

**Let's live Europe in rural area in France! -3
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1 project – 6 vacancies for youth from the European Union**



Europe is looking forward to your contribution! Help develop the cultural openness of young people and participate in their learning of citizenship and tolerance. Support their curiosity on intercultural aspects and encourage them to discover Europe! Become a volunteer in the training center for teenagers and young people in the rural area surrounding the city of Le Mans.

CONTEXT OF THE PROJECT

This project will involve 6 volunteers from 6 different European Union countries. Each one of them will volunteer in one of the 6 local training centers for teenagers from the area of Sarthe, France.

The local training centers are called: the "Maisons Familiales Rurales" or MFR (literary translated as the "rural family houses"). The volunteer will be hosted in one of the 6 MFR. Each MFR have different topics and diplomas, and is located in a different village. This project is common to the 6 training center, but each project is different. The way to go to the MFR is also different, some will provide a car, and there's a 1 hour round trip to drive to the school, other needs to use train or buses for 2 hours round trip every day.

One of the challenges of this project is to bring Europe in rural areas, therefore, the transports issue is important and all applicants must have a driving license. You can chose to apply to the 6 vacancies, or chose specific training centers regarding to the topics of the diplomas for example.

Volunteers will be regarded as full members of their team and will be included in the daily work of each center. They will have an opportunity to use and improve their own abilities: volunteers will develop their sense of initiative, gain skills and get new knowledges through organizing and realizing different activities for the MFR (workshops, courses, individual support, sports, games, plays, presentations, lectures). During the project, the volunteer will mainly be in touch with the young people that are hosted in the MFR, but not only. They will be encouraged to submit and implement their own projects, with possibilities of partnership with other local organizations. The volunteer will act as an ambassador of his country, and thus will try to promote values such as diversity and intercultural actions. The purpose of the French MFR is to develop a global approach of education, by using strictly formal, non-formal and informal learnings. Their practices are based on the training system which mixes training and work. In other words, a rhythm that allows the pupils to share between a period of study/training at the MFR and a period of work in a farm, /association or companies.

The MFR in figures: 440 MFR in France, 70 000 pupil, apprentices or trainees and more than 600 MFR abroad (in 30 other countries).

MISSIONS

The volunteer will work full time with the team of the MFR from Monday to Friday, during the day, on a weekly bases of 30 hours/a week. There is a total amount of 1140 hours to do throughout the year: it means that some weeks are around 40/45 hours of work, and some are around 20. The planning will be organized in each training center in the beginning of the project, regarding activities, languages courses, transportation system, and holidays of the training center. Once a week, they might be asked to take part in gatherings with the student that are organized in the evening. From time to time, the volunteer will have the opportunity to work in Le Mans with the other EVS volunteers in order to build a common project.

The main missions for the volunteer will be:

1. European cultural openness

At various times during the pupils' training (evening gatherings, lunch time, breaks, study time etc.), the volunteer will set up activities meant to promote discovery, exchange and cultural approach of countries. They can be presentations of volunteer's country (through photos, videos, arts, national cuisine etc.). The volunteer is also expected to help prepare young people for European mobility.

2. Educational and pedagogical mission

As a full member of the team, the volunteer will participate in the activities lead by the members of the teaching team, will lead activities in the MFR, and will enable communication (via videos, booklets, Facebook, interviews). The volunteer will have the opportunity to talk about his/her mission or country during other events organized outside the MFR. The volunteer might participate in some school trips, study visit... In France or abroad!

3. Joint project with the 6 volunteers in the 6 training centers ...

The volunteer will participate in a joint project. The 6 volunteers will have to design a common project on international solidarity, in the framework of the work of the MFR abroad (outside of the EU). They will be supported by the teams of the MFR and the Maison de l'Europe. As such, they will regularly meet Le Mans.

ACCOMODATION

The volunteer will be accommodated in Le Mans, with the other 5 volunteers taking part in this project. They will live in a house next to the train station in Le Mans, not far from the city center. Each volunteer will have his own room in this big house, and they'll all share the common parts. There is a garden, the house is fully furnished, and was renovated last year.

Accommodation and transportation fees are under the responsibility of the host organization. Money will be given to the volunteer every month to cover food expenses, as such as pocket money. Insurance will be contracted by the host organization for the volunteer.

COORDINATION

This project is coordinated by the House of Europe in Le Mans. You will mainly be in touch with us during the application process, and in the beginning of your EVS to settle in Le Mans. All administrative and financial terms of the projects are organized by the House of Europe.

More information about us: <http://europe-en-sarthe.eu/a-propos/about-us/>

Application: to consider your application complete, we would like to receive from you a CV, the application form fully completed and a video answering the questions in the application form. You can send your application to evs@europe-en-sarthe.eu

Don't forget to let us know if you're applying to the 6 different places or to some specifically.

PRESENTATION OF THE 6 DIFFERENT MFR

MFR BERNAY-EN-CHAMPAGNE

The MFR from Bernay-en-Champagne welcomes 275 youth, studying in two fields: Social and care-based jobs or agricultural education, from age 14 to 25. They all have one week in the MFR and one week in traineeships.

- Two orientation classes, to get a first diploma and discover working environment. Student have one week in MFR, one week in traineeship. Traineeships are mainly in agricultural field.
- A professional baccalaureate degree in 3 years called "CGEA" (conduct and management of a farm).
- A professional degree in 2 years called "Careers in agriculture".
- One class for the last year of the professional baccalaureate degree about social and care-based jobs (the first 2 years are in another MFR nearby)
- One higher education diploma called ESF "social and family economy"
- One higher education diploma called ACSE "Analysis and management of operating strategies".

TRANSPORTS

To reach Bernay, the MFR will provide a car to the volunteer so that he can drive from Le Mans to Bernay (25 kilometers). The volunteer can also organize car-sharing with the volunteer from the MFR of Coulans which is near.

MFR COULANS SUR GEE

The MFR of Coulans welcomes every year approximately 200 youth, from 14 years old to 20 years old on following diplomas:

- Two orientation classes, to get a first diploma and discover working environment. Student have one week in MFR, one week in traineeship. Traineeships are mainly in agricultural field.
- A professional baccalaureate degree called SAPVER (a degree to become social worker or commercial/seller I rural area) in 2 years. This professional degree prepares young people for several care-based jobs, such as working with children, caring for the elderly and the disabled, activities related to tourism, community center activities, reception, secretariat... and also commercial job, like seller in a bakery, in supermarket, in farms...
- A professional baccalaureate degree called SAPAT (a degree to become social worker). This professional degree prepares young people for several care-based jobs, such as working with children, caring for the elderly and the disabled, activities related to tourism, community center activities, reception, secretariat...
- A professional diploma called CAP "Young children"; to prepare to all kind of jobs with young children.

TRANSPORTS

To reach Coulans, the MFR will provide a car to the volunteer so that he can drive from Le Mans to Coulans (20 kilometers). The volunteer can also organize car-sharing with the volunteer from the MFR of Bernay which is near.

MFR FYE

The MFR of Fyé has existed for 54 years and welcomes young people from ages 14 to 20 (80% of them are girls).

It offers two types of work-study training (50% of the time in school, 50% in the company):

- Two orientation classes, (14 and 15 years old pupils);
- A professional baccalaureate degree called SAPAT (a degree to become social worker). This professional degree prepares young people for several care-based jobs, such as working with children, caring for the elderly and the disabled, activities related to tourism, community center activities, reception, secretariat...
- Continuous training modules (nursery assistants, youth worker, future agricultural employees).

TRANSPORTS

To reach Fyé, the volunteer will take the train from Le Mans to La Hutte (37 minutes). Then, (s)he will use the car of the MFR to reach the training center (3 kilometers). For the way back, the volunteer will drive the car to the train station of La Hutte, leave it there and take the train back to Le Mans. This means approximately 1 hour to go from the accommodation to work, and 1 hour back.

MFR LA FERTE BERNARD

The MFR of La Ferté Bernard welcomes 130 pupils every year, from age 14; in different classes:

- Two orientation classes, to get a first diploma and discover working environment. Student have one week in MFR, one week in traineeship. Traineeships are free to be chosen by pupils, to discover any working environment.
- A professional baccalaureate degree on forest.
- A professional baccalaureate degree on Management of natural habitats and wildlife.
- A higher education degree on Management and Protection of Nature

TRANSPORTS

To reach La Ferté Bernard, the volunteer will take the train from Le Mans to La Ferté (26 minutes). Then the MFR will provide a car so that the volunteer can drive to the MFR (3 kilometers). For the way back, the volunteer will drive the car to the train station, leave the car there and take the train back to Le Mans.

This means approximately 1 hour to go from the accommodation to work, and 1 hour back.

MFR NOGENT LE BERNARD

This year, the MFR of Nogent-le-Bernard welcomes 76 pupils; divided in 4 classes.

- Two orientation classes, to get a first diploma and discover working environment. Student have one week in MFR, one week in traineeship. Traineeship are free to be chosen by pupils, to discover any working environment.

1) 16 pupils between 14 and 15 years old, 11 boys and 5 girls.

2) 21 pupils between 15 and 16 years old, 6 boys and 15 girls.

- A professional baccalaureate degree called SAPVER (a degree to become social worker or commercial/seller I rural area) in 2 years. This professional degree prepares young people for several care-based jobs, such as working with children, caring for the elderly and the disabled, activities related to tourism, community center activities, reception, secretariat... and also commercial job, like seller in a bakery, in supermarket, in farms...

1) 24 students, 21 girls and 3 boys.

2) 15 student, 14 girls and 1 boy.

TRANSPORTS

To reach Nogent-le-Bernard, the volunteer will take the bus from Le Mans to Bonnétable (1 hour). Then, (s)he will use the car of the MFR to reach the training center (10 minutes). For the way back, the volunteer will drive the car to the train station, leave it there and take the bus back to Le Mans. This means approximately 1 hour to go from the accommodation to work, and 1 hour back.

MFR VERNEIL LE CHETIF

The MFR of Verneil le Chétif welcomes this year 147 young people (135 boys and 12 girls) divided in 8 classes.

- Two orientation classes, to get a first diploma and discover working environment. Student have one week in MFR, one week in traineeship. Traineeships are free to be chosen by pupils, to discover any working environment. (Pupils 14 to 16 years old).

- A professional baccalaureate degree in the field of agriculture and landscapes in 3 years (6 classes).

TRANSPORTS

To reach Verneil le Chétif, the volunteer will have to take the train till Mayet (26 minutes), and then take a car to reach the MFR (4 kilometers). The MFR will provide a car that the volunteer will drop every evening in the train station of Mayet and take back every morning. This means approximately 1 hour to go from the accommodation to work, and 1 hour back.