



## VOLUNTEERING PARTNERSHIPS

### What are they?

Volunteering Partnerships are a specific project format designed for enabling experienced volunteering organisations to develop and implement longer-term projects. Volunteering Partnerships should also help enhance the quality and quantity of European Solidarity Corps volunteering opportunities. Projects should strategically respond to important societal needs, contribute to strengthening communities while enabling young people to acquire useful experience, skills and competences for their personal, educational, social, civic and professional development, thereby improving their employability.

Volunteering Partnerships can implement the same activities as Volunteering Projects. The same eligibility criteria and funding rules are thus applicable to Volunteering Partnerships. Please see the Volunteering Projects factsheet for further information.

### How does it work?

Volunteering Partnerships have been developed to provide organisations with a simplified and flexible alternative format for implementing volunteering activities. Volunteering Partnerships will thus be implemented through 3-year Framework Partnership Agreements. Applicants will be required to submit an overall project proposal laying down the objective, relevance and impact of their project, an overall description of activities over the three years and an indicative description of how these will be divided into annual targets. Successful Volunteering Partnerships applicants will then sign a Framework Partnership Agreement that will enable them to submit three annual grant requests for the duration of the project (2018-2020).

Successful Volunteering Partnership applicants cannot apply for funding under the standard Volunteering Projects.

### How to take part?

Organisations from an EU Member State apply to the National Agency of their country.

Deadline for applications: 13 September 2018 – 12:00 (midday Brussels time)

First deadline for annual grant request (successful applicants only): 16 October 2018 – 12:00 (midday Brussels time)