CALL FOR ESC VOLUNTEER IN AFS ICELAND

AFS Iceland is currently seeking an European Solidarity Corps (ESC) volunteer for the duration of one year, starting in January/February/March 2020. The main focus for the ESC volunteer will be twofold: Volunteer Development and Intercultural Learning (ICL). Volunteer Development will be through working closely with the local chapters and helping them develop their work as well as helping to set up new chapters. The Intercultural Learning part will be facilitating trainings and activities for an external and internal audience, and generally help with maintaining an ICL strategy within AFS Iceland. The ESC volunteer will work together with the Organisational Development Coordinator who is also the ICL responsible, as well as the Pool of Trainers and other local and national volunteers in shared projects. Furthermore, the volunteer will help out with day to day tasks in the office and have the chance to learn from the different staff members.

Accommodation, transport, language course and other practical arrangements will be taken care of by AFS Iceland. The ESC volunteer will be partly funded by the grant of the European Solidarity Corps, which is a part of the Erasmus+ programme. To find more about the programme, feel free to take a look at this website.

The ESC volunteer will live in Reykjavik or the surrounding areas in a room in a shared house or with a host family.

The project
The project has a duration of 12 months. The ESC volunteer will have most of the working days at the office in Reykjavik, but will spend some out of office for trainings or events. The ESC volunteer can expect to have some work during weekends as most of our volunteer camps take place during the weekends - this will also mean camps outside of the capital area giving some chance to see Iceland.

The overall aim is to improve the quality of our volunteer work, information sharing and collaboration between AFS chapters and groups. The ESC volunteer will assist with arranging training for volunteers, structuring chapters as well as information sharing via social media. We want to improve the quality of ICL at AFS Iceland by developing and delivering trainings and workshops for internal and external audiences. That includes AFS volunteers, staff as well as external teachers, pupils, other organisations and businesses. These are central goals in our ICL strategy. The ESC volunteers will be included in overlapping projects such as Intercultural Dialogue Day, promoting active citizenship and administrative tasks.

Qualifications
- Volunteer experience, preferably as a trainer.
- Good communication and social skills
- Basic knowledge about volunteerism, active citizenship, intercultural learning and training.
Motivation for staying in Iceland for a year, learning Icelandic, working at the AFS ISL office, delivering trainings.

Good spoken and written English

We can offer

- A flexible and exciting work environment.
- Training according to needs.
- Personal and professional growth.
- Experience of working professionally with volunteers.
- Icelandic language course.

Young people with fewer opportunities

The ESC programme has a special focus on providing opportunities to young people with fewer opportunities. For this project we especially encourage young people fitting into this category to apply (f.ex. from a rural area, with mental of physical disability, from lower socio-economic background or other).

How to apply

1. Fill in the following form: https://forms.gle/4mpM9K792RrzDdG67
2. Send your CV and motivational letter to the ODC of AFS Iceland, Tinna - tinna@afs.org, before 6th of January 2020.

For any questions please don’t hesitate to contact tinna@afs.org