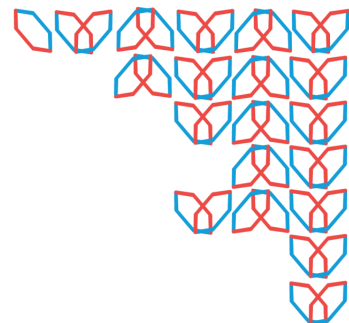
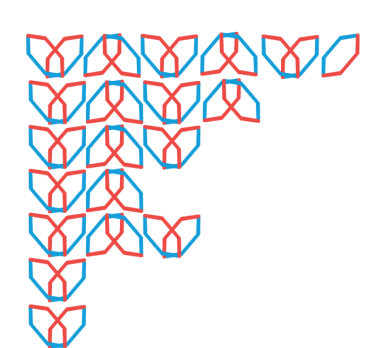




European Solidarity Corps Project

Volunteering and solidarity, beyond the emergency

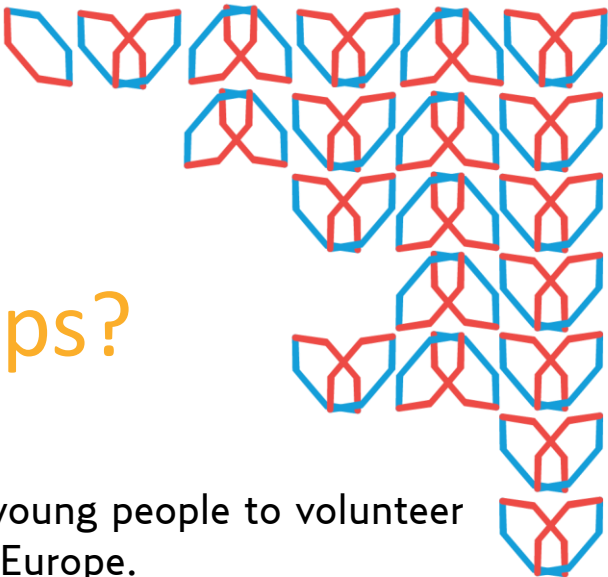
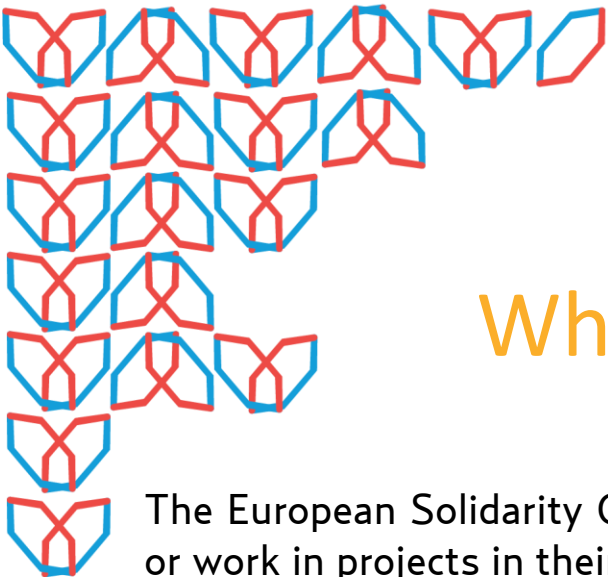
Milan (Italy) – February/March 2021, 11 months



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What is the European Solidarity Corps?

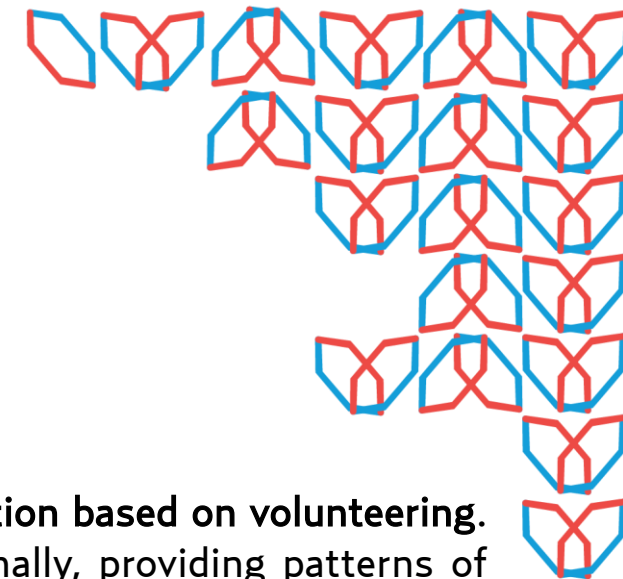
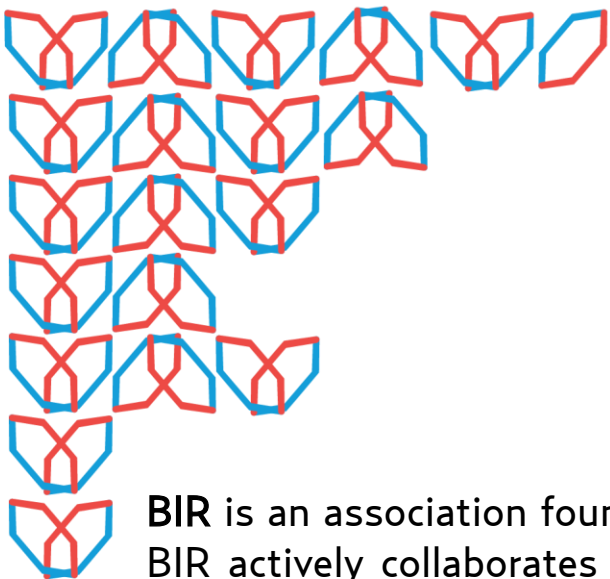
The European Solidarity Corps is a European Union initiative which creates opportunities for young people to volunteer or work in projects in their own country or abroad that benefit communities and people around Europe.

- **Who can participate?** Young people from 18 up to 30 years old (you can already register when you are 17 years old)
- **In what kind of activities?** a wide range of projects, such as helping to prevent natural disasters or rebuild afterwards, assisting in centres for asylum seekers, or addressing different social issues in communities
- **How long is a project?** From 2 up to 12 months
- **What costs are covered?** Travel, insurance, accommodation, food money and pocket money for your needs

Interested?

Read more in this infopack and learn how to participate

Or visit https://europa.eu/youth/solidarity/placement/25643_en



Who are we?

BIR is an association founded in 1999 in Milan by Don Gino Rigoldi as a **non-profit organization based on volunteering**. BIR actively collaborates with people, organizations and institutions, locally and internationally, providing patterns of change inspired by the logic of participation and sustainability.

Our mission is:

- On one side the **protection and promotion of children's rights** in Romania, Moldova and Italy, with particular attention toward the minorities who live in fragile conditions related to the abandonment, abused and to social marginality.
- On the other side the **promotion of the active citizenship**, especially among young people, within local and European communities, which suggests training and activation.



Active in Italy, Romania and Republic of Moldova



More than 1500 children reached through our projects last year



120 permanent volunteers and more than 200 young persons involved in our projects

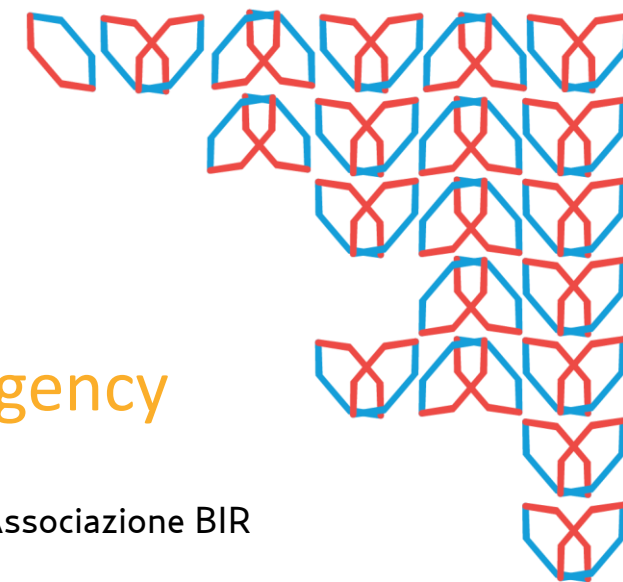
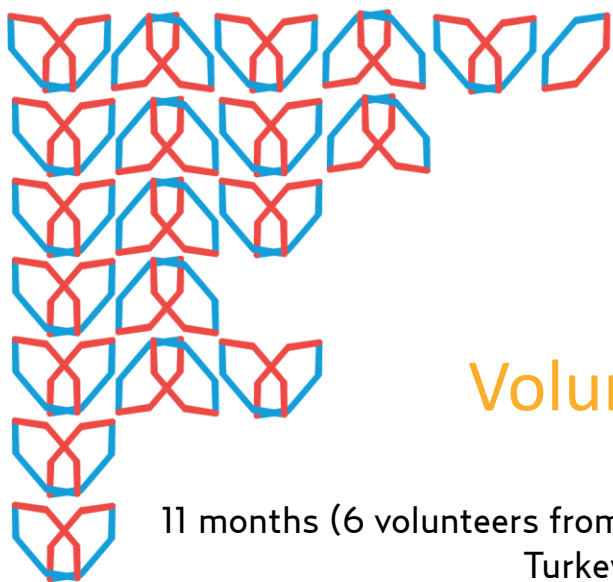
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The project:

Volunteering and solidarity, beyond the emergency

When?

11 months (6 volunteers from Poland, Moldova, Georgia, Romania, Turkey and Bulgaria)

Where?

Milan in Italy, hosted by Associazione BIR

Who?

Six participants from six different european countries (Bulgaria, Georgia, Poland, Moldova, Romania and Turkey)

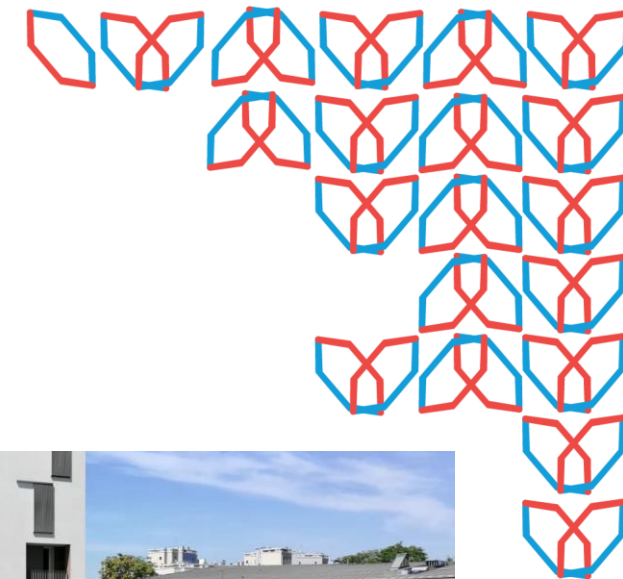
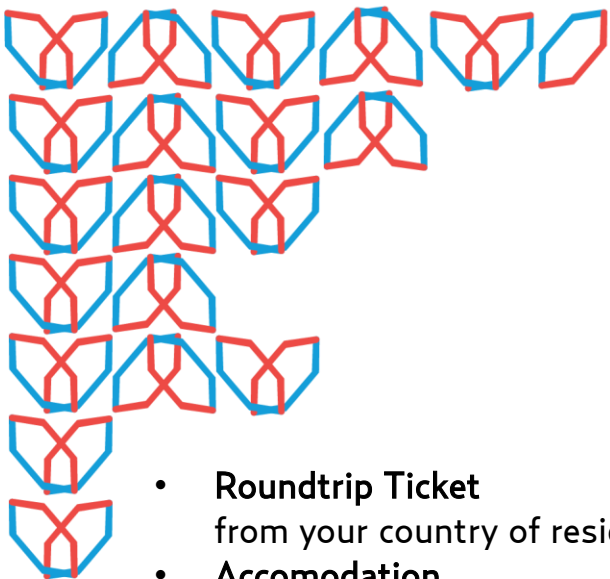
Doing what?

The participant will activite for 30 hours per week. Especially in the Segretariato Sociale in Giambellino district in Milan helping in: food bank, food waste recovery and distribution, inclusion of youths and families in the community and other social activities.

The participant will also participate in BIR's activities such as: trainings, backoffice, event organization, summer camps, trekking, activities in juvenile jail and other activities for children and youth in need.

How?

BIR will guide the participants to include them in the project and the organization. The participants will start with a language course and specific training, then they will be included in the project activities. Every participant will follow his/her specific path based on his/her personal and professional goals. Every participant will activate in a young and multicultural environment together with other participants and BIR volunteers.



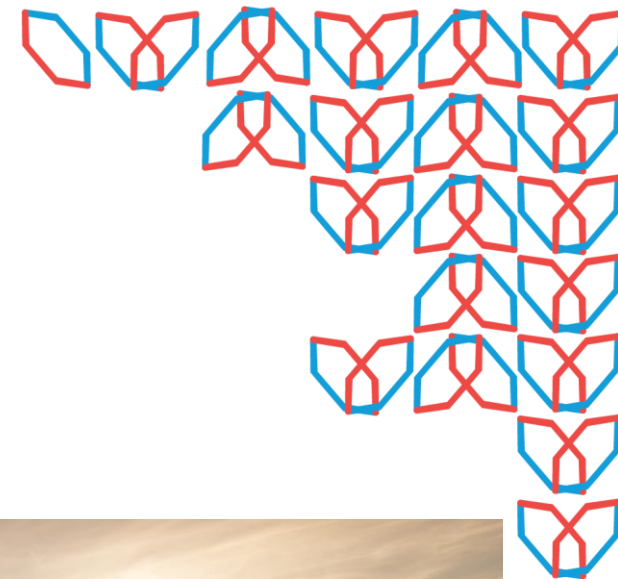
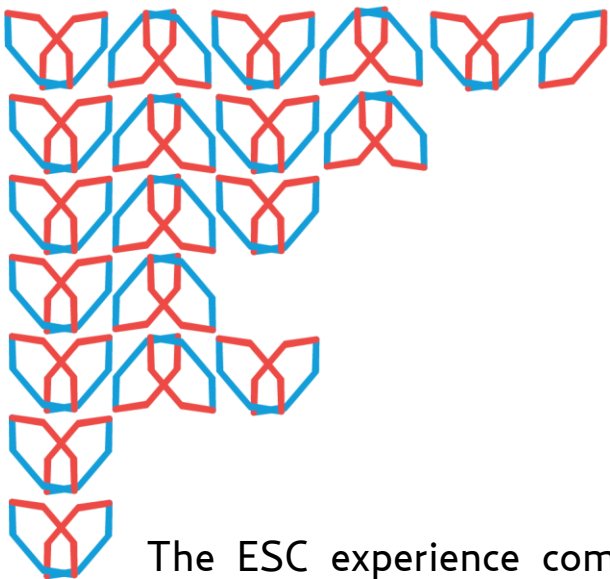
Practical Information

Participating in this project you will receive:

- **Roundtrip Ticket**
from your country of residence to Milan
- **Accommodation**
in a shared apartment with the other participants
- **Food Money**
which need to be proved by bills
- **Pocket Money**
which are used freely by the participant



- **Health Insurance**
provided by the ESC program
- **Annual subscription to public transport**
Only valid in Milan
- **Italian Language Course**
online through the E+ platform and IRL with a teacher
- **Mentor and Tutor**
to provide support for the participant and help him/her to easily adapt into his/her new environment



Life in Milan and Italy

The ESC experience comes altogether with a new and exciting life in Milan, Italy's most multicultural and diverse city, both capital of fashion and business.

You will be able to explore the city and get to know its art, culture, social life and, of course, Italian's delicious cuisine.

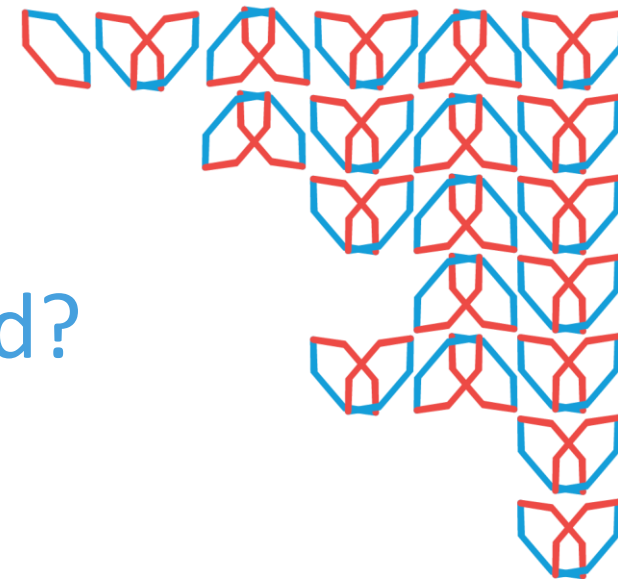
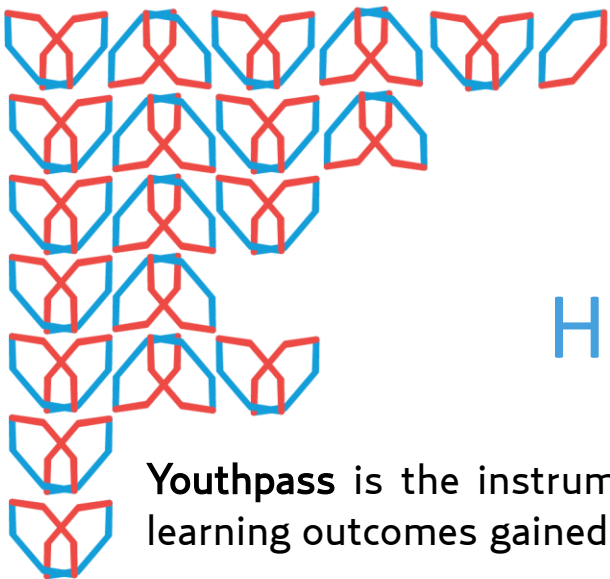
Also, Milan is well connected to the rest of the Italy through flights, trains, busses, etc. and you will have the possibility to travel and discover the rest of the country.



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How will my project be recognized?

Youthpass is the instrument to recognise non-formal and informal learning outcomes gained through Volunteering Project.

The Youthpass Certificate confirms and recognises that the volunteer has carried out a service as a volunteer abroad. It also acknowledges that the volunteer has learned and developed during the voluntary service.

Moreover, volunteers will receive **four training courses** (pre-departure, on-arrival, mid-term evaluation and final evaluation) during their voluntary period. These training courses are in place to prepare, support, and evaluate the volunteering experience.

More details about Youthpass here: <https://www.youthpass.eu/en/>

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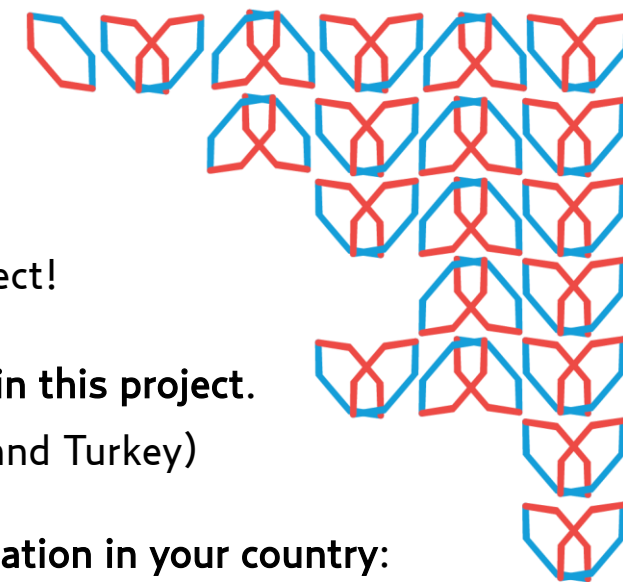
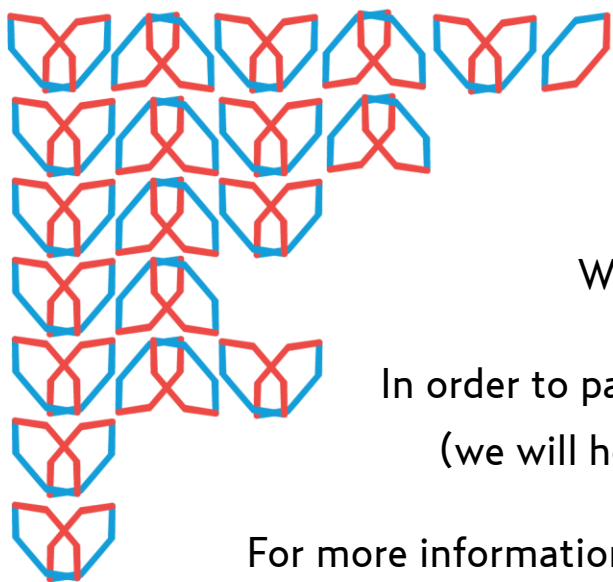
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Want to participate?

We would be very happy to get to know you and host you for this project!

In order to participate **you must be resident in one of the countries participating in this project.**

(we will host participants from Bulgaria, Moldova, Poland, Georgia, Romania and Turkey)

For more information or if you already decided to participate **contact the sending organization in your country:**

Poland – Bona Fides (www.bonafides.pl - mariachiara@bonafides.pl and iryna@bonafides.pl - +48 322031218)

Bulgaria – Bulgarian Youth Forum

Moldova – MS Diaconia

Georgia – Georgian Youth for Europe

Romania – Asociatia Carusel

Turkey – not confirmed

If you are interested in the ESC program learn more at https://europa.eu/youth/solidarity/placement/25643_en

Before applying to any project be sure to read and agree with the [Mission and Principles](#) of the program and to register on the ESC Portal