



*Volunteering
in Hameau des
Buis*



Experimenting transition in Ardèche, France



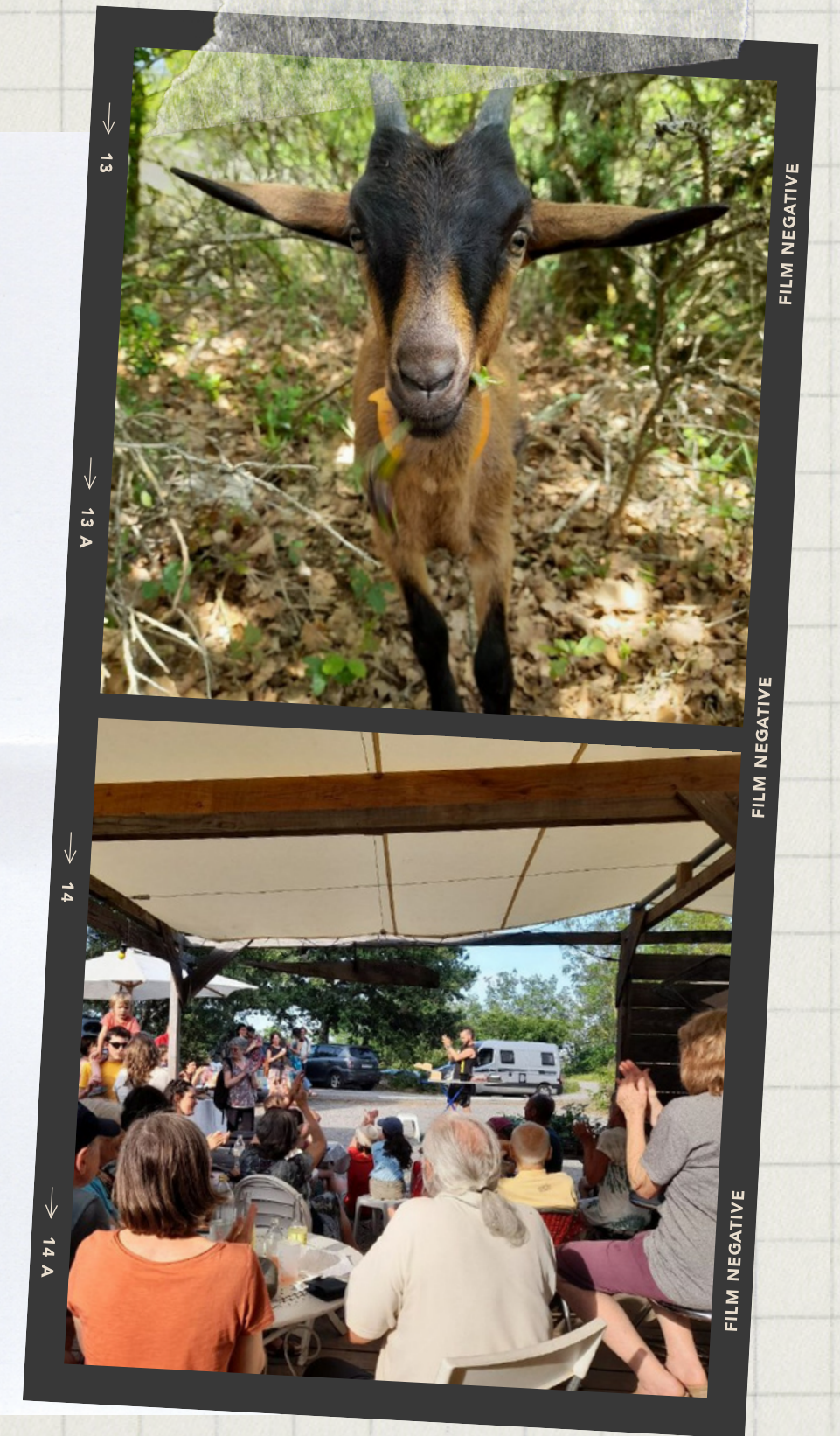
Hameau des Buis offers a **full immersion** learning experience in **rural living** and a space for collective creativity to imagine and **co-create** sustainable future.

Flexible dates from September 22 till July 23



The main topics of the project are:

- Intergenerational Community Living
- Farming and Agroecology
- Alternative Pedagogies
- Ecosocial Transition






The ESC project is based on youth participation in intergenerational community daily life, sharing activities with children and elders, animals and plants.

The volunteer program involves many of the skills and tasks needed for a self-sufficient rural lifestyle. Volunteers can learn about growing food, caring goats and chickens, making cheese, bread or natural products..., also about water management, alternative school, ecosocial events and collective living tools, as they can have the opportunity of improving their green skills according to their interests.



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The ESC volunteering will take place in Hameau des Buis, full member of GEN Europe (Global Ecovillage Network), located in the beautiful region of Ardèche (France). It was build between 2007 and 2011 during a participative building process, as an intentional community. The volunteers will have the experience of living in an ecovillage with its 20 bioclimatic houses and more than 40 habitants.

We are experimenting and sharing a sustainable world, also at a human level, making decissions through assemblies and doing restorative circles.





Volunteer Conditions

- **Free accommodation** within a bioclimatic house with dry toilet and shower.
- **Food Budget:** 8 euros per day, in 30 days are 240€. You will have a collective kitchen to cook with other people, or a small kitchen at your disposal.
- **Pocket Money:** 6 euros per day, in 30 days are 180€
- **2 free days** per week and **2 holiday** days per month.
- **Travel Reimbursement**, depending on the distance. You can calculate the distance band here: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resources-and-tools/distance-calculator>
- **Wifi connection** (not always stable)

Requirements



- Youth from 18-30 years old.
- Open and flexible cooperation.
- High motivation and interest in a sustainable lifestyle.
- French basic speaker or big desire to learn it.
- Respect our way of life, our organization, the timetables, the activities...
- Highly valued skills are flexibility, sense of responsibility, self-initiative and ability of working in a team.
- Availability to join our volunteer program for 6 months minimum till 9 months maximum, starting on September of 2022 or beginning October.
- Respect to the spaces, rooms and common places, keep them tidy and clean.
- Being open to live in a collective and surrounded by Nature.



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What to bring?

- Comfortable clothes.
- Swimsuit and towel (the river is 10 minutes walking).
- Hat to protect against the sun.
- Flashlights.
- Raincoat and warm clothes for winter.
- Comfortable shoes for working and walking outside.
- Home shoes: Inside you cannot use shoes.
- We recycle water, so you'll need organic shampoo and toothpaste. We can provide home made soap.
- We love animals but you can't come with your pet.
- Musical instruments if you want.
- Your special needs like tobacco, medication... the nearest shop is 10 kilometers away.
- We will provide sheets and blankets.



Other practical information:

- **Arrival:** The nearest train stations are Alès and Montélimar, then you have to take a bus to Ruoms or Lablachère.
- Please remember to keep all the original travel tickets and give them at your arrival for the travel reimbursement.
- Drugs are not permitted, and alcohol only in a responsible way. We remember that this is a **non-formal education program**.
- **Insurance:** We ask you to apply for the CIGNA Insurance, your sending organization will help you.
- **More info about HdB:** www.hameaudesbuis.org
- More info about the **European Solidarity Program** (you need to be registered): https://europa.eu/youth/solidarity_en

DO YOU WANT TO JOIN?

Apply here:

<https://forms.gle/zMcZLs4wX74trRb28>

After the selection process we will contact the selected ones for an online interview.

For more info contact to:
permaeducation@gmail.com

Thanks a lot for your interest!



Merci et à bientôt :)

