

PAVE Volunteering Weeks 2024

Call for participants for round 3 - Croatia

Are you passionate about making a positive impact on peace awareness and conflict prevention? Do you have a keen interest in volunteering coupled with a desire to immerse yourself in diverse cultures?

If so, we invite you to join the PAVE Volunteering Weeks 2024, a unique program organized by the PAVE Project (Peace Awareness through volunteering and education).

About PAVE Volunteering weeks

- From March to October 2024, the PAVE project will organize **8 rounds of volunteering weeks in Poland, Croatia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, and Ireland** (2 rounds in each country).
- In total, they will host **96 participants from France, Poland, Spain, Ireland, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia and Ukraine aged 18 - 30**.
- Each round of volunteering will host 12 participants that will be evenly distributed among all participating countries.

The Volunteering weeks will offer an unparalleled **opportunity for personal growth, cultural exchange, and community service** in countries that have historical or recent experience with volunteering in (post)conflict situations.

Key Information about all volunteering weeks

- Participants will be **hosted by a local organization** that will organize the program of the volunteering week.
- From the **7-day program**, the first and last will be dedicated to traveling, and 5 days will be dedicated to volunteering and related activities.
- Participants have to be **aged from 18 to 30** and they have to come **from France, Spain, Croatia, Bosnia, Poland, Ireland, or Ukraine**.
- Volunteering weeks are **free of charge** for the participants, transportation, and accommodation costs, also breakfast, lunch and dinner will be covered for all participants from the budget of the project. Other costs related to insurance; visa fees

must be covered by the participants.

- **Transport will be arranged for you** by the team of the PAVE project after consultation with you. The contact person will get in touch with you right after the announcement of selected participants.
- **Accommodation will be provided** by the hosting organization for all participants.
- **One person can participate in only one round out of eight rounds** of PAVE volunteering weeks. We cannot guarantee that you will be chosen for a specific round, so if you are interested in participating, we advise you not to wait for your favorite destination. But it is advised to apply to any opportunity that you may find enriching to maximize the probability of your selection for at least one of them.

Information about the volunteering week in Croatia

When: 02- 08 of June 2024

Where: Zagreb, Croatia

Hosting Organization: Regional Foundation for Local Development Zamah

Day 1 02/6/24	Arrival to Zagreb Airport and transport to Hotel Park 45, Ilica 45 Zagreb
Day 2 03/6/24 9:30-12.00 12:30-16:00 20:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting with hosting organization team, integration and plan of volunteering week discussion• Presentation of the main activities for the week including two days of fieldwork and work with local organizations• Lunch• Walking tour of the locality• An evening for culture and relaxation
Day 3 04/6/24 9:30-16.00 19:00 20:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volunteering in organization Are You Serious: https://www.facebook.com/areyouserious/• Lunch - Culture and nations through different cuisine• Dinner• Cultural night - going to World Festival of Animated Film Animafest https://animafest.hr

<p>Day 4</p> <p>05/6/24</p> <p>11:00-17:00</p> <p>17: 00</p> <p>18:30</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteering in organization Are You Serious: https://www.facebook.com/areyousyrious/ • Lunch • Departure for volunteering 2 days' work in Banovina region/ 60 kilometers from Zagreb • Petrinja- Volunteer House
<p>Day 5</p> <p>06/6/24</p> <p>9:30-15:30</p> <p>19:30</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteering in Banovina region /. Tour through the villages with local CSO representatives • Lunch • Visit local CSO • Dinner in Petrinja
<p>Day 6</p> <p>07/6/24</p> <p>9:30- 16:30</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteering in Banovina region/. Meeting with representatives of the city of Glina • Socializing with local volunteers and lunch at local community organization Sunflower Gvozd/ https://www.suncokret-gvozd.hr/ Evaluation of the Volunteers Week • Departure to Zagreb
<p>Day 7</p> <p>08/06/24</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depart Hotel Park 45 Zagreb, Croatia

How to Apply

You can **now apply for the third round of Volunteering weeks** that will take place **in June in Croatia**. The call for participants for the next rounds of volunteering will be announced about two months before the expected start of the volunteering week.

Fill in our [online application form](#) and wait until the date when the selection of participants is finalized for the confirmation of your acceptance and further details about your volunteering experience.

Important Dates

Application Deadline for the volunteering week in Croatia: **06. 05. 2024**

Participant Selection for the volunteering week in Croatia: **07 - 10. 05. 2024**

Volunteering Week in Croatia: **02. - 08. 06. 2024**

Why Volunteer with PAVE?

Skill and Knowledge Development: You will gain valuable skills in peace and conflict management while making a meaningful contribution to local communities. Participants will have the chance to get to know more about the lives of peers who are inheriting tension from past and ongoing conflicts, and therefore they will be enabled to reconsider their consideration of war, peace, and intercultural dialogue.

Helping local community: Volunteers will be able to support the local communities working side by side with local volunteers, getting to know their backgrounds, motivation for engaging in volunteering activities, as well as difficulties and struggles coming with a context of tension and unsolved conflicts.

Cultural Immersion: Immerse yourself in the rich cultural tapestry of Bosnia, Croatia, Ireland, or Poland.

Global Connections: Build lasting connections with fellow volunteers from diverse backgrounds and create a global network for positive change.

Volunteering weeks are organized by the following consortium of partners from different countries:

- ALDA – European Association for Local Democracy (France): Pavla Bednáriková; pavla@aldaintranet.org
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- Center for Peacebuilding (Bosnia and Herzegovina): Vahidin Omanovic; unvocim@yahoo.com
- Regional Foundation for Local Development Zamah (Croatia): Drago Vručinić; pero@zamah.hr
- Inishowen Development Partnership (Ireland): Tracey McRory; tracey@inishowen.ie

For any inquiries or further information, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Join us in creating a world of peace, understanding, and positive change!