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Hey there! I'm Alper Can Aydın, and I had the incredible opportunity to be part of the SEM&VOL project in Cause, France, from November 14, 2022, to November 12, 2023.

The SEM&VOL project, based in Dordogne, New Aquitaine, is all about creating connections and contributing to the local community. It's a place where volunteers, like me, get to live collectively and dive into activities that are not just fun but also teach us a bunch of cool stuff.

During my time, I got my hands dirty with daily construction work—think masonry, carpentry, and environmental projects. But it wasn't all work and no play! I also had a blast organizing local intercultural activities, like creative workshops for kiddos and teens, getting involved in community events, and even teaching language classes weekly.

Beyond the tasks, I made sure to build connections with local associations and spread the word about the association and volunteering. From giving presentations to creating podcasts, I tried to bring some extra flair to our mission.

I wasn't alone on this adventure. I teamed up with awesome folks from Germany, Spain, Georgia, Italy, Russia, and Turkey. Our diverse backgrounds made the whole experience even more exciting. We navigated our tasks using a mix of English and French, making sure everyone was on the same page.

Can you believe it? I stuck around for a whopping 363 days! It wasn't just a short stint; it was a marathon of experiences and learning, both for me and the project.

Being part of SEM&VOL was more than just volunteering—it was a journey of growth, friendship, and making a real impact. Shoutout to everyone who shared this adventure with me, and here's to the lasting memories we created together!



