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# "CELEBRATE LOVE"

PROJECT DURATION  
2 MONTHS

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**HELLO,  
EVERYONE!**



# WHO WE ARE

**IASIS** is a non-profit organization founded in 2005. Our vision is to create a world free from discrimination and injustice through education and support. Our core values include solidarity, cooperation, support, and care.

The **main objectives** of the organization include:

- Providing psychosocial support and combating social exclusion of vulnerable groups
- Offering psychological and counseling services
- Creating equal opportunities and prospects for vulnerable groups
- Promoting mental health and psychiatric care within the community

Based on the **principles** of Social Psychiatry and Psychosocial Rehabilitation, the organization provides specialized psychiatric services and psychoeducational interventions in accordance with World Health Organization standards.



# UNITS-SERVICES

IASIS operates several key structures and initiatives, for example:

- 5 Day Centres: Open structures providing therapeutic, educational, and counseling services to several vulnerable groups and people living in the community.
- 6 Boarding Houses: Accommodating a total of 95 residents with mental health issues.
- 2 Sheltered Apartments & 2 Short-Stay Units: Semi-autonomous, protected residential apartments offering short-term accommodation for individuals with mental health challenges.
- Fabric Republic: An innovative and comprehensive clothing management system dedicated to addressing social needs, promoting sustainability, and supporting sustainable development.
- 5 Youth Centers: Under the "CONNECT YOUR CITY" initiative, located in Athens, Thessaloniki and Brussels.
- IASIS R&D Department: Developing consulting and support tools for socially vulnerable groups and enhancing the soft and hard skills of professionals.
- EDIFY Centre: A certified training center for both adult and children's education.
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# PROJECT

The project offers you a unique opportunity to become a member of a volunteer team and IASIS community, through a series of organized activities, based on experiences with individuals facing mental health challenges and several other vulnerable groups.

You will be informed and trained about the activities of Fabric Republic. The reuse of clothing, the circular economy, and support for vulnerable social groups—all within a friendly and interactive environment that fosters a desire for learning, are some of the core points of Fabric Republic.

At the same time, you will collaborate with individuals from vulnerable groups, forming teams and participating in activities aimed at raising awareness and providing education.





Additionally, you will be a part of the implementation process of the "Celebrate Love" fashion show, an event that showcases not only the recycled garments but also the stories and voices of those often marginalized by society. This event aims to inspire the local community by highlighting the intersection of mental health, social inclusion, and environmental awareness.

Throughout your experience, you will be part of a vibrant team that shares your passion for social impact, sustainability, and advocacy for vulnerable populations. The skills you acquire in project management, creative collaboration, and community engagement will be invaluable, providing a lasting personal and professional impact.

You'll also gain insights into the circular economy and sustainable development, which will deepen your understanding of how social and environmental issues can be addressed through innovative solutions.

# DEPARTURES

Late arrivals and early departures are not financed.

If you want to explore Athens for some more days  
you can extend your trip on your own cost!

Arrivals

**TRAVEL DAY  
19/04/2026**

Departures

**TRAVEL DAY  
15/06/2026**



# PROCEDURES

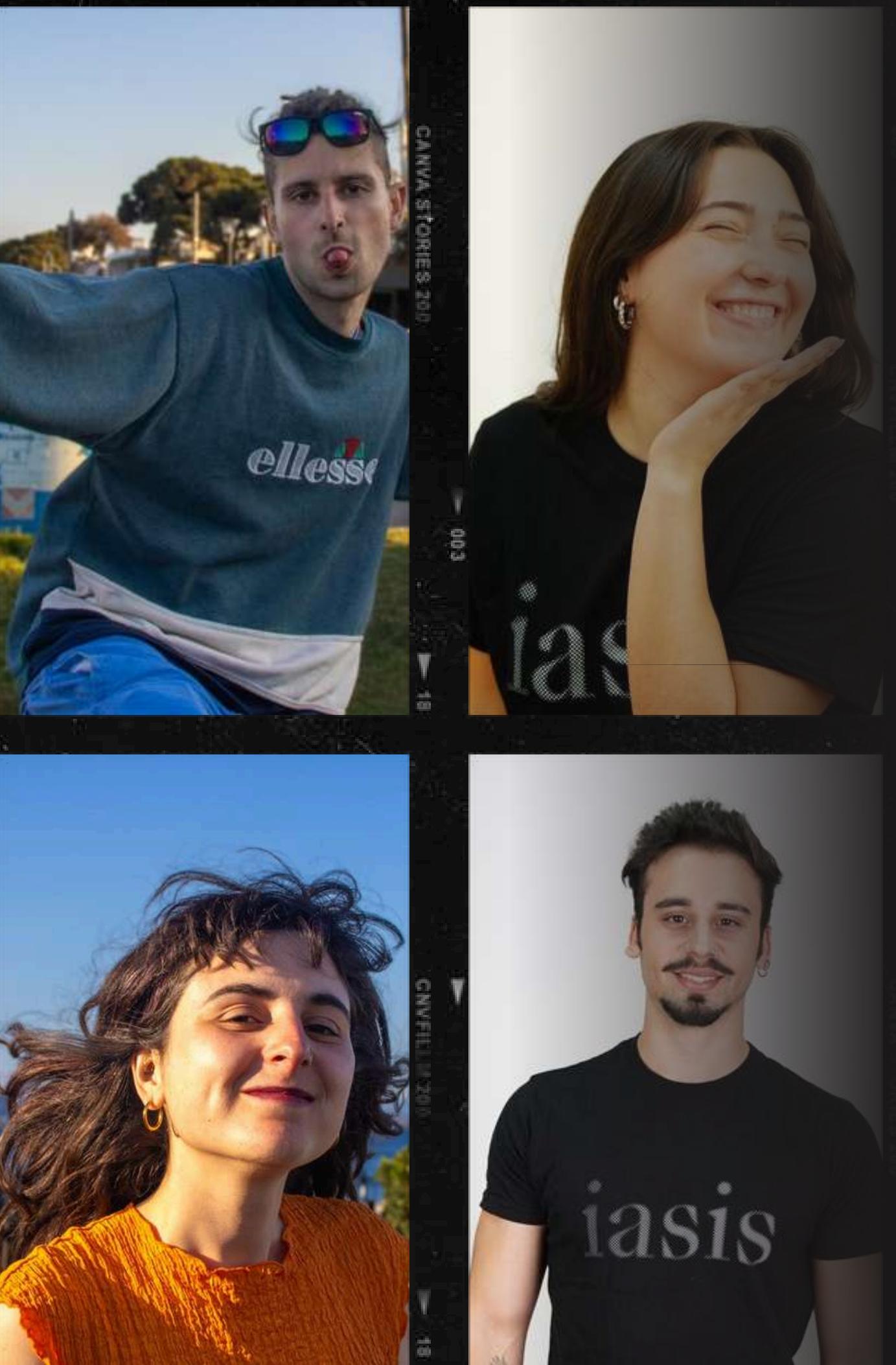
## 1. Welcoming

The program begins with an orientation week where volunteers get to know each other, meet the IASIS team, and learn about the organization's mission. They will be introduced to the Fabric Republic service and the principles of circular economy and inclusion.

## 2. Collection and Sorting

Volunteers will contribute to the management of donated clothes. They will learn which items can be reused, recycled, or upcycled, and by which methods.





### **3. UPCYCLING**

Through creative workshops, participants will gain hands-on skills in fabric repurposing. They will work with non-usable clothing to design new, functional items that promote sustainability and creativity.

### **4. CELEBRATE LOVE: FASHION FOR INCLUSION**

Volunteers will play a key role in organizing the "Celebrate Love" fashion show, which highlights recycled fashion and marginalized voices to promote mental health, inclusion, and environmental awareness, leaving a lasting impact on the community while gaining valuable skills in collaboration and advocacy.

# THE ACTIVITIES

## Support & Empower

Volunteers will get to know and support individuals from vulnerable groups. These activities focus on enhancing mental well-being and fostering inclusion within the community.

## Upcycling Workshops

Volunteers will take part in creative upcycling workshops, where they will learn practical skills to repurpose textiles and materials. These workshops will also offer the opportunity to collaborate with vulnerable groups, creating sustainable products from not usable clothes. In order to do the upcycling workshops they will firstly be engaged in the stages of collecting and evaluating the clothes.





## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Volunteers will have the opportunity to engage directly with the community through various outreach activities. This includes organizing and participating in events designed to raise awareness about environmental sustainability, mental health, and social inclusion.

## **WORKSHOPS**

Participants will be introduced to the organization's key areas of activity, including mental health, psychosocial rehabilitation, and environmental sustainability. Throughout the project, they will design and implement their own initiatives aimed at informing and raising awareness within the community.

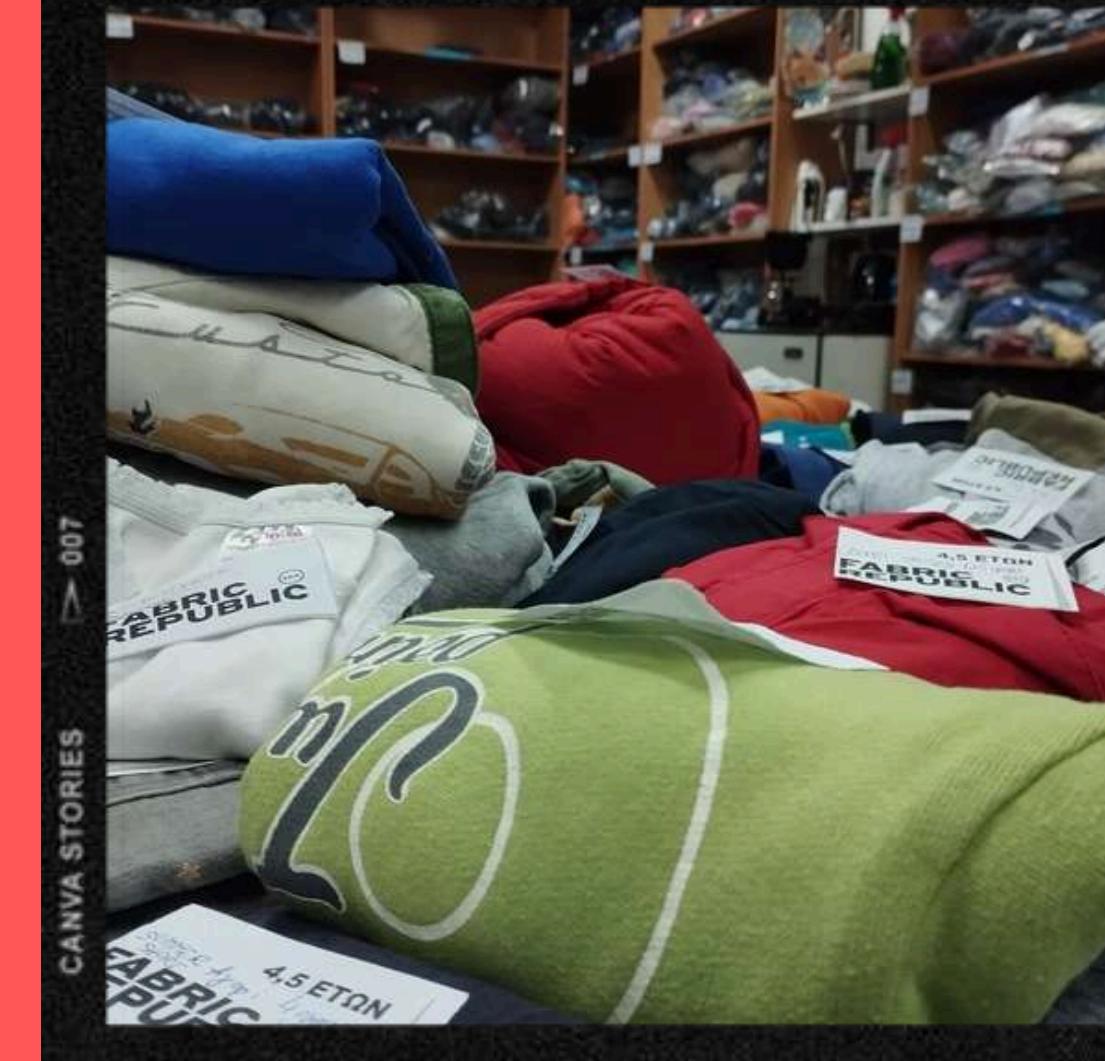
## **IMPLEMENTATION OF A BIG SCALE EVENT**

Volunteers will bring the "Celebrate Love" fashion show to life, weaving together recycled fashion and the powerful stories of marginalized individuals to inspire mental health awareness, social inclusion, and environmental consciousness. Through their efforts, they will create a meaningful and lasting impact on the community while developing skills in collaboration and advocacy.

# FABRIC REPUBLIC

An innovative and comprehensive clothing management system that focuses on today's social needs, including sustainable development.

Goal: It is the optimization and modernization of the circular management of redundant clothing and our vision is the collective development of social and ecological consciousness for a Zero Waste reality.



# BOARDING HOUSES

It is 2025, yet the stigma for people with mental health issues still exists. Through the daily work with our beneficiaries, we try to empower them, in order to equally integrate them to the community, by enhancing their hard and soft skills. Despite the mental health status of the beneficiaries, their unconditional love and affection is the biggest gift they possess!

Will you accept their gift?



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The accommodation is located in a central area of the Municipality of Marathon, previously operating as a hotel. It is a two-floor building with a total area of 800 sqm, including a basement storage space and a large outdoor yard covering 3,000 sqm. The building meets European standards, is fully accessible for individuals with disabilities (ADA compliant), and features independent entrances and exits. One floor houses a Type A1 Boarding House under the supervision of the Ministry of Health, while the second floor is designed with 15 double rooms, each with its own bathroom, offering accommodation for up to 30 people.

Volunteers stay in fully furnished rooms equipped with modern amenities such as air conditioning, a private bathroom, and a balcony. The common areas include a lounge, living room, and a large courtyard, ideal for outdoor activities and encouraging connection with nature. The location is perfect for outdoor activities, as Nea Makri Beach is just a three-minute walk away, offering easy access for both leisure and organized events.

The accommodation as a whole provides a modern and comfortable stay for volunteers, combining education and relaxation in a welcoming environment

# ACCOMMODATION

## POCKET MONEY

You will receive a daily allowance of €7 for each day you participate in the project. This allowance will be paid on a monthly basis.

Additionally, your meals will be covered throughout the duration of the project.

## TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Travel costs to and from Athens will be reimbursed up to the maximum budget amount, based on the distance between your supporting organization and Athens. You will receive the reimbursement 4–6 weeks after your official departure date, provided that you submit all the required documents (itinerary, receipt, proof of payment)

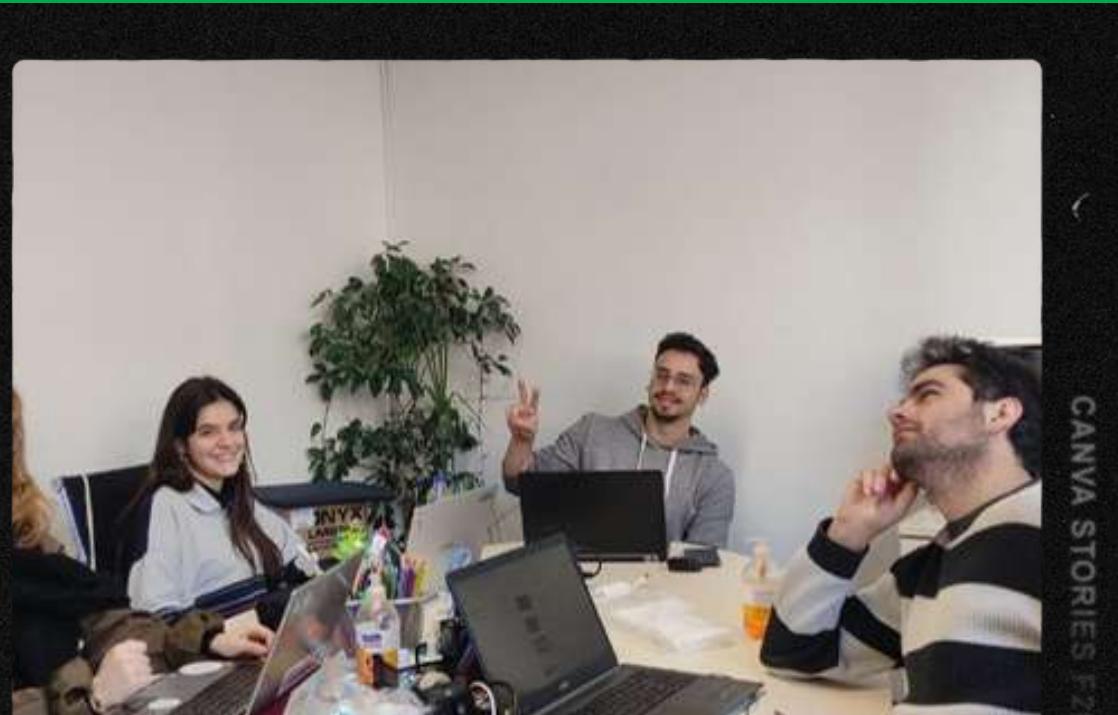


# YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT

## TRANSPORTATION

### INSURANCE

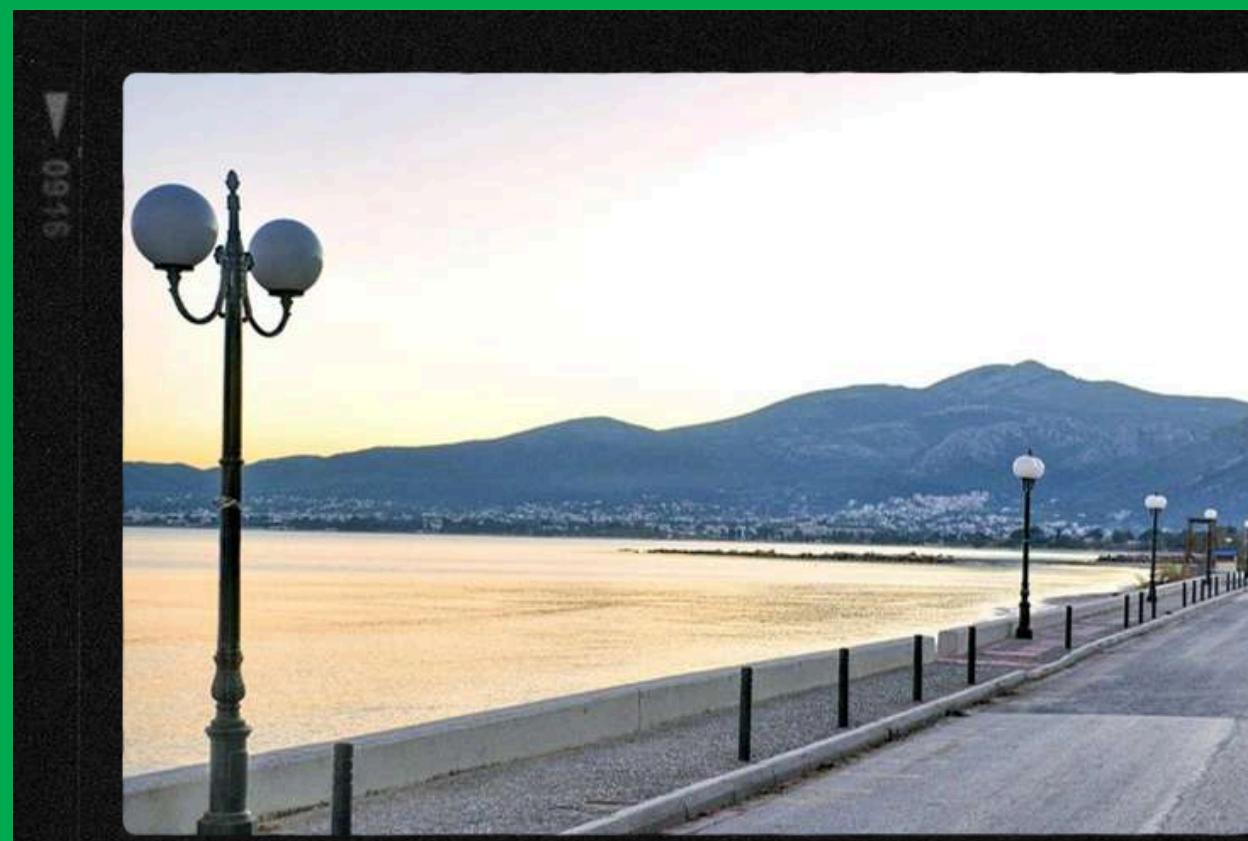
Health insurance is provided to you for the whole duration of the project. This insurance covers all medical costs planned or occurred during the service. We suggest that participants arrange the European health card prior to their arrival in Athens. Your supporting/sending Organization will provide you with all the necessary support to issue your Henner insurance (code).



### CERTIFICATES

After successfully fulfilling the project you are going to receive the Youthpass certificate, the official recognition tool for informal learning in youth projects. It is a well-recognized (throughout Europe self-assessment certificate. Internal certificate of IASIS will indicate hours of service, type of support offered by a volunteer, a set of skills they acquired, and a personal recommendation. This certificate can also be used as a letter of recommendation for future employment reasons.

The organization is responsible for providing transportation for volunteers, when it is needed. This will be done through the use of the organization's own vehicles. Additionally, the organization will cover the costs associated with all public transportation methods, such as Metro, bus, etc. However, taxi receipts will not be accepted for reimbursement or coverage by the organization





# PRACTICALITIES

The working language is English, although you can also use body language and some basic Greek for social interactions. Working hours amount to 30 hours per week, typically spread from Monday to Saturday, with an average of 6 hours per day over 5 days.

Training hours are mandatory and included within the 30 working hours.

How you organize your free time is entirely up to you. However, it needs to be coordinated, as alongside your work, you are also responsible for maintaining the house, following a menu, and living harmoniously with your housemates.

# HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM THE CHOSEN ONE?

## PARTICIPANTS

- 18-30 years old
- Legal residents of one of the Erasmus+ program countries that do not require a visa to enter Greece
- Previous experience in working or studying in the humanitarian sector
- Being or wanting to be active in the field of volunteering
- Willing to support vulnerable groups of people
- Eager to learn or already have the knowledge on how to give informal learning activities
- Enthusiastic about creating learning activities and social intervention activities
- Eager to take initiative and create opportunities for themselves and the society
- Willing to share their message with the world through social and visual media channels

We are offering this opportunity to 20 international participants, in order to ensure the intercultural dimension of the project.

There are several requirements from the program itself and a profile that we would like to focus on.



# THE STAFF

**The rest of the personnel will be composed of the professionals of IASIS, so you will be supported in your journey by:**



Activity Coordinators who will guide you through work and be the

reference people between you and your facility of action.

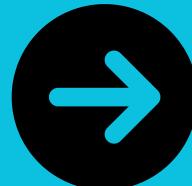
- A mentor who will guide you through your personal learning journey as well as support you in adapting to the new environment.
- Trainers who will train you on how to develop and deliver training activities.
- A project manager who will support you in all the practicalities of the project.
- A technical assistant who will support you in practical issues about the house, the activities, and anything else.
- The marketing department of IASIS is going to support you in creating and sharing your own publications online.
- The permanent staff members of the IASIS team, which consists of psychologists, social workers, nurses, and doctors, who will be on standby, to help you when needed.
- A pool of active volunteers and interns who are participating in the activities of IASIS.



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