

Regulation (EU) 2018/1475 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2 October 2018 laying down the legal framework of the European Solidarity Corps and amending Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013, Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013 and Decision No 1313/2013/EU

## CHAPTER IV

### PARTICIPATION IN THE EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS

#### *Article 11*

##### **Participating countries**

1 The European Solidarity Corps shall be open to the participation of the following countries (the 'participating countries'):

- a volunteering, traineeships, jobs, solidarity projects and networking activities shall be open to the participation of the Member States;
- b volunteering, solidarity projects and networking activities shall also be open to the participation of:
  - (i) the acceding countries, candidate countries and potential candidates which benefit from a pre-accession strategy, in accordance with the general principles and general terms and conditions for the participation of those countries in Union programmes established in the respective framework agreements, Association Council decisions or similar agreements;
  - (ii) those EFTA countries that are party to the EEA Agreement, in accordance with the provisions of that agreement;
  - (iii) the Swiss Confederation, on the basis of a bilateral agreement to be concluded with that country;
  - (iv) those countries covered by the European neighbourhood policy which have concluded agreements with the Union providing for the possibility of their participation in the Union's programmes, subject to the conclusion of a bilateral agreement with the Union on the conditions of their participation in the European Solidarity Corps.

2 The countries referred to in point (b) of paragraph (1) shall be subject to all the obligations and shall fulfil all the tasks set out in this Regulation in relation to Member States.

3 The European Solidarity Corps shall support cooperation with partner countries, in particular European Neighbourhood countries, in activities as referred to in points (6) and (11) of Article 2.