





European Solidarity Corps 2025

New voluntary position covering accommodation, expenses and allowance

Position: Seabird Conservation Assistant (1 position)

Dates: 21st January 2026 – 20th January 2027 (12 Months)

We are looking for a new full-time volunteer to join our international team protecting birds and their habitats and inspiring and educating people about birds and nature in the Maltese Islands. The volunteer will be based in our offices in Malta. Those who have previously participated in a long-term Erasmus+ European Voluntary Service (EVS) scheme or long-term Erasmus+ Volunteering scheme are not eligible to apply for this position.

Are you:

- Aged 18-30
- A citizen of one of the <u>programme or partner countries</u>
- Outgoing, friendly, keen to meet new people, socialise, and experience a different culture
- Interested in bird conservation and/or environmental protection
- Interested in improving bird, flora and other taxa identification skills
- Interested in inspiring and educating people about birds and the natural world
- Willing to develop administration, time management, numeracy and interpersonal skills
- Willing to learn and having an adaptable approach in line with the needs of a charitable organisation's structure including working flexible and occasional long hours, which could include weekends and public holidays.

The European Solidarity Corps programme will provide you:

- Accommodation in an apartment close to our offices in the northern part of the island close to our nature reserves
- Coverage of utilities such as electricity, water, gas and internet

- Reimbursement of the flight and other transport costs (bus, train, metro) to/from Malta, up to a certain limit
- €380 monthly allowance
- Private HEALTH insurance provided by Henner

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The volunteer will take an active role in the Seabird Conservation team in the various conservation tasks within BirdLife Malta, oriented at seabird conservation and monitoring at various Natura 2000 sites, on land and at sea. Please note that a large component of the Seabird Conservation Assistant's work is fieldwork-based. As such, evening and weekend work is to be expected.

The Seabird Conservation Assistant will assist our Seabird Conservation team in research, conservation and public awareness work at various seabird colony sites and work based at the BirdLife Malta office, fulfilling the following duties:

- Assisting on seabird colony monitoring: ringing and taking morphological measurements (under local license), nest monitoring, call registrations at night, colony and nest searching. Colonies are often reached through rope access and abseiling cliffs (even at night)
- Sea surveys of seabird colonies by boat and kayak, even at night
- Assisting on specific outreach and questionnaires with fishermen
- Predator management (biosecurity and rat control)
- Assisting on engagement with boat users for purposes of biosecurity
- Public awareness activities about seabird conservation: events, talks, public outreach in colony sites to increase awareness among site users
- Public outreach to increase awareness among project site users, boat users and fishers
- Inputting, processing and analysing collected data (Excel, ArcGIS, R)
- Assisting in the preparation of reports
- Assisting in the update of media contents in website, newsletter blog, Facebook and others
- Assisting in the organisation of stakeholder meetings, events and workshops.

TO APPLY

Please download and fill in the <u>application form</u>, and return in PDF format to <u>ricardo.fernandes@birdlifemalta.org</u> with subject: **Application for ESC Seabird Conservation Assistant.** There is no need to attach cover letters or CVs. <u>Only</u> filled in application forms will be considered.

We highly recommend that you visit our website on <u>www.birdlifemalta.org</u> for further information before applying.

Applications close on Monday 3rd November 2025 at 2300 CET. Microsoft Teams interviews interviews will take place shortly afterwards. Please note that incomplete and/or late applications will not be taken into consideration.

