



In the next lines you will find info about Association Pavel Satev Kocani, about our team and most important about your project. After you read this and still have questions please don't hesitate to contact your sending association or to write directly to me.

So, thank you so much for being our volunteer and WELCOME to our project !!!

1. Description of our project

"ERASMUS MASTER" Is a project of mobility of young people, EVS, hosted in:

- Kocani/Macedonia in which will take part 1 young person from Turkey
- Between 1st August 2017 - 31 July 2018

The Sending Organisation (SO) is:

- "Sof Dagi" from Gaziantep, Turkey

By "ERASMUS MASTER" We aim to offer to the volunteers the opportunity to develop those skills useful:

- a) to increase employability;
- b) to accelerate the transition to a more active lifestyle

The proposed objectives of the project are characteristic for non-formal education:

- 1) Development of attitudes / skills / basic knowledge & practical valuable in the context of a job and more active participation in the community
- 2) Informing and guiding local and foreign volunteers through their activities, and improving communication with foreign partners.

In summary, the activities of this project will be dedicated to our local office and managing activities of our local and foreign volunteers. The volunteer daily activities will be organized after arrival based on a common agreement. The volunteer will also help the president of the organization.

The volunteer should monitor and manage other volunteers taking part in these activities:

- * **Textile bag** - Getting wasted materials from local textile factories, bring them in our office where our volunteers together with people with disabilities from our town will sew textile bags. Those textile bags will be given for free to the local people so they to stop using plastic bags and stop polluting the environment. If materials are not good for bags than volunteers can sew dolls or toys and donate them to economically disadvantage families or to local kindergartens.



- * **EVS On-Line Radio** - we have our own on-line radio where volunteers are creating talk shows or music programs.
- * **On-Line Magazine** - we have monthly on-line magazine which we are doing in Adobe In Design. Volunteers are writing articles connected with interests of young people which we are publishing in the magazine.
- * **E-Mail communication with foreign partners** - our aim is to improve our communication with existing foreign partners and establish connection with new partners which are working with Erasmus+ projects.

The volunteer will have to coordinate all those activities and volunteers which participate in them, with directly mentorship from the president of the Association Pavel Satev Kocani.

The main results will generate impact learning.

We anticipate that the long term impact will be generated by "ERASMUS MASTER" on the personal development of the volunteer and getting more familiar with Erasmus+ program and project management. After this project experience the volunteer will have all the necessary competences to work as individual with openness to other cultures much different from the "home" and to accept the diversity around.

ERASMUS MASTER project is dedicated to those volunteers who wish to work with youngsters by becoming a youth worker or a leader someday.

Developing skills in project realization, project evaluation and dissemination will give competencies and potential profession in this field.

2. About Association Pavel Satev Kocani

Association Pavel Satev Kocani is an NGO created in 2009 by a group of young people from different towns in eastern part of Macedonia who wished to do everything necessary for changing the world and bringing hope in the people's life.

We are specialized in working with people on all ages in many fields connected with the human well-being. Therefore we decided to apply on Erasmus + Program and give the opportunity for the foreign young people to join us also. As large is the team so are the results more meaningful.

We wish to improve our work and to make it as good as possible! Our team is really good prepared so we hope to gain like this a great reputation and in future to organize many more projects. Our web-site is www.pavelsatev.org.mk

We have a Facebook page – Association Pavel Satev Kocani - <https://www.facebook.com/pavelsatev/> and the Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/pavel.satev/>



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3. Venue, Living & Volunteering Conditions

Accommodation

During the stage the EVS volunteers of this project will live in town of Kocani, in a really big and shared house (common bedrooms but divided by genders, as 2 or 3 persons) with other EVS volunteers on other projects of our association. If the volunteers will have any special personal needs concerning the accommodation please let me know as soon as possible in order to analyze the situation and check the available opportunities. The city is not so big so you will be walking to get to the office, at the main office or at the place where you will organize the activities. From your house to the office is like 10-15 minutes walking 😊 The accommodation place will have all the necessary elements, bedrooms, bathrooms, equipped kitchen with everything necessary for preparing your food also free Wi-Fi and cable TV. We will provide you with 1 round of bed sheets, pillow and blankets but please bring your own towels and everything that you consider that you will need specific for your stay here. In this group you can find photos from the house and videos from volunteering activities <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EVSinMacedonia/>





Kocani is located in the eastern part of Macedonia. It is just in the center of the Balkans. All main and touristic towns are very close to Kocani. Skopje is only 120km, Ohrid & Ohrid lake 200km, Sofia 200km, Thessaloniki & Aegean sea 200km, Tirana & Ionian & Adriatic sea 400km, Belgrade 500km. EVS volunteers usually are making Balkan tours with hitchhiking which is considered as safe way of free transportation at the Balkans.

Food & Pocket money

For food the volunteers will receive 100 Euro/person/month.

Monthly allowance will be 60 Euro/person/month.

What to bring

We suggest you to bring with you your laptop, all kind of clothes, an unlock mobile phone in case you want it, to be able to use it with Macedonian sim card, towels, traditional stuff from your country (food, sweets, presentation movies, etc.) for our first intercultural party and also special medicine if you need.

Transport

We suggest you to find the best way of transportation and also check the prices.

Please contact me before buying the tickets.

If you need our help please let me know and we will look together for the best solution.

The closest airport to Kocani is Skopje airport, but you can also use Sofia or Thessaloniki airport. For volunteers from Turkey we prefer Skopje airport because of the direct and cheap flights between Istanbul and Skopje with Turkish Airlines and Pegasus.



Working hours, days off and holidays

The volunteers will work between 5-7 hours/day, 5 days/week. They will have the week-ends free and extra 2 days holiday after every 30 working days. Also every national holiday of Macedonia and their home country is free.

Notes

The communication language will be English, a good level of English will be useful. In case needed we will help you with extra English lessons weekly with our volunteers from USA.

Macedonia has this kind of power socket.



If you have some special needs please let us know before your arrival !!!

For the selection of the volunteers we will need them to send us a copy of their passport and an actual picture, CV and motivation letter "Why I want to be part of this project?".

You will also have a Skype interview and if everything will go fine you will be selected as our EVS volunteer for this project.

Attention !!!

A Learning Agreement will be signed with each EVS volunteer and will include the learning process plan and some administrative aspects at least one month before the starting of the voluntary stage.