



**Infopack**  
**ESC project**  
**in Moncalieri, Italy**



**Hosting Organization: Diramarsi**  
**When: May 2019 for 6 months**  
**Who: 2 Volunteers**  
**Where: Moncalieri (Torino), Italy**

## Who we are and what we do

Diramarsi Association is a new cultural association of volunteers settled in Moncalieri near to Torino.

And born in 2017 in order to promote awareness of culture and sustainability in all its aspects.

Environmental social and economic with the desire to rediscover balance serenity and general well being thanks to a closer connection between nature and people.

The goal is to create a dynamic participatory and accessible environment where each member can contribute thus creating a



multidisciplinary information and experimentation network. Through the Organisation of events exhibitions workshops conferences and debates we want to deepen promote and above all direct a series of themes.

Our goal consists also in stimulating the personal growth of youngsters and people with fewer opportunities by raising their sense of citizenship an active participation inside society and a real awareness about their role as European citizens.

The volunteers who decided to create it did it with

The perspective to have new opportunities to develop their own ideas and projects.

### The main activities are:

- Environment and sustainability (5-10 hours per week):

Aid in agricultural activities: cultivation of vegetables and fruits, look after animals (goats, chickens, fish) aquaponic agriculture, craft beer production, landscape maintenance (gardening, pruning, etc.).

Volunteers will learn to apply biodynamic methods and principles of permaculture. They will be directly involved in the activities, but always supported by an expert operator. Activities will take place throughout the year, depending on seasonality.

- Organization of events (15-20 hours per week):

Crafts, such as woodworking, ceramics, sewing and drawing.

Events and parties for promotional purposes of the cultural association.

Culture of food

Wellness

workshops on sustainability and ecobuilding: volunteers will help to organize workshops and they will learn how to build objects such as compost toilet, solar with sustainable and innovative techniques cooker, thermocompost, tree houses, geodesic domes etc.

At the end of the experience the volunteers will be able to propose their project related to this field will be realized either individually or with the support of the association and will have acquired specific skills to work with the public, manage a group and specific techniques easily spendable in the world of work.

- Guest reception and cleaning of common areas (5 - 10 hours per week)

The volunteers will take care of the cleaning of all common areas and guest rooms of the association helping the workers of the association. Occasionally they will join in the preparing meals for other collaborators, always in a context of sharing. It will also be their task is to help during the tours offered to visitors of the farm.

The volunteers will acquire the necessary skills to independently manage a context similar to a farm, to cook with traditional Italian products and recipes (supported by a chef) and to live in a context of sharing. They will enrich the activity thanks to their linguistic knowledge and

culinary, helping in the reception of foreign guests and cooking dishes typical of their countries of origin. The objective of this path is that the volunteers are able, at the end of the experience, to welcome guests speaking in Italian and learning how to cook some typical Italian dishes.



## **Project Context**

Moncalieri (Moncalé in Piedmontese, Mons Calerius or even Mons Calerii in Latin) is an Italian town of 57.518 inhabitants of the Metropolitan City of Turin, in Piedmont, conurbated in the metropolitan area of Turin, just 5 km south-west from the Piedmontese capital.

It is the first municipality of the metropolitan city by population after Turin, as well as the fifth of Piedmont by number of residents, surpassing in this ranking some provincial capitals of the Region. It is considered a municipality of historical-cultural interest, both for the presence of the Savoy Castle, and for the ancient name of "City of the Proclamation" from the name of the famous document that was an episode of the Italian Risorgimento.

## **Accommodation & Financial Support**

Diramarsi will locate a flat in Moncalieri for the 2 EVS Volunteers with 1 double room, a bathroom and a kitchen. We will also provide an amount that will be sufficient to go shopping and cook at home.

Pocket money of 5 euro per day for month and an Italian language course will be provided.

The travel expenses will be refunded on the basis defined by the European Commission.