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## CEV Calls for Applications for the European Volunteering Capital Competition 2021

CEV launches the eighth edition of the European Volunteer Capital Competition.

The European Volunteering Capital Competition 2021 aims to promote volunteering at local level by sharing best practice and **giving recognition to municipalities that support and strengthen partnerships with volunteer centres and volunteer involving organisations in their communities in implementing the CEV 5R policy priorities for volunteering and the recommendations of the Policy Agenda for Volunteering in Europe (PAVE)**. The winning municipality will be granted the title of “European Volunteering Capital 2021” and will be promoted as such during 2020 and 2021 throughout Europe and beyond. The winners and candidates will have the opportunity to join a unique community of practice of municipalities (and other levels of local and regional authorities) that have expertise in, and a shared concern for, strengthening, inspiring and celebrating VOLUNTEERING and SOLIDARITY.

**Deadline for applications: 11 June 2019**

Find the [full call for candidates](#) and the online application [form here](#).

The information provided in the online form linked at the end of this document will count as 50% of the final score allocated to each candidate municipality. 25% of the score will be allocated according to a 5 minute video that will be submitted together with the written evidence. 25% of the score will be allocated based on the presentation of the candidature during the Candidates Reception organised by CEV on 20 November 2019 in Brussels (BE).

The awarded municipality is chosen from the candidates by an international jury of key personalities connected with volunteering, representing civil society, the private, for-profit sector, as well as the EU institutions. The winning municipality will be announced in December 2019, prior to the International Volunteer Day, at a ceremony hosted by CEV and the current #EVCapital Košice (Slovakia).

The winners from the previous editions are Padova 2020 European Volunteering Capital, Košice 2019 European Volunteering Capital, Aarhus 2018 European Volunteering Capital, Sligo 2017 European Volunteering Capital, London 2016 European Volunteering Capital, Lisbon 2015 European Volunteering Capital and Barcelona 2014 European Volunteering Capital.

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. 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.

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