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INTERGENERATIONAL VOLUNTEERING PROJECT VOLUNTEERS OF THE COMPOSTELA GROUP OF UNIVERSITIES WITH THE HERITAGE IN GALICIAN FORESTS (VOLUNTEERING CGU WITH HERITAGE IN FORESTS GAL)

I.-OBJECTIVE

The aim of the programme *Volunteers of the Compostela Group of Universities with the Heritage in Galician Forests* is to mobilize the **intergenerational community** of the partner, associate and collaborating entities of the Compostela Group of Universities to educate, culturize and undertake volunteering actions related to the material and immaterial heritage of the Galician rural.

The activity is organized by the Compostela Group of Universities, with the special collaboration of the entities Asociación Betula, EuroEume, Grupo Naturalista Hábitat, Rural-C and the City Council of Monfero, and is sponsored by the Regional Ministry for Culture, Language and Youth of the Xunta de Galicia, under the umbrella of the BS508E proceeding organized in the ORDER of 18th of December 2024, related to the intergenerational volunteering project, linked to the pilot project Intergenerational Talent in the frame of the Plan for Recovery, Transformation and Resilience (PRTR), financed by the European Union-NextGenerationEU, for the year 2025.

II.-TARGET PARTICIPANTS

The call of the programme Volunteers of the Compostela Group of Universities with the Heritage in Galician Forests is open to people between 18 and 35 years old and older than 55 years, Galician and foreigners that are registered residents in the Autonomous Community of Galicia.

The programme is inclusive. It is open to participants with credited disabilities that can complete the programmed activities.







III.- DATES AND PLACE OF IMPLEMENTATION

The volunteering actions will take place throughout 15 days, from 23rd September to 7th October 2025.

The activities will take place in the Atlantic forest of the City Council of Monfero, Fragas do Eume and surroundings, in the province of A Coruña, in Galicia (Spain), focusing on sensible areas because of environmental, demographic or ecosystem-related risks.

The project will last from 1st January 2025 to 31st October 2025.

IV.- CONTENT OF THE ACTIVITY

The volunteering activities will promote the **transfer of intergenerational knowledge** in the rural from the neighbourhood and the personal enrichment of the volunteer, articulated around three lines of intervention:

- 1. Agri-food, in its dimension relating to material and immaterial heritage and of sustainable agricultural business entrepreneurship.
- 2. **Environmental protection**, about identification, preservation, recovery and restoration of autochthonous flora and fauna, as well as climate-related activities.
- 3. Tourism, including eco-tourism and rural tourism as well as the economic opportunities in the Galician countryside.

The intergenerational learning will be promoted through activities related to taking root in the land, the awareness of the great value of the material and immaterial heritage in the Galician rural or learning about agri-food production and artisanal methods about to disappear. These activities will include, but will not be limed to, the following: identification of local flora and fauna, preservation of material and immaterial heritage, analysis of waters, promotion of the area focusing on tourism opportunities, among others.

The program pertaining to these activities will be adjusted and focused depending on the profiles of the volunteers, as long as it is possible to do so.







Each day, 6 hours of volunteering will be allocated to work towards the objectives of the Project. When the volunteering time is finished, free-time monitorised actions will be promoted, seeking the social immersion of the volunteers in the area.

At the beginning of the activity, the volunteers will:

- 1. Receive a course on volunteering and, if necessary, on social immersion.
- 2. Form intergenerational pairs (integrated each one-by-one person between 18 and 35 years old and another older than 55 years).
- 3. Have an accompanying person designated as support staff to ensure the correct proceeding during the activities.
- 4. Participate voluntarily in the established complementary activities (e.g.: cultural, ludic, social insertion).

V.- VACANCIES AND COVERAGE

The current call has up to 14 open volunteering vacancies: up to 7 vacancies for people between 18 and 35 years, and up to 7 for people older than 55 years.

The Compostela Group of Universities will cover the cost of the following for each participant:

- Expenses (6 euros per complete volunteering day, being that a volunteering day is completed with 6 hours of volunteering work).
- Overnight accommodations for those volunteers that cannot return home in the same day.
- Local transport from the gathering point in Monfero to the end points for the undertaking of volunteering tasks, and vice versa.
- Any means considered necessary for the undertaking of volunteering tasks.
- Participation in any complementary activities that may be organised.
- Civil liability and accident insurance.
- A training course on volunteering.
- Workshops and mentorships.







It will be responsibility of the participants having medical coverage (public and/or private) for the complete duration of the volunteering period.

The beneficiaries must reach by their own means and resources the accorded meeting point in Monfero. The expenses of the round trip will be incurred by each participant. To facilitate their arrival and departure, the organising team will provide the necessary information and support to prepare the trip.

VI.- PRESENTATION OF APPLICATIONS

To opt to the offered vacancies in the current call, the interested person must present the following documentation mandatorily:

- 1. Application form, that must be filled online. See link here.
- 2. Annex I to the application.-Sworn affidavit, duly filled and signed. See link to the template here.
- 3. Scanned copy of all pages with information of the ID card or passport.

Furthermore, they will provide, if it applies, the following documentation and/or merits:

4. Accreditation of profile related to the volunteering actions (e.g.: social science studies, legal sciences, earth and sea sciences, environmental studies, ecosystems, tourism, managing and businesses; and/or, any other related via professional or vital experience different from undertaken studies).

The deadline for the presentation of applications is 21st June 2025 (12.00 PM UTC+2, mainland Spain time).







VII.- SELECTION CRITERIA

- a) Level of Galician. Levels CELGA 1 and 2 or equivalent (1 point), levels CELGA 3 and 4 or equivalent (1,5 points) and level CELGA 5 or equivalent (2 points).
- b) Previous experience in volunteering. Up to two activities (1 point) and more than two (2 points).
- c) Belonging to associations or groups that pursue social or humanitarian interests. One association/group (1 point) and two or more (2 points).
- d) Adaptation of profile to the volunteering actions. With little relation (1 point) and directly related (2 points).

Besides the previously mentioned criteria, during the selection process other objective criteria will be considered, such as **gender parity**, **inclusion of people with** disabilities, parity of different age groups and geographical distribution.

The applicants must be **registered residents** in a Galician locality, and be registered or having solicited registration in the **Rexistro de Acción Voluntaria** de Galicia (Registry of Volunteer Action of Galicia).

VIII.- PUBLISHING OF THE DECISION

The list of selected people and substitutes will be published after 10 days, starting from the closing of the presentation of applications, in the website of the project promoting entity (www.gcompostela.org), and will be communicated to the collaborating entities.

IX.- ALLOCATION OF THE VACANCIES AND FORMALISATION

The selected applicant must proceed to the formalisation of acceptance of the vacancy by means of sending to <u>grupo.compostela@usc.es</u> a <u>declaration</u> of acceptance and commitment of staying for the volunteering during fifteen days, according to the template that will be facilitated in due time.







The selected applicant will have a due date of 10 days to complete this step, counting from the date of publication of the resolution.

After completing this step, the beneficiary will sign an individual volunteering agreement with the promoting entity CGU, in which the rights and duties of said beneficiary during the volunteering period, as well as the sanctions derived from infringement, will be laid down.

If this documentation is not sent before the due date, the right to the vacancy will be understood tacitly declined, and the vacancy will be filled with a substitute person.

X.- ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITY

At the end of the volunteering period, the participant will receive a **diploma** of their activity as volunteer of the project *Volunteers of the Compostela Group of Universities with the Heritage in Galician Forests*, provided they have demonstrated the effective use of their participation and that they have completed their volunteering activity in a correct and satisfactory manner in line with the objectives of the volunteering programme.

XI.- ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROGRAM'S GUIDELINES

Participation in this programme means the acceptance of all of its guidelines. According to the Organic Law 3/2018 of data protection of personal character, the participating person, by means of their signature in the registration form, consents to the treatment of their personal data, related to the proceedings of the programme, by the Compostela Group of Universities.

For anything not anticipated in the present, the current Galician and Spanish legislations at the moment of the current call will be the standard.

The participant **agrees to the full completion of the volunteering period**. In the formalisation agreements of the volunteering activity will be taken into account the corresponding sanctions in case of unfulfillment or non-justified interruption.

To guarantee the correct execution of the volunteering programme, the Compostela Group of Universities reserves the right to interpret any doubt or omission that may come up in the implementation of the current call.









XII.- RESPONSIBILITY

The Compostela Group of Universities does not take responsibility for technical problems, hardware related, software related or others, of any type, nor of losses, electronical failures, incorrect, incomplete or non-exact communications or delays caused by the user or by any associated or used equipment or programming, nor of human error, or other, that may happen during the call of the programme.

*Note: The guidelines of this competition will be available in Galician, English and Spanish. In case of discrepancies or misinterpretation, the version in Galician will always take priority over the Spanish and English versions.

