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## EUROPEAN SCOUT CONFERENCE

### Celebrate – Motivate – Activate

5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> May  
2007

The 19<sup>th</sup>  
European  
Scout  
Conference  
and the 12<sup>th</sup>  
Joint  
Conference is  
almost here!  
From the 5<sup>th</sup> –  
11<sup>th</sup> of May  
2007, we are  
looking forward to your active participation in this  
important event.



Did you make your bookings? Did you read the new  
Regional Plan? Did you have a look at the  
workshops offered?

Prepare yourself and download relevant conference  
documentation from:

[http://www.scout.org/en/around\\_the\\_world/europe/information\\_events/events/2007/12th\\_joint\\_conference/19th\\_esc\\_documents](http://www.scout.org/en/around_the_world/europe/information_events/events/2007/12th_joint_conference/19th_esc_documents)

Read more about the conference venue and  
Slovenia at: <http://www.europeanconference.si/>

## SCOUTING'S PROFILE

### Scouting Stamps

This year, fifty countries in Europe are marking  
Scouting's centenary by issuing a special  
commemorative EUROPA stamp.

EUROPA stamps are among the most collected and  
most popular stamps in the world. Since they were  
first issued in 1956, EUROPA stamps have been a  
symbol of Europe's desire for close integration and  
co-operation.

The Region is working in co-operation with  
PostEurope ([www.posteurop.org/europa](http://www.posteurop.org/europa)) to support  
you and national postal operators to exploit the  
potential of the EUROPA stamps.

We will be presenting a support pack and launching  
the EUROPA stamp best design competition at the  
European Scout Conference on the 9<sup>th</sup> May – more  
details will follow.

## Scouts and Erasmus Students Partner-up

2007 is not only the  
centenary of Scouting  
but also marks 20  
years of the EU sponsored Erasmus Programme.



WOSM, WAGGGS and the Erasmus Student Network  
have formed a partnership.

The aim is of this partnership is:

- To enable as many exchange students as possible to either start or to continue volunteering for Scouting and Guiding throughout Europe
- For Guiding and Scouting to engage with a new audience and so recruit volunteers
- To provide an opportunity for Guides and Scouts who go on Erasmus to continue their participation
- To increase the number of young leaders
- Where possible linking existing schemes which support Scouts in further education

Find out more at: [www.20erasmus.eu](http://www.20erasmus.eu)

## Mediterranean Crossroads: Migrations, Youth, Diversity, Cultures and Religions

Within the scope of the *All Different All Equal Campaign* of the Council of Europe Italy is hosting a project to enhance the dialogue between young people from Europe and the Mediterranean in the spirit of the themes of the Campaign. Specifically, the project will look at the situation of migration in Europe and how young people can make a difference on this important issue.

The project consists of a four-day flagship event, which will take place in Monopoli, Italy, from the 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2007. The event will focus on two complementary themes:

- Social inclusion of young migrants: What role should youth organisations and governmental policy play?
- Promoting the Campaign in the Mediterranean Region.

The event gives a unique opportunity to spread the Campaign to young people and youth organisations across the Mediterranean area. It is an ideal event for Scouts and NSOs to get involved in. Application forms, and more information can be found here:

<http://alldifferent-allequal.info/system/files/Mediterranean+Crossroad+s+Application.doc>

## AN ORGAISATION OF THE 21ST CENTURY

### Growth Network

#### Phase III

The "Growth Network", will be the on going outcome of the "Growth Project". This will enable all Scout Associations in Europe to be part of the network that will be set to serve as the sharing forum on growth and development.

The Network will be officially announced at the European Scout Conference during the presentation of the outcomes of the "Growth Project" and the "Growth Report". Associations will be invited to participate in the "official" inaugurating activity of the "Growth Network" the "Growth and Development Forum", planned to be held on the weekend 29-30 September 2007, the venue need to be announced.

The foundations of the "Growth and Development Network" will be based on the need to provide to Associations and facilitate for them a platform to share good practices (successful and unsuccessful practices) leading to the growth of the movement, as a continuous learning exercise. This will be in line with the strategy to facilitating a process accumulating to building tools for operating a lean and learning organisation, thus implementing WOSM's strategic priority.

Based on the requirements of associations that participated in the two first phases of the "Growth Project", the "Growth Report" will be used as a practical tool, which will be continuously updated and enriched with new examples of "good practices". The aim will be the expansion and the further analysis of the existing and possibly new growth factors as these may be identified in the process and the progress.

During the European Scout Conference 2007, Associations will be strongly encouraged to appoint individuals that will be participating in the "Growth and Development Network" and who will act as the contact persons between the Association concerned and the Region or interested other Associations. Of course, the members of the growth network will be strongly advised to also act in their Associations as the co-ordinators/leaders of the growth activities.

If you have any futher questions, please contact [ktauscher@scout.org](mailto:ktauscher@scout.org)

## THE LIFE OF THE MOVEMENT

### In Europe...

#### FOSE Reception at the World Scout Jamboree

2<sup>nd</sup> August 2007 at 11:00 a.m. at Hyland's House

The Friends of Scouting in Europe will gather during the World Jamboree at Hyland's House (the central point of Hylands Park – venue of the World Scout Jamboree) at 11:00 a.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2007.

This FOSE reception will take place in order to welcome new Friends, and to receive an update on the activities of the FOSE achievements in 2007. During this reception, information will be given about this years FOSE Gathering that will take place from the 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> October 2007 in Serbia.

David Bull, UK's International Commissioner and "Super Friend" – will organise the FOSE reception for the British FOSE and for all the Friends of Scouting in Europe who will be at the World Scout Jamboree.

If you are a Friend or would like to know more about the FOSE, you are most welcome to attend this reception!



### Brownsea New Centenary Camp will promote adventure and diversity in Scouting

1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> August 2007, on Brownsea Island, UK

Starting on Brownsea on 1st August, the New Centenary Camp is a unique opportunity for Scouts aged 13-18 from Europe and beyond. It brings together young people from many different backgrounds for 72 hours of Adventure, Scouting, and Community.

One hundred years ago, Baden-Powell brought 20 boys from very different backgrounds to Brownsea Island for the first experimental Scout camp. They camped together for a week's adventure and were a catalyst for today's 28 million Scouts worldwide.

The Brownsea New Centenary Camp aims to recapture the spirit and vision of that original camp by bringing together 250 Scouts from a wide variety of different faiths, cultures and backgrounds for non-stop challenges, fun and new friends, with adventures such as canoe safaris, coracle building etc.

There will be Scouting activities from the replica camp to global development projects, and a life shared with Scouts from diverse communities, the New Centenary Camp will be a very special camp for the participants.

By building bridges between different cultures, it hopes to be a catalyst to inspire future generations of Scouts to work for peace.

Check out the web site for more information at:

[eng.brownsea2007.org/events/newCentenary/](http://eng.brownsea2007.org/events/newCentenary/)

## UPCOMING DEADLINES

### **10th European Guide & Scout Centre Manager's Conference**

17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> October 2007 at Banska Stiavnica, Slovakia

Deadline: **30<sup>th</sup> May 2007**

Become an **autumn short-term staff** member at the Kandersteg International Scout Centre.

Deadline: **15<sup>th</sup> June 2007**

### **Training Commissioners Network Meeting**

13th – 16th September 2007, venue to be announced

Deadline: **1<sup>st</sup> July 2007**

### **Network Meeting for Guide and Scout Representatives to National Youth Councils and the European Youth Platforms**

19th – 21st October 2007 in Vilnius, Lithuania

Deadline: **30<sup>th</sup> September 2007**

## USEFUL INFORMATION

A Strategy for Scouting:

[www.scout.org/strat/indexen.shtml](http://www.scout.org/strat/indexen.shtml)