



Partner Identification Form

Full name of the organization:

De Amicitia Levante

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Is the organisation a public body? (Yes/No)

YES

Is the organisation non-profit? (Yes/No)

YES

Type of organisation:

Non-governmental organisation

Background and experience

Please briefly introduce the organization:

De Amicitia is a non-profit non-governmental organization, officially registered in the Spanish National Registry of Associations since 2020. The organization is based in a rural area near the city of Dénia, in the Marina Alta region of the Valencian Community. The decision to operate in a rural context is a deliberate one, reflecting De Amicitia's strong commitment to promoting sustainable local development, enhancing peripheral areas, and strengthening local communities.

The main mission of De Amicitia is to promote solidarity, active participation, and non-formal education through the organization of local and international volunteering activities. In particular, the organization implements work camps involving volunteers from different countries, fostering intercultural exchange,

international cooperation, and the creation of long-lasting relationships based on the values of collaboration, mutual respect, and social responsibility.

Over the years, De Amicitia has developed solid expertise in European programmes, becoming a reference point for the organization of youth exchanges, training courses, and seminars funded by the European Union. The organization has been actively involved for many years in sending and hosting volunteers within the European Solidarity Corps (ESC, formerly the European Voluntary Service – EVS), supporting participants in their personal, professional, and civic development pathways. Through these experiences, De Amicitia contributes to the development of young people's transversal skills, while strengthening their sense of European citizenship and belonging to a wider community.

The projects implemented by De Amicitia mainly focus on three key areas: rural development, environmental sustainability, and active participation. The organization promotes initiatives aimed at environmental protection, the conservation of local ecosystems, and awareness-raising on climate change and sustainable economic models. At the same time, De Amicitia encourages the direct involvement of citizens in decision-making processes and community activities, strengthening the social fabric and fostering grassroots democratic participation.

A core element of De Amicitia's work is its strong focus on social inclusion. The organization designs and implements projects specifically aimed at involving volunteers and participants with fewer opportunities, offering them safe spaces for learning, dialogue, and personal growth. Through non-formal education methodologies and a person-centred approach, De Amicitia seeks to reduce social inequalities, facilitate access to European opportunities, and promote equality and diversity as fundamental values.

The De Amicitia team is characterized by a high level of multidisciplinary and adaptability. Each staff member brings a different educational and professional background, enabling the organization to address complex issues from complementary perspectives. The team includes a psychology consultant, two sociologists, a marine biologist, and other professionals with expertise in educational, social, and environmental fields. This internal diversity represents a key asset, ensuring high-quality interventions based on integrated scientific, pedagogical, and human-centred approaches.

What are the partner organisation's activities and experience in working with young people and youth participation? Please also provide information on the organisation's regular activities in the youth field.

For many years, De Amicitia has been actively working in the field of youth work, designing and implementing non-formal education projects at local, national, and international level. Every year, the organisation coordinates around 50 youth projects, hosting over 400 international volunteers and enabling approximately 300 local young people to take part in international projects organised by our partner organisations abroad.

De Amicitia is also involved in the organisation of youth exchanges within the framework of the Erasmus Plus programme, with a strong focus on the inclusion of young people with fewer opportunities, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds and rural areas. The organisation has solid experience in the development, implementation and evaluation of non-formal education activities, promoting active citizenship, intercultural dialogue and youth participation.

In recent years, we have strengthened our commitment to environmental issues and climate justice, establishing collaborations with some of the most active organisations in this field, such as Legambiente Italy, and taking part in European initiatives including the EYA Project – CERV.

De Amicitia currently manages around 10 workcamps in different areas of Spain, with a particular focus on the Valencian Community. In this region, we have recently launched a project of great importance for our organisation, “Dana Helping Hands”, which involves international volunteers in the reconstruction of homes damaged by the floods that affected the Valencia area.

Over the past two years, the organisation has also established a close partnership with a Japanese association, through which it fully funds a project called “Big in Japan”. This project involves volunteers from Japan and aims to promote cultural exchange by sharing Japanese culture in Spanish schools and accommodation facilities.

Please provide information on the key personnel involved in this application and the skills and experience they will bring to the project.

The President of De Amicitia, Ignacio, has over 26 years of experience in the field of international workcamps and cultural activities. Over the years, he has obtained several certifications that demonstrate his strong skills in facilitation, coordination of international groups, and effective transfer of competences in youth work.

Carolina is the main project manager and supervisor of the organisation. Thanks to her background in counselling and her extensive experience in youth work, she coordinates all phases of the projects, from preparation to final evaluation. She is responsible for team management, participant support and quality monitoring, ensuring safe, inclusive and participatory learning environments. Her strong empathy and ability to analyse group dynamics allow her to respond effectively to both individual and collective needs, ensuring the achievement of the educational and training objectives of the projects.

Joe, a marine biologist, coordinates all projects related to environmental protection and sustainability. He holds a Master’s degree in Communication, which enables him to build and maintain effective, high-quality relationships with partners, volunteers and participants. He has several years of experience in facilitating international projects and contributes to the development of educational content aligned with European environmental priorities.

Laura and Gemma are responsible for the operational management of projects, overseeing the organisation of activities before, during and after the mobility. They manage participant arrivals and departures, logistical coordination and the organisation of local events. In addition, they actively manage the association’s social media channels, taking care of external communication, project dissemination and the visibility of activities at local and international level.

Furthermore, Gemma also serves as the treasurer of the association, being responsible for financial management, budget monitoring and administrative support, ensuring transparent and sustainable use of financial resources. Both Laura and Gemma actively contribute to project coordination and management, supporting the team in activity planning, participant communication and ongoing project monitoring.

Daniela acts as the secretary of the association and is responsible for maintaining contact with partner organisations, contributing to the development and consolidation of a strong international network built over many years of experience in the third sector. She is mainly involved in project writing and in the development of proposals for local activities. With a background in Sociology and a certified qualification as a youth worker, combined with strong creativity, Daniela brings versatility and innovation to the organisation's non-formal education and training activities.

The majority of the staff members have participated for many years in training courses and seminars on youth work organised by partner organisations within the Erasmus Plus framework, and they continue to attend new training activities every year to update and strengthen their competences. In addition, De Amicitia is supported by a group of qualified volunteers, trained by the staff, who actively contribute to the implementation of projects, bringing fresh perspectives, motivation and added value to all activities developed by the organisation.

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