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### CEV announces the European Volunteering Capital 2021 Jury

- ❖ Cristina Rigman, CEV President
- ❖ Isabel Caño, European Economic and Social Committee Vice-President
- ❖ Lucia Gurbaľová, Deputy mayor of Košice, European Volunteering Capital 2019
- ❖ Matteo Bianchi, Committee of the Regions
- ❖ Mary Ann Hennessey, Council of Europe
- ❖ Domenec Ruiz Devesa Member of European Parliament
- ❖ Begoňa Barberá Garca, Iberdrola Social Projects Manager, Employee Volunteering European Network (EVEN)
- ❖ Jutta Koenig-Georgiades, European Commission Europe for Citizens Programme

The two candidate municipalities for **European Volunteering Capital 2021** title are **Berlin (Germany)**, and **Strovolos (Cyprus)**.

The deadline for applications for the European Volunteering Capital 2020 was on 11 June 2019. The information provided in the application form and video will count as 75% of the final score allocated to each candidate. 25% of the score will be allocated based on the presentation of the candidature during the Candidates Reception organised by CEV and hosted by the Permanent Representation of the Slovak Republic to the European Union on 20 November 2019 in Brussels, Belgium.

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 candidatures. The judging criteria is based on the recommendations in the [Policy Agenda for Volunteering in Europe \(PAVE\)](#) and the 5R policy priorities as identified in PAVE 5 year review "[Helping Hands](#)". How the [European Solidarity Corps](#) will be supported and promoted is also part of the criteria. The winner will be announced in Košice, Slovakia on 9 December 2019 [at the closing conference](#).

The [European Volunteer Centre \(CEV\)](#) 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. In 2013 European Year of Citizens, **CEV launched the European Volunteering Capital Competition to promote and develop volunteering at the local level**. The first winner of the competition to be awarded the title European Volunteering Capital in 2014 was Barcelona, followed by Lisbon, 2015; London, 2016; Sligo, 2017; Aarhus, 2018; Košice, 2019 and Padova 2020.

CEV is currently preparing the call for candidates for the 2022 competition to be launched in early 2020.

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