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CEV announces the European Volunteering Capital 2028 Jury

- ❖ **Zsófia Rácz** (CEV Board)
- ❖ **Miguel Salgado** (CEV Board)
- ❖ **Dominika Hradiská** (CEV Board)
- ❖ **Tine Radinja** (Mayor of Škofja Loka, Slovenia, and Member of the European Committee of the Regions)
- ❖ **Florian Marin** (Member of the European Economic and Social Committee)
- ❖ **Michael McNamara** (Member of the European Parliament)
- ❖ **Barbara Eglitis** (European Solidarity Corps Resource Centre)
- ❖ **Piotr Sadowski** (Member of the Standing Committee of the Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe)
- ❖ **Emília Santos** (Vice-President of the Municipality of Maia, Portugal)

The European **Volunteering Capital 2028** candidates are **Lleida (Spain)**, **Odder (Denmark)**, **Pilsen (Czech Republic)** and **Reggio Emilia (Italy)**.

The deadline for applications for the European Volunteering Capital 2028 was **June 6th 2026**. The information provided in the application form will count as 70% of the final score allocated to each candidate. 30% of the score will be allocated based on the video and the presentation of the candidature during the **CEV Autumn Volunteering Congress** event on **October 15th 2026 in Brussels**.

The jury of key personalities connected with volunteering, representing civil society, the private and for-profit sector, as well as the EU institutions, will assess the candidates. The judging criteria is based on their strategies, policies, and programmes in connection to the Blueprint for European Volunteering 2030 and to the CEV Volunteering Policy Statements. Evidence about their engagement with, and support for, the European Solidarity Corps when the applicant comes from an EU member state is also required. Applicants are also asked to indicate if they are signatories of the Integrating Cities Charter.

The winner will be announced **on December 1st 2026**.

The [Centre for European Volunteering \(CEV\)](http://www.europeanvolunteercentre.org) is the European network of over 60 organisations dedicated to the promotion of, and support to, volunteers and volunteering in Europe at European, national or regional level. Our **mission** is to provide **collaborative leadership** to create an enabling environment for **volunteering** in Europe. Through our network we work together to promote and support volunteering through advocacy, knowledge sharing and capacity building & training. In this way we reach out to the many thousands of volunteers and volunteer organisations in Europe as a source of support bringing the European dimension to their work.

The Call for the European Volunteering Capital 2029 will be published in February 2027 with a deadline June 2027.