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Invitation

Eurosea 9

The European Sea Scouting Seminar

"Better Sea Scouting for More Young People"
Larch Hill, Ireland, 07 - 11 May 2008



Aims

- To develop the international dimension within Sea Scouting
- To establish a framework to celebrate the centenary of Sea Scouting
- To share best practises and ideas in the development of Sea Scouting

Objectives

- To produce an outline plan to celebrate Sea Scout centenary through the maximum involvement of young people.
- Set up a framework to encourage the development of international exchanges of ideas and resources.
- Agree a framework for continuous sharing of programme ideas and materials.
- To provide collective solutions and ideas for individual challenges or opportunities.
- To ensure that each participant has the opportunity to meet and discuss issues and ideas with colleagues from other associations.
- To elect new members of the Odysseus Group.

Dates

7 to 11 May 2008. Participants are requested to arrive on Wednesday morning, 7 May and departures are from Sunday, 11 May starting at 9:30 am.

Venue

Larch Hill Scout Centre. Scouting Irelands National headquarters and camp site located just outside Dublin

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Methodology

A wide variety of working methods will be used, including plenary sessions, audio-visual presentations, outdoor activities, case studies, group discussions, team tasks, workshops, exhibitions, and market place.

Social events

There will be some social activities such as a welcome party, international evening, sight seeing, sailing and a farewell party.

Languages

The event will be held in English.

Participants profile

- Members of national or regional teams responsible for Sea Scouting.
- Representatives from associations interested in introducing Sea Scouting, namely members of national or regional programme teams or similar bodies.
- There is no age limit for this event.
- Able to communicate well in English.

Number of participants

The event is designed to accept up to 60 participants.

Priority will be given to have the largest number of different Associations represented.

Applications

The enclosed application form, or photocopies, should be mailed or faxed to the World Scout Bureau - European Regional Office or e-mailed to europa@scout.org by **30 March 2008**.

If the application is sent by e-mail, please send it through your national office or international commissioner (to confirm the support from your national association). Applications received directly from individuals will not be considered.

Participation fee

The participation fee is 350 euros but is indexed after GNP.

The fee covers all accommodation and meals from lunch on the 7th of May to the morning of the 11th of May. It also covers all programme materials and documentation.

The participation fee does not include any health or other insurance or personal expenses, such as telephone and bar charges.

Bank connections and details for paying the seminar participation fee will be given to all participants in the seminar information pack.

Travel arrangements

Once participants have been selected (acceptance letters will be sent to national associations by 10 April 2008), they should make their own travel arrangements and obtain a visa, if necessary. If you require an official invitation to obtain a visa, please indicate this clearly on your application form.

Travel forms will be included in the information package that will be sent to participants in May. Participants arriving in Ireland earlier or leaving later and who would like assistance in finding accommodation (at their own expenses) or home hospitality should contact the host committee using e-mail address: odysseus@seascout.org.

Insurance

The WOSM - European Region does not cover the participants during the event neither during the travel to or from the venue. Please note that this is the exclusive responsibility of the national association to check and be sure that the participants are covered by an insurance (illness, accidents, repatriation etc...).

Preparation

Participants are asked to prepare a case study of best practises in their association to be presented to others at the seminar. If you wish to do so please indicate on the application form the title that you are willing to offer and provide a brief description.

Participants are encouraged to bring a workshop with ideas on how we can celebrate 100 years of Sea Scouting in 2010. If you wish to do so please indicate on the application form the title of the workshop that you are willing to offer and provide a brief description.

Climate

Participants should expect temperature of approximately 14-17°C and occasional rain.

What to bring

- Scout uniform
- Sleeping bag, towels
- Casual clothing
- Sailing clothing and shoes/boots; Life vests and all other safety equipment are permanently located in the training vessels
- Materials for the Market Place to present Sea Scouting in your country (e.g. photos, slides, videos, information sheets, maps, posters, fact sheets, results of surveys). Display panels will be provided to each country represented
- Samples of typical food and drinks from your country for the international evening
- Materials to run a Best Practice and or a workshop on ideas on how to celebrate 100 years of Sea Scouting

Planning Team

- Brian (SI, Ireland)
- Juha (GSF, Finland)
- Jenni (GSF, Finland)
- Jonathan (TSA; UK)

Host Committee

Kevin (SI, Ireland)
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Additional information

If you need any further information please contact the "Odysseus Group" via e-mail: odysseus@seascout.org.

Annexes

- Application Form

