



VERA Research Project

The Malta Council for the Voluntary Sector will be part taking in the VERA project, a European research project financed by the Centre for European Volunteering (CEV) to identify all the discriminating factors which hinder the involvement of volunteers in the voluntary sector.

This research is aimed to determine.

- The diversity within the voluntary sector
- The structural factors which limit involvement of volunteers based on their race, sex, ethnicity etc
- The policies and governmental limitations which hinder involvement of volunteers.

This research will aid MCVS to put forward new proposals to aid the growth and development of a more inclusive and supportive voluntary sector. More information can be found in the link below;

<https://www.europeanvolunteercentre.org/vera-call-for-proposals>

In an effort to attain reliable and accurate research with regards discrimination MCVS has set-up the following ONLINE focus groups for different VO categories.

Focus Group 1

Social / Humanitarian / Education / Youth VOs

Thursday 2nd November - 6pm

Focus Group 2

Arts/ Culture / Sport VOs

Friday 3rd November - 6pm

Focus Group 3

Environment / Animal Welfare VOs

Thursday 9th November - 6pm

Focus Group 4

Health / Disability VOs

Friday 10th November - 6pm

We are looking for the participation of **Voluntary Organisation administrators as well as volunteers**, hence we would like to ask VOs to circulate the information with your volunteers.

Participants will be remunerated with a €25 voucher. Your participation is highly encouraged.



Please fill this application if you would like to participate in this phase of the project.

<https://forms.gle/vPF9JYPVAk1Y1SDr9>

Please register your interest to participate by Thursday 26th October 2023
