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Hosting & Coordinating Organisation: Sivas Gelisim Genclik Derneđi

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The European Solidarity Corps brings together young people to build a more inclusive society, supporting vulnerable people and responding to societal challenges. It offers an inspiring and empowering experience for young people who want to help, learn and develop.

Project Activities:

ESC volunteers will work with young people aged between 17 and 30 years old. They will organize some social, cultural and educational activities for young people in order to improve their personal skills and support social integration actively.

Planned tasks are as follows:

- Creative activities for acquaintance with the English language to young people.
- Participation in organizing cultural activities and events
- Working with young people in workshops.
- Making presentation in schools and high school about volunteers own country and culture and about European voluntary service
- Daily work in the office and attending the team meetings
- Organizing voluntary campaigns
- Own activities and projects.

Who we are ?

Development Youth Association is a non-governmental organization, which unites people of different age, social class, nation and interest but with same goal: make the world of 21st century a bit more better and friendlier to its inhabitants. The main activities are: education, democracy, human rights, ecology, refugees, unemployment, sports and culture. Youngsters believe that these aspects are not only closely connected with the majority of youth problems, but also provide a wide space for growth, innovational thinking and creativity, which can be accumulated firstly by youngsters. Members of DYSA evaluate not only organizing projects and events, but also participating in local youth, student and school councils, because democracy begins not with election but from participation and responsibility. Youngsters create a better world not just in the name of faceless "everybody", but in the name of their friends and beloved, in the name of the future generation, in the name of their children.

What We Do?

Our main activities are based on intercultural learning, by using a non-formal education and youth program actions in order to encourage the youth participation in the international context, so abolishing the barriers between countries, reducing the racism and promoting the tolerance between different cultures. Our organization wants to encourage youth initiatives by young people. We support them by providing information, tools, and training to help them get their goals.

We are active, sending, hosting and coordinating, with more than 50 people per year. Our major activities in the International Office include, but are not limited to, the following typical activities:

- Mobility programs
- Sending, hosting and coordinating ESC program.
- Training Courses for leader, youth worker and facilitators in national and international level
- Organization of youth exchanges within the framework of the Youth Program
- Organization of seminars, conferences, workshops and youth initiatives projects for our members
- Offering leisure activities and social, cultural and sport activities for young people and adults
- Promoting European values and cooperation among students, teaching staff and all other workers in our local.
- Supporting people with fewer opportunities and those with special educational needs, immigrant and refugees.
- Taking active roles in determining youth policies at the local level

Sivas City

Sivas; located between three valleys which composed by Kızılırmak, Yeşilirmak and Euphrates River. The city, where the first settlement dates back to 7000-5000 BC, acted as a witness many historical sites. Also, with its area of 28.488 km², it is the second largest province of Turkey in terms of land width.

Sivas, where the foundation of our Republic was founded along with the Sivas Congress convened on 4 September 1919, became one of the important cities of the Republican Period by hosting Atatürk and congress delegates for 108 days.

Travel

I would like to give you a couple of advices to find the most convenient travel way with reasonable prices. I think you can find several direct flights from your city to Istanbul or maybe Ankara. 😊

Istanbul – Sivas: There are daily domestic flights to Sivas from Istanbul Airport. The prices are about 40 EUR for one way if you reserve earlier. There is another international airport in Istanbul which is called Sabiha Gokcen Airport located in Anatolian part of Istanbul. There are two another domestic flights from that airport to Sivas. They are Anadolu Jet and Pegasus Airlines. The prices are about 30-40 euro for one way. But to transfer from Istanbul to Sabiha Gokcen takes 1 hour by airport shuttle service which is costed 10 EUR for one way. If you think to travel Sivas by bus or train forget it because it takes about 10 hours.

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