

# MIGRANT SERVICE - LUSERNA SAN GIOVANNI

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### ● DESCRIPTION

**Migrant Service** is a service located in Luserna San Giovanni, a small village near Turin. The service is located in Villa Olanda, an old villa where Diaconia Valdese develops many activities both for refugees than for youngsters. In the center Villa Olanda are living some refugees: this is the biggest hosting center, otherwise refugees are usually hosted in small apartments to let them better be integrated in the local communities. The center offers different workshops, such as sewing, cooking, music workshops or to learn how to repair bicycles or how to use computers. The service proposes educational paths in the local schools to raise awareness between young people about the phenomenon of migration. Many events are also organised at the local level to foster integration and inclusion, such as Italian language classes and other initiatives.



Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/inclusionediagonia/>  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/migran>

## ● **ACTIVITIES**

Volunteers will have the opportunity to live and train in a context of community and multicultural life, crossed by challenges that actively lead to participation. The service will be characterised by activities of support and reflection of the personal path at an emotional, professional and relational level.

Together with the experience of volunteering, it will be developed complementary activities which will give to the volunteers the opportunity to act as protagonists in the creation of a constructive and inclusive intercultural dialogue, developed on several levels and with different means of communication. This will also allow the connection of the various volunteering experiences, the perception of collective responsibility and the strength of a shared volunteering program.

## ● **SEMINARS**

Diaconia Valdese, as a coordinating organisation, will offer to the volunteers 3 seminars for long term mobility.

- On-Arrival Seminar at the beginning of the project mobility (October 2022) -
- Mid-Term Seminar in the middle of the project mobility (February 2023) -
- Final Seminar at the end of the project (June 2023)

Furthermore, volunteers from the ESC program will attend 2 more seminars organised by the Italian National Agency.

## ● **LOGISTICS**

### **DURATION**

The project mobility lasts for 11 months and the start is expected in **autumn 2022**.

### **TRAVEL**

The volunteers are asked to pay their own travel ticket. They will be reimbursed at the end of the service upon the delivery of all original tickets and boarding passes of their journey.

The travel budget is calculated according to different distance bands that can change from country to country.

## VISA

For participants who need a visa, there is a budget of 180 € for each volunteer. The participants have to keep all the invoices and tickets to give proof of the expenses. The volunteers will be reimbursed for these expenses at their arrival in Italy.

## POCKET MONEY

The volunteers will receive 150,00/155,00 euro of pocket money, at the beginning of every month (5 euro per day).

## FOOD, ACCOMMODATION, TRANSPORTS

The volunteer will stay in an apartment with another volunteer, from another country. They will have a shared bedroom (with maximum one other volunteer) and they will share the common spaces (kitchen, living room, bathroom). The house is equipped with all necessary furniture (also towels and sheets for beds). The volunteers will receive a monthly sum every month for the food expenses. From the apartment it is possible to reach the placement on foot.

## LANGUAGE COURSE

The volunteers will have access to the Online Linguistic Support that will help them in learning the Italian language.

Furthermore they will attend weekly Italian lessons organised by Diaconia Valdese.

## INSURANCE

The volunteers will be insured with *Cigna* insurance by their sending organisation.

## COORDINATING ORGANISATION

CSD - Diaconia Valdese: is a non-profit organisation born thanks to the Waldensian church, a protestant minority in Italy. The organization itself is laical, everyone can benefit from its services regardless to which is the religious, political, cultural, sexual belonging.

The organisation coordinates many services at a national level addressed to people in situations of need, such as disabled, elderly people, minors and youngsters, adults with fewer opportunities, refugees and asylum seekers.

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