activity outside of the established formal system. Informal education is the process of living experiences and learning from them.

**All Youthpass certificates contain the following information:**

- Personal details about the participant
- General description of the relevant Action of the Programme
- Key information concerning the project and the activities realized by the participant
- Description and assessment of the participant's learning outcome during the project.

# Youthpass



# Application steps

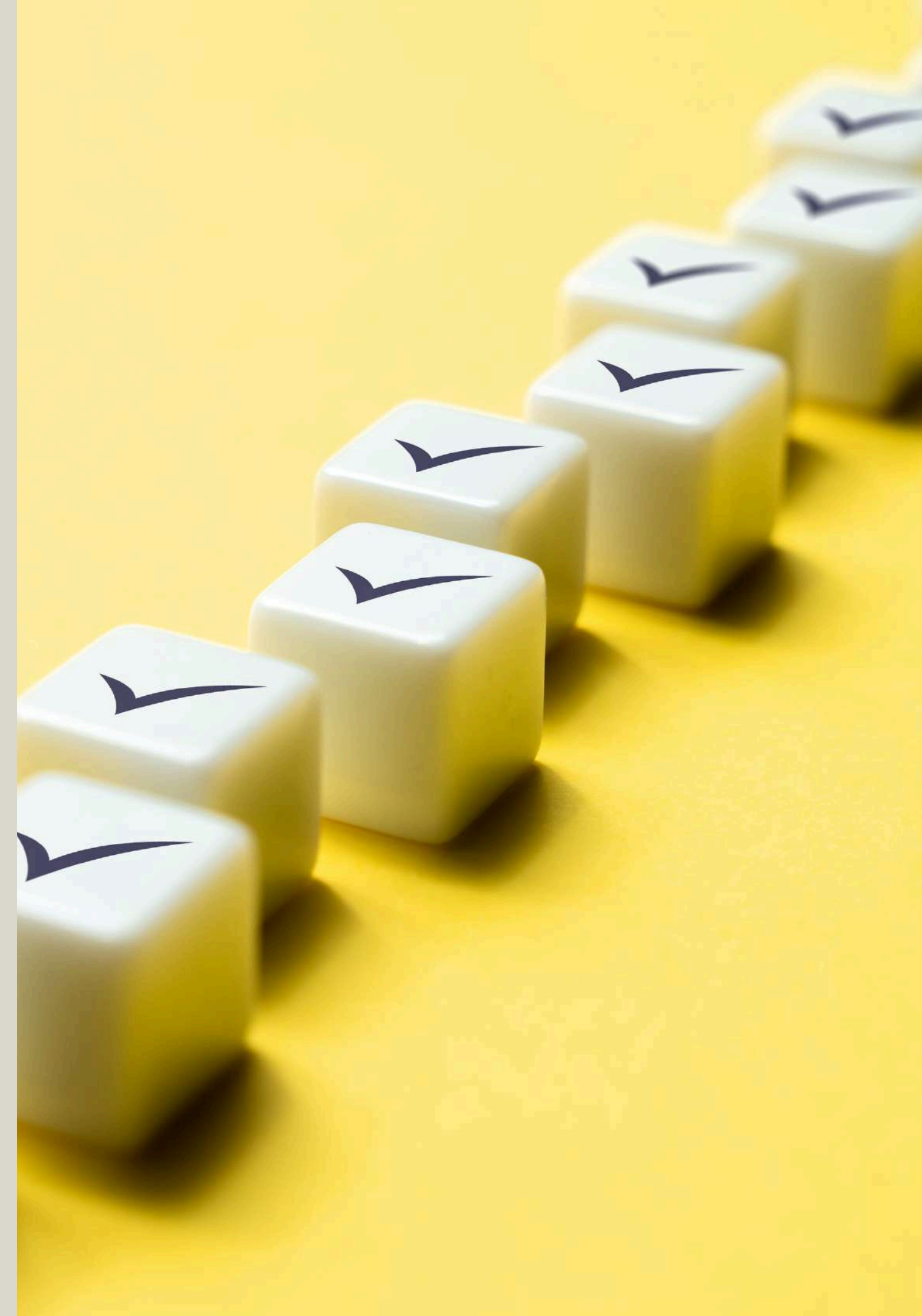
## **\*Registration on the European Solidarity Corps Portal\***

When you first register, you'll need to create an account using EU Login, which is the European Commission's authentication service, before setting up your profile. Once your profile is complete, you'll gain access to your personal dashboard. From there, you can apply for available opportunities, participate in online training, enter contests, view your certificates, and much more.

In the application form, please include your CV and a motivational letter. After we receive your application, we will create a shortlist and reach out to all candidates for a brief interview. If selected, your journey will begin shortly thereafter.

Chosen applicants will need to sign a Voluntary Agreement Agreement to starting their mobility.

Congratulations on becoming a volunteer with the Ecological Association "Prospero in Croatia! Your volunteer journey starts now... and make sure to leave your mark!



# Travel costs



Each volunteer's travel expenses will be reimbursed, allowing you to select your preferred mode of transportation and purchase your ticket. Travel costs are calculated according to the European Commission's distance calculator, and the hosting organization will handle the reimbursement process for your tickets.

**IMPORTANT:** To ensure you receive your reimbursement, please keep all tickets, reservations, and confirmation documents.



*We are looking forward to  
your application!*

