



Request for a Volunteer from a University

The “**University Volunteer Network**” provides human resources and knowledge resources, through qualified and experienced volunteers from partner universities. These volunteers serve for six months in developing countries.

The Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (UAM) acts as the coordinating university of the Spanish University Volunteer Network currently comprising 24 Spanish universities. To date, 198 assignments have been carried out. This year, it is envisaged to field 45 volunteers to work towards achieving the MDGs in selected areas of Youth, education, health, environment and Information and Communication Technologies for Development (ICT4D) **with a relevant youth component**. The volunteers are to primarily support host institutions supported by UNV's MDG Facility as well as UN Projects and Programmes engaged in MDGs-related activities. The focus of these assignments will be on capacity building.

Instructions for completing this form

- The form should be completed as detailed as possible bearing in mind that the Terms of Reference are aimed at student volunteers and not professionals.
- Host organizations should retain a copy of the form.
- The goal of this form is to provide pertinent information on the qualifications requested in order to recruit the best possible candidate for this student volunteer assignment.

Requesting Organization

Name: Ilustre Municipalidad del cantón Nabòn

Describe the role/mandate of the organization

Year of establishment: 1987

Size of organization: 50 persons

Number of staff: 4 persons

Other pertinent information: n/a

Field of activity: desarrollo rural local

Is your organization assisted/funded by other organizations/companies: USAID, WAAPONI.

United Nations Volunteers

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Terms of Reference

Assignment title: DESARROLLO DE TALENTOS JOVENES ENFOCADOS A LA INTERCULTURALIDAD

Expected starting date: June 2010

Preamble:

As a United Nations Volunteers (UNV) assignment, this post is based on the values of free will, commitment, engagement and solidarity, which are the foundations of volunteerism. Volunteering brings benefit to the individual volunteer. It makes important contributions, economically, as well as socially. It contributes to creating social cohesion and capital, through helping to build trust and reciprocity among citizens.

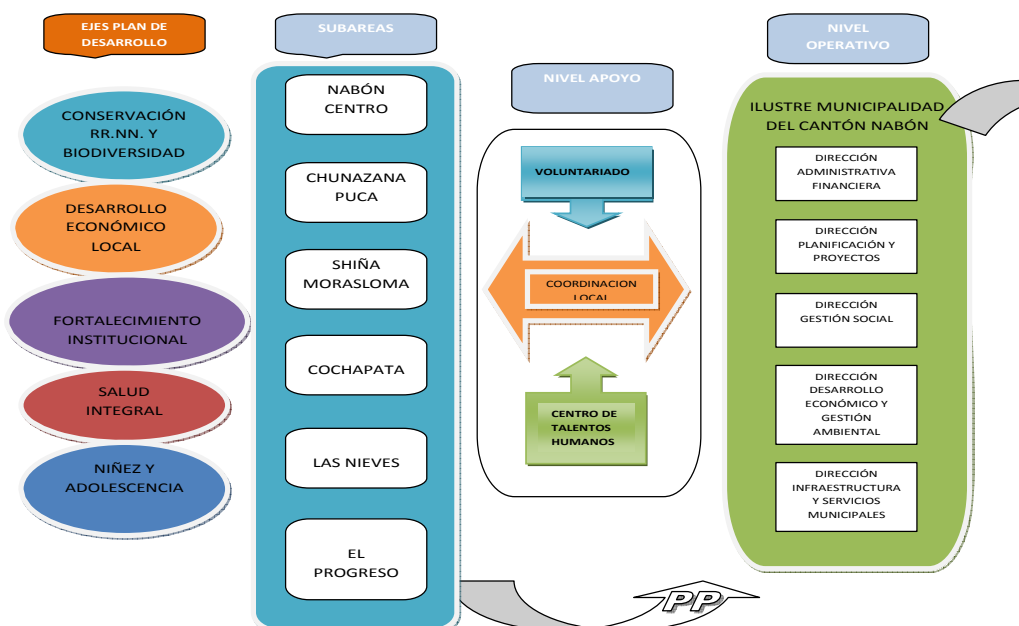
The United Nations Volunteers is the UN Organization that supports sustainable human development globally through the promotion of volunteerism and mobilization of volunteers. It serves the causes of peace and development through enhancing opportunities for participation by all peoples. It is universal, inclusive and embraces volunteer actions in all its diversity.

Volunteerism is diverse and is embedded in all cultures and traditions. In this context, as a United Nations Volunteer you are encouraged and expected to relate to local volunteerism and to be identified with the concept. You are expected to regard your national colleagues as peers and together uphold trust as volunteers among yourselves and within the communities and the organization you are assigned to.

Detailed Terms of Reference: (Please describe in as much detail as possible the services required from the university volunteer(s) and how his/her/their contribution will fit into the organization's plans.)

Nabon is characterized by its process development experience combining indigenous and peasants, but the cultural syncretism still suffers from building spaces that are needed to strengthen. Nabón is located south east of the province of Azuay, in the Leon River watershed of which belongs to the Cuenca Alta del Río Jubones. Bordered on the north by the cantons and Sigsig Girón, with Ona south, east Gualaquiza the canton of the province of Morona Santiago and the canton Yacuambi of the Province of Zamora, on the west by the canton of Santa Isabel. Poverty level considered by unsatisfied basic needs (NBI) is 92.9% and extreme poverty is 76.4% NBI. The municipality as a local government seeks to create instances of effective participation and viable mechanism there Sumak Alli Kawsay and generate better opportunities for both indigenous and mestizo population. Men and women alike, seeking to change paradigms especially in young population of the canton seeking better conditions for their normal development, physical and psychological.

The following describes schematically the level of support that the volunteer must provide:





Support is requested in the following fields:

Volunteers in **education** can provide assistance in teaching and tutoring. Typically, volunteers in **ICT4D** can help to develop and set-up websites and networks as well as databases, e.g. through the provision of training. In Panama, volunteers have helped to promote capacity building activities in the area of disaster-related education activities. University volunteers in **health** have helped to educate and raise awareness among Cape Verdian mothers in HIV/AIDS. In the area of **environment**, they have developed information material in disaster-related management.

The volunteer will be supporting the following area(s) of the MDGs.

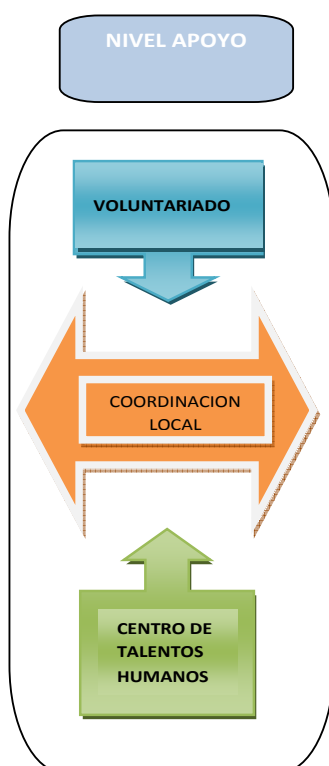
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger | <input type="checkbox"/> Improve maternal health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Achieve universal primary education | <input type="checkbox"/> Combat HIV/AIDS malaria and other diseases |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promote gender equality and empower women | <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure environmental sustainability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reduce child mortality | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Develop a global partnership for development |

Detailed description of the tasks to be carried out by the University Volunteer: secure payment support, tickets plane, per diem

Assignment target (i.e. capacity building impact): Development of local capacities in the field of intercultural (indigenous-mestizo). the municipality has a talent development center, a space that seeks to create instances of equity and effective participation through the recognition of cultural and historical value of the people of Nabón Kanari, canton which has the distinction of "Cultural Heritage of Ecuador".

The specific responsibilities of the volunteer (as indicated in the graph), would strengthen the participation of the local coordinators (local players) and to promote building plans at the center of talents, putting emphasis on environmental governance and gender (participation of woman).

Local coordinators are usually young people looking for the harmonious development of their communities, men and women who articulate the work of the municipality. Talents come to the center of leaders, men and women seeking to develop and enhance knowledge to generate more and better opportunities for participation by promoting effective governance. Here is necessary the participation of staff enabling a systemic vision of local development process.





Required Volunteer qualifications:

- Education: social sciences and intercultural local development.
- Language: communication skills in Spanish and ability to speak local language
- Specific skills in requested area: work with indigenous youth and children, mestizos. (e.g. related to youth, education, health, environment or ICT4D):
- Computer/software skills: basic computer skills.
- Additional skills: no problems of adaptation to the rural environment.

Other Information: All below fields are mandatory prior to clearance

A) Visa

- Please specify type of visa needed for nationals from Spain to enter your country:
 - ☐ Tourist visa (if yes, return ticket needed)
 - ☐ No visa or visa upon arrival at airport
 - ☒ **Visa before departure**

B) Accommodation

- Location of assignment: cantonal and rural center of Nabòn (Azuay, Ecuador)
- Nearest airport: in the city of Cuenca (two hours away).
- Type of accommodation¹: local residential or hostel
- Address: Del Civismo y Juan León Mera
- Approximate monthly cost of accommodation: US \$200
- Security provision and approximate costs: As a small town not need to set item for this rubro. A not referring to insurance coverage.
- Means of local transport for the volunteer: institutional or transport bus
- What other facilities will be offered to the university volunteer(s)? feeding and community tourism.

C) Local transportation

- Means of local transportation for the volunteer: transport bus
- Approximate monthly cost: US \$80

¹ The accommodation for university volunteers has to be compliant with the Minimum Operating Residential Security Standards (MORSS). It needs to be cleared by the UN Field Security Officer **prior** to the fielding of the volunteers.



D) Security provision

- Security provision and approximate costs:

E) Other

- What other facilities will be offered to the university volunteer(s)?

Signature on behalf of requesting Organization


(Signature)

21 de abril del 2010
(Date)

General Assignment Criteria

Capacity Building and Sustainability

The assignment(s) must clearly focus on capacity building (of local beneficiaries) e.g. on the application of ICT. An assignment which concentrates on e.g. ICT product delivery, like set up of a network or creation of a website, without close collaboration with local staff does not qualify. The target group of a particular assignment should be able to independently apply e.g. ICT for their purposes after the university volunteer leaves. Ensuring sustainability, further promoting volunteerism, as well as raising awareness about the Millennium Development Goals in the country of assignment are key criteria, which are common to all assignments.

Host Organization and Living Conditions

The host organization needs to demonstrate that it will provide a necessary enabling environment for the university volunteers so they can be productive from the start and sustain a positive performance throughout their assignment. This includes the provision of necessary (e.g. computing) equipment and if need be, connectivity. It also includes the identification of a direct supervisor for the volunteer.

After completion, please return this questionnaire to your UNV Country Office by fax, mail or email. Thank you!

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