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Foreword



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Dear Partners and Members,
Dear Friends,

The year 2024–2025 was one marked by milestones and celebrations for the European Scout Region. Scouting is growing all over Europe, in numbers and in impact, demonstrated not just by projects and partnerships, but also by the stories told around campfires by Scouts of all ages and nationalities.

Supporting our Member Organizations in becoming more resilient in the context of rapidly shifting realities has continued to be a priority for our Region. The Organisational Resilience Forum on "Strenghtening Resilience of Youth Spaces in Europe", organised in partnership with the Council of Europe's Youth Department, has shed light on the true strength of creativity combined with preparedness and initiative, that Scouts bring in their own organisations and in society, when faced with adversity.

Peace education remains at the heart of Scouting in Europe. The "Voices of Change" project was launched this year, in partnership with the Erasmus Student Network and has provided numerous opportunities for young people to engage in dialogue for peace and become leaders in building a culture of peace. As Europe becomes increasingly polarised, young people are actively involved in their communities to bring social cohesion and build bridges instead of walls.

We are not alone in this process, and we have continued to work together closely with all our European partners. Young Scouts have spoken up for their rights and advocated for their values in the EU Youth Stakeholders Group, the EU Youth Dialogue, the European Youth Forum, the Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe and, most recently, Civil Society Europe. They have also shaped our Advocacy Strategy, which will guide our work in the upcoming years.

We have continued to work on reaching underrepresented communities and strengthening inclusivity across the continent. From closing transnational initiatives such as the SYSPUC project in Albania, Montenegro and North Macedonia to continuing initiatives such as the Ticket to Life project in Bulgaria and Romania, to supporting members of our Overture Network, our commitment is stronger than ever: To ensure Scouting becomes available to every young person everywhere.

The year 2024-2025 has also marked an important milestone in the democratic life of the European Scout Region. Representatives from our 47 Member Organizations established the direction of work for the next three years through a series of consultations, focus groups and events such as the International Commissionners Forum (Malta), the European Scout Symposium (Sweden) and culminating with the European Scout Conference, held in Vienna, Austria, in July 2025.

The 25th European Scout Conference, together with the 18th European Guide and Scout Conference, brought together over 500 Scouts and Guides from across Europe, as well as guests and partners from around the world. Through democratic participation, organisations decided on our priorities for the next three years, which are "Innovate Education", "Value Volunteering", "Guaranteeing Safeguarding and Well-being" and "A fit-for-purpose organisation". Resolutions put forward by our members have also emphasised a renewed commitment to youth empowerement, environmental sustainability, peace education, and strengthening our partnership between Scouts and Guides.

As we stepped into a new Triennium 2025-2028, we are energised by the power of young people to shape the world we live in, inspired by the strong leadership of our Member Organizations and grateful to our partners, donors and sponsors for their trust and support. More than ever, we remain committed to empowering the over 2.1 million scouts from across Europe to become ready for life.

Strategy for Scouting

Our Mission

The Mission of Scouting is to contribute to the education of young people through a value system based on the Scout Promise and Law to help build a better world where people are self-fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society.

Our Vision

To be the world's most inspiring and inclusive youth movement, creating transformative learning experiences for every young person, everywhere.

Three Strategic Priorities for the organisation

A fit for purpose organisation

As fit for purpose organisations we will champion democratic, transparent, accountable, efficient and innovative governance structures that reflect the reality, unity and diversity of our membership and a commitment to youth leadership. We will be financially sustainable, enabling the Scout Movement to expand and serve its growing range of local communities worldwide. Our income sources will be ethical and diversified, built on strong financial management and resource mobilisation strategies with partners and donors.

An adaptable organisation

As adaptable organisations we will respond to the needs and interests of the young people and communities we serve. We will foster innovation and accelerate digital transformation across all levels of our organisation. We will make informed decisions that strengthen Scouting's impact using rich data collection, evidence-based reporting and learning platforms to develop a clear and systematic understanding of our work.

An influential organisation

As influential organisations we will be a united, vocal and relevant actor defined by our values and clearly positioned as safe, impactful, and trusted. We will be leaders for non-formal education working with a strong network of partners and organisations who share our vision to empower children and young people to take on the world's greatest challenges.

Four Strategic Priorities for the Scout Movement

Innovate education

Scouting will inspire children and young people and respond to their needs and interests by providing competency-based learning experiences and continuously innovating our educational programmes. We will implement these programmes by strengthening the use of the Scout Method through digital and real-world solutions, by embracing the diversity of the Scout Movement, and by ensuring that Scouting is accessible, fun, rewarding, and engaging.

Strengthen diversity and inclusion

Scouting's membership will reflect the diversity of the societies it serves and lead the way to increase and broaden its reach into new communities. We will actively remove barriers, reimagine the Scouting programme, increase our reach, engage more diverse volunteers, and reshape our organisations to provide every young person with the opportunity to join Scouting.

Guarantee safeguarding and well-being

Scouting will ensure young people feel free and confident to be themselves by providing a safe environment for adventure where children, young people and adults in Scouting are healthy, protected and supported to grow. We will adopt a zero-tolerance mindset across the Scout Movement, to prevent harmful situations and work to strengthen safeguarding practices and all forms of well-being as essential elements to achieving Scouting's mission.

Value volunteering

Scouting will actively recruit, train, and retain a growing and more diverse group of committed and motivated volunteers to support the delivery of safe quality programmes through fun, meaningful, and rewarding experiences. We will offer more flexible and accessible opportunities, providing relevant learning experiences for volunteers to develop their competencies, to be used and recognised inside and outside of Scouting.

The Scout Movement





Empowering youth through volunteer-led, educational experiences

Scouting stands as the world's largest youth movement, engaging over 60 million young people, adult leaders, and volunteers across 200 countries and territories. As a growing movement embedded in diverse communities, Scouting addresses the needs and ambitions of young people through transformative education, skill-building, and leadership opportunities.

Guided by the Scout Promise and Law, Scouting offers a unique, non-formal educational experience through its core Youth Programme. This framework fosters personal growth, helping young people develop emotionally, intellectually, physically, socially, and spiritually.

In Scouting, learning is hands-on. Scouts develop the skills to become active leaders and engaged citizens through activities that span a broad spectrum – from outdoor adventures to community projects. These experiences prepare Scouts to tackle some of our world's most pressing challenges, from social justice and environmental stewardship to economic resilience.

Today, Scouting is growing faster than ever under the guidance of 176 National Scout Organizations (NSOs) and the dedicated support of millions of young people and volunteers worldwide. This commitment has propelled Scouting into a global force with an unprecedented reach, empowering a generation to build a better world through unity, leadership, and service.

60 million

young people, adult leaders and volunteers

200

countries across the world

176

National Scout Organizations









The Region in Numbers

At World Scouting, we are committed to supporting every National Scout Organisation (NSO) in reaching its full potential, ensuring that millions of young people worldwide continue to benefit from meaningful opportunities for growth and development.

WOSM Services, delivered by trained volunteer consultants and World Scout Bureau staff, provide tailored and expert support to our members where they need it most. This collaborative framework ensures that each organisation receives guidance, resources, and mentorship designed to meet its specific needs and ambitions.

As the European Scout Region, we provide this tailored support to all 47 National Scout Organizations (and 87 National Scout Associations) through WOSM Services.

We take this opportunity to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our consultants for their dedication and professionalism. Their voluntary service and commitment to supporting NSOs and NSAs in the European Scout Region continue to strengthen Scouting and enhance its impact on young people across the Region.

Regional Membership Data

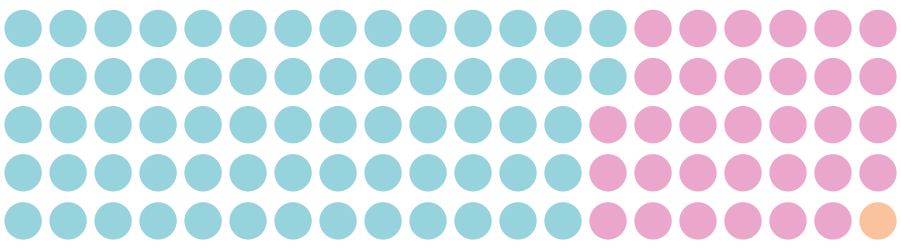
2,093,953
Scouts

47
Countries

81
National Scout Associations

88,568
Growth compared to previous year

Membership percentage by gender:



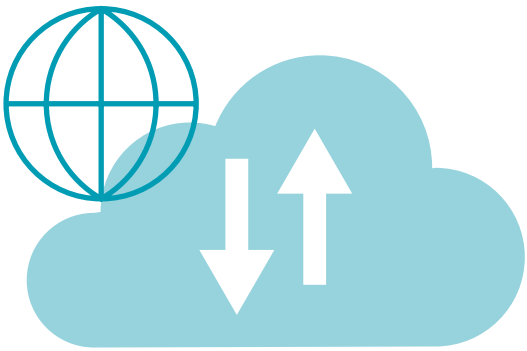
67 % male

32 % female

1 % other



Regional Services Delivery Data



72
European consultants deployed

75 %
of NSOs/NSAs benefit from a service

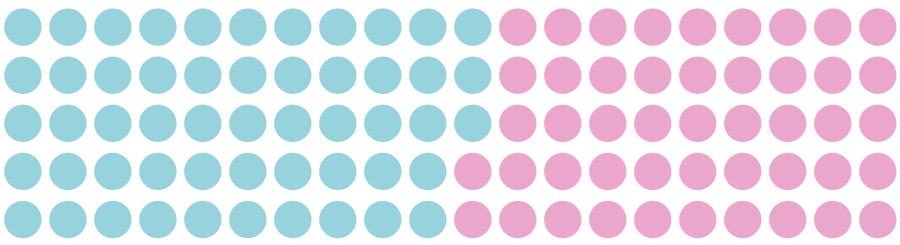
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WOSM Services delivered in 2024/2025

Operational Framework

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Volunteers

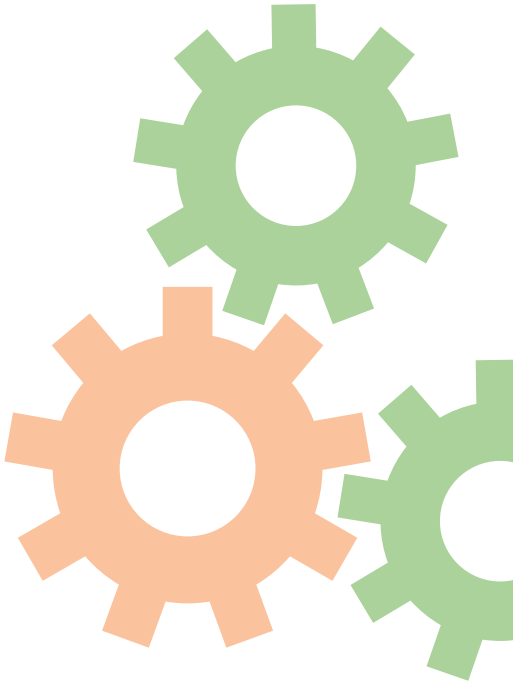
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Teams

2
Project-based teams



53 % male

47 % female

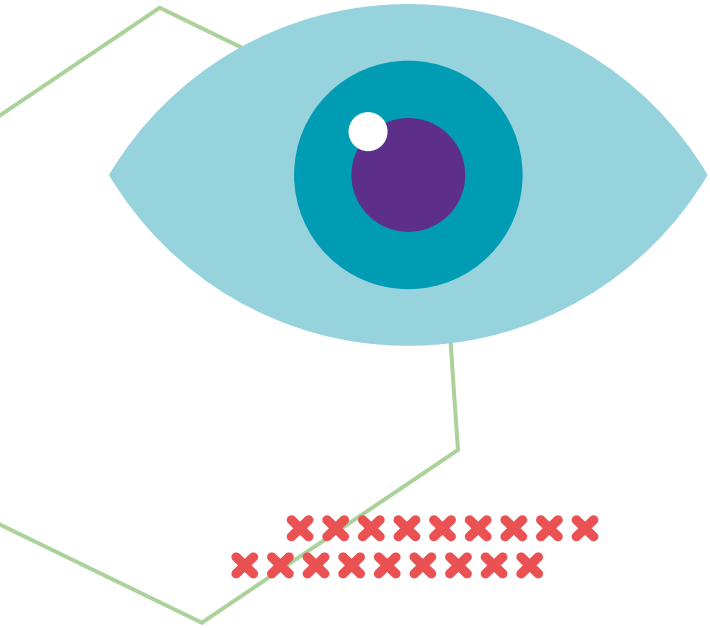


Regional Scout Plan 2022–2025

Our Mission of Scouting guides the Regional Scout Plan. It reflects the European Scout Region's active contribution to achieving Vision 2023, enabling 100 million young people to be active citizens and creating positive change by 2023. It also sets a strategic direction for the Region as a whole.

The 24th European Scout Conference, held in July 2022 in Rotterdam, Netherlands, adopted the new plan. This plan outlines three strategic priorities that will serve as our guiding lights until June 2025.





Organisational Resilience

The COVID-19 pandemic brought unprecedented challenges, reshaping our Scouting landscape and providing valuable resilience lessons. Despite its varied impacts, it reshaped our activities and perspectives, offering invaluable insights to fortify our organisations against future challenges. Our commitment to ensuring equal Scouting opportunities remains steadfast, exemplifying transparency, inclusiveness, and active participation at all levels. This commitment bolsters our internal resilience and contributes to the broader mission of global peace and justice. To sustain momentum for WOSM Vision 2023 growth targets and beyond, we'll devise strategies to welcome new members, fostering sustainable and equitable growth in the years ahead.





Educational Methods

To assert Scouting as the premier educational movement in contemporary society, we must deliver a high-quality Youth Programme that adapts to the evolving needs of our world. Simultaneously, we must prioritise the well-being and engagement of our dedicated volunteers, ensuring their Scouting experience remains fulfilling and rewarding.

We recognise the importance of addressing modern social issues, including the rising challenges to mental health and the opportunities afforded by digitalisation. We can effectively tackle these issues by identifying innovative educational practices and supporting our adult leaders while advancing our core mission.

Environmental Sustainability

Environmental concerns are urgent in our daily lives, affecting us directly or indirectly. These issues are our collective responsibility and significant for young people.

The Region will conscientiously assess the impact of its actions on the planet. We will explore avenues through which Scouting can contribute to environmental sustainability, utilising our educational content and advocacy efforts to foster positive change. Importantly, we will continuously evaluate and adapt our activities and operations to build competencies that promote environmental education and sustainable behaviours to respect our common good – the Earth.

Diversity and Inclusion



The European Scout Region has continued to strengthen its commitment to diversity and inclusion, with these principles firmly embedded in the Regional Scout Plan and shaping our identity as a Region. Over several Triennia, this commitment has evolved from targeted initiatives into an essential responsibility shared across all teams. Our work to reach underrepresented communities, including the progress made through the SYSPUC project, has further expanded accessibility and representation, ensuring Scouting remains open and welcoming to all.

SYSPUC

Strengthening Youth Spaces and Participation for Underrepresented Communities

Our achievements this year include key events and resources that empower volunteers to embed inclusive practices in their work. The 2025 Overture Diversity Network Meeting in Bucharest gathered 54 participants, as a peer network, to explore themes such as cultural inclusion, accessibility, and representation. Organised by Cercetașii României with the support of the Overture Diversity Network Steering Group and Ambassador, the meeting provided an important platform for knowledge-sharing through workshops, plenaries, and peer learning, contributing to a stronger and more inclusive culture across the Region.

Pieces of Peace: Building Capacity with Youth Navigating Conflict

Peace education remained a cornerstone of our efforts. The **Pieces of Peace: Building Capacity with Youth Navigating Conflict** study session, co-organised with the Council of Europe, brought together 24 young people from Scout and non-Scout organisations. Hosted at the European Youth Centre in Budapest, the programme addressed the need for innovative approaches to conflict transformation, social cohesion, and human rights education. By equipping young youth workers with practical tools to navigate polarisation and societal challenges, the initiative reinforced our shared mission to build inclusive, resilient communities.







Amplifying youth voices for civic engagement and community leadership

Another milestone was the launch of the **Voices of Change** project, implemented in partnership with the Erasmus Student Network and supported by Erasmus+. The project aims to amplify youth voices in community leadership for social cohesion. A first round of national dialogues in Romania and Poland took place in 2025, accompanied by the publication of the **National Dialogues Framework**, a practical guide grounded in the 10 Principles of Dialogue and aligned with the Dialogue for Peace approach.

Later this year, the project will gather participants in Kraków for **Community Actions BY Youth for Peace Education**, a capacity-building event focused on leadership, dialogue, and local action. In 2026, the programme will expand with a series of thematic lab sessions exploring the politicisation of youth movements and media literacy, both increasingly relevant challenges for youth across Europe and beyond.

Through these initiatives and continued dedication to inclusion, peace education, and youth empowerment, the Region remains committed to fostering an environment where every young person is supported, valued, and equipped to lead positive change.

Sustainability

Sustainability lies at the heart of our Strategic Priorities in the European Scout Region. We are committed to minimising our environmental impact while empowering young people and National Scout Organizations to drive meaningful change toward a more sustainable world. Our efforts are guided by two core objectives: strengthening the capacity of National Scout Organizations to champion Sustainable Development, and achieving climate neutrality as a Region by 2030.



Over the past year, this commitment has been reflected across our initiatives, partnerships, and internal operations. We have continued adapting our activities, operations, and educational approaches to embed sustainability in everything we do: from how we plan events to how we inspire Scouts to take local action.

A cornerstone of this work has been the Earth Tribe project, funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union, which concluded its final year of implementation in 2024. Since its launch in January 2023, the project has played a pivotal role in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through education, action, and youth empowerment. It has equipped young people across Europe to become active citizens, raising awareness about environmental challenges and inspiring tangible community action. Through national and local events, Scouts have learned practical ways to make a difference, from restoring ecosystems to reducing waste and promoting sustainable lifestyles.

2nd European Sustainability Forum: Empowering Scouts in Greece

From 16–20 October 2024, more than 60 participants from 28 European countries gathered in Greece for the 2nd European Sustainability Forum, an event dedicated to advancing Scouting's role in creating a more sustainable future.

Hosted by Πρόσκοποι (Scouts of Greece) and organised as closing event of the Earth Tribe project, the Forum offered a powerful space for collaboration and innovation. Participants explored pressing topics such as climate anxiety, carbon footprint calculation, sustainability in large events, and the importance of partnerships and education for sustainable development.







From strategy to action: Reducing our organisational footprint

Following the approval of the Sustainability Strategy, the Sustainable Region Team developed a comprehensive Sustainability Roadmap to guide operational changes that will reduce our environmental footprint. This has been accompanied by an updated Events Sustainability Checklist, helping us embed sustainability principles into every stage of event planning and delivery.

In partnership with Climate Action Accelerator, we conducted detailed calculations of our carbon footprint for 2023 and 2024, revealing how emissions vary depending on our activity levels and event calendar. Building on these insights, we are now exploring offsetting and insetting approaches, updating internal policies, and implementing new guidelines to ensure continuous progress toward our climate neutrality goal for 2030.

Highlights of the year



In 2025, Scouting in Europe continues to grow, reaching an estimated 2 million members, up 3.7 % from previous years. This milestone reflects the ongoing efforts of National Scout Organizations across the region to expand access, enhance programmes, and strengthen volunteer networks.

The increase follows broader global trends, with World Scouting projected to reach 60 million members worldwide. In Europe, targeted initiatives have focused on inclusivity and empowering young people, particularly girls and women, contributing to a more diverse and representative membership.

National Scout Organizations have implemented long-term growth strategies, improved programme offerings, and leveraged support from WOSM Services to rebound from challenges faced during the COVID-19 pandemic. The official census data, submitted by 134 of Europe's NSOs, provides insight into membership trends and the continued health of the Movement across the region.

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16TH WORLD SCOUT MOOT
SCOUT MONDIAL
PORTUGAL 2025



Thousands of Rover Scouts gather in Portugal for the 16th World Scout Moot

The 16th World Scout Moot concluded in Portugal after ten days of adventure, learning, and friendship that brought together thousands of Rover Scouts and leaders from across the globe. The event, held from 25 July to 3 August, offered participants aged 18 to 25 the opportunity to embark on unique expeditions across Portugal before coming together for shared activities at the central campsite in Idanha-a-Nova.

Organised by the Scout Federation of Portugal in partnership with World Scouting, the Moot provided a vibrant space for young people to exchange cultures, discuss global challenges, and develop leadership skills. Through a diverse programme of outdoor activities, workshops, and community engagement, Rover Scouts explored new horizons and strengthened their commitment to building a better world.

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David Berg appointed as 11th Secretary General of World Scouting

On 3 June 2025, the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) announced that David Berg from Belgium had been appointed its 11th Secretary General, following a global search and competitive selection process.

A lifelong Scout, Berg brings over 20 years of leadership experience in strategic growth, governance reform, and organisational transformation. Previously Chief Executive of his National Scout Association in Belgium (2006–2010), he most recently served as Acting Secretary General and before that as Chief Operating Officer at the World Scout Bureau.

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Scouts and Guides gather in Poland for The Academy 2024

From 22–27 November 2024, more than 200 Scouts and Guides from 35 countries gathered in Krakow, Poland for The Academy 2024, an annual event offering a platform to explore key issues shaping the future of Scouting and Guiding in Europe.

Under the theme The World I Want to Change, participants engaged in sessions on growth, mental health, inclusive leadership, communications, organisational resilience, volunteering, and crisis management. The event fostered collaboration and innovation, equipping young leaders with the tools and inspiration to strengthen their organisations and communities.

Hosted by ZHP – the Polish Scouting and Guiding Association – with the support of dedicated facilitators and organisers, The Academy 2024 was a memorable and impactful gathering. Looking ahead, the journey continues as the Academy will take place in Greece in 2025.



Rovers gather in Albania for Agora 2024

From 9–13 April 2024, 35 Rovers from across Europe came together in Tirana, Albania for Agora 2024, a unique event designed by and for young people. Over five days, participants engaged in cultural exchange, shared ideas to strengthen Rover Programmes, and explored new ways to empower youth in their communities.

The gathering fostered collaboration and dialogue among Rover Scouts, offering a platform to exchange experiences and shape the future of Rovering across Europe. Through interactive workshops, discussions, and community activities, participants left inspired and motivated to bring fresh energy back to their Scout organisations.

European Communications Forum 2024 gathers Scouts in Bulgaria

From 20–24 November 2024, over 40 communication professionals and volunteers from National Scout Associations and Organizations across Europe gathered in Bulgaria for the European Communications Forum 2024. The event provided an inspiring space for collaboration, learning, and exchange on how to strengthen Scouting's impact through effective communication.

Hosted by Организация на Българските Скаути with the support of the European Youth Foundation through the Council of Europe, the Forum explored key themes such as branding, strategic planning, emerging trends in social media, and the transformative role of Artificial Intelligence. Participants left equipped with fresh insights and tools to enhance their organizations' communication strategies and inspire greater engagement in Scouting.





Messengers of Peace

$50 million in renewed Messengers of Peace funding to increase impact of Scouting worldwide

World Scouting and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia have renewed the Messengers of Peace Fund with $50 million, supporting Scouts globally over the next decade. The initiative aims to inspire more than 100 million Scouts in 176 countries to take action as Messengers of Peace, strengthening National Scout Organizations, enhancing educational programmes, and fostering a global culture of peace through community service.

Signed in Riyadh on 13 April, the agreement aligns with the Sustainable Development Goals and Saudi Vision 2030, promoting youth leadership, peace education, sustainability, and active citizenship. Leaders present included HRH Prince Guillaume of Luxembourg, David Berg, and representatives from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the World Scout Foundation. The renewed funding will help Scouts reach more communities, equipping young people with the skills, values, and experiences to lead and create positive change worldwide.

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Study session strengthens resilience of youth spaces in Europe

At the European Youth Centre in Strasbourg, Scouts partnered with the Council of Europe Youth for a study session on “Strengthening Resilience of Youth Spaces in Europe.” The gathering brought together participants to examine the growing challenge of shrinking youth spaces across the continent and to develop strategies for addressing it.

Throughout the week, participants heard from experts including Rui Gomes, Head of Education and Training, and Tobias Flessenkemper, Head of the Youth Department at the Council of Europe, who shared valuable insights on the importance of protecting and expanding spaces for young people.

The study session equipped participants with tools and knowledge to strengthen their organisations and ensure that youth spaces remain vibrant, inclusive, and resilient in an ever-changing world.





736.000 Scouts from **164** National Scout Organizations

JOTA-JOTI 2024: Record-breaking year of connections and green action

JOTA-JOTI 2024 drew a record-breaking 736,000 Scouts from 164 National Scout Organizations, making it the world’s largest digital and radio Scout event. Powered by a new mobile-friendly registration platform developed in partnership with Accenture, the event offered an accessible and engaging experience for participants around the globe.

Under the theme “Scouts for a Greener World,” Scouts connected across borders to share ideas, take part in sustainability initiatives, and strengthen their global community. Highlights included the Hike the Planet challenge, the interactive Activity Hub, live shows, Minecraft sustainability projects, and the popular ScoutPass, with over 65,000 badges earned.

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International Commissioners' Forum 2024 strengthens collaboration in Europe

From 6–8 December 2024, Scouting and Guiding leaders from across Europe gathered in Malta for the International Commissioners' Forum 2024, hosted by the Malta Girl Guides and The Scout Association of Malta. Set against the stunning backdrop of Malta, the Forum offered a platform to foster meaningful connections, exchange innovative ideas, and chart the strategic direction for the European Regions of WAGGGS and WOSM.

Throughout the weekend, participants explored updates on ongoing projects and initiatives, reinforcing collaboration and unity across the European Scouting and Guiding movements – and beyond. The Forum highlighted the shared commitment of International Commissioners to strengthen partnerships and ensure a vibrant future for Scouting and Guiding in the Region.





Young changemakers gather in Budapest for "Pieces of Peace" study session

From 3–7 March 2025, 24 young changemakers came together at the European Youth Centre Budapest for "Pieces of Peace: Building Capacity with Youth Navigating Conflict," a transformative study session organised in collaboration with the Council of Europe Youth.

Over the course of the week, participants from diverse backgrounds engaged in discussions on conflict resolution, political polarisation, and societal challenges. Through dialogue, human rights education, and peacebuilding strategies, they explored innovative approaches to addressing complex issues in their communities.

The session featured contributions from guest experts including Tim Mortimer from KAICIID, who shared insights on the role of dialogue in conflict transformation, and Anja Jokić from the Advisory Council on Youth, who highlighted the importance of peace education.

European Scout leaders gather in Sweden for Regional Symposium

Over 70 Scout leaders from 31 countries across the European Scout Region convened in Höör, Sweden, for the European Scout Symposium. The event provided a platform for leaders to exchange insights on the challenges and opportunities shaping Scouting in Europe and to collaboratively explore the draft Regional Scout Plan 2025–2028.

Participants also prepared for the upcoming 25th European Scout Conference in Vienna, discussing strategic priorities and sharing ideas to strengthen the impact of Scouting across the region. The Symposium reinforced the commitment of European Scout leaders to work together and shape the future of Scouting for young people across the continent.

70
Scout leaders

31
Countries





Scouts celebrate Founders Day by promoting inclusivity across Europe

This year's Founders Day highlighted efforts to make Scouting more accessible to young people. Fifty-five participants from European Scout and youth organisations gathered in Brussels, Belgium, to mark the conclusion of the SYSPUC project, an initiative that has expanded access to non-formal education through Scouting for young people from underrepresented communities in Albania, Montenegro, and North Macedonia.

Over the past three years, the project has contributed to significant growth in the participating Scout organisations, demonstrating the impact of inclusive and accessible Scouting opportunities. Implemented with the support of Erasmus+, SYSPUC has strengthened the reach and inclusivity of Scouting, empowering young people across Europe to engage, learn, and grow.

25th European Scout Conference



Vienna 2025

25th European Scout Conference
Conférence Européenne du Scoutisme

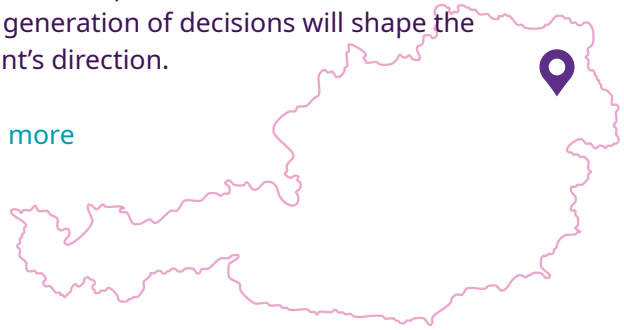
From 19 to 23 July 2025, over 500 Scouts and Guides leaders gathered in Vienna, Austria, for the 25th European Scout Conference. Held alongside the 18th European Guide and Scout Conference, the event brought together National Scout Organizations from across the continent to reflect, plan, and celebrate the future of Scouting and Guiding in Europe.



A major highlight of the European Scout Conference was the adoption of the new European Regional Scout Plan 2025–2028, focused on education, safeguarding, and volunteering. Delegates also passed key resolutions affirming the Region's commitment to peace education, environmental sustainability, and joint work with the Europe Region WAGGGS. These decisions will guide efforts to strengthen youth leadership, promote inclusive learning, and advance collaboration through initiatives like the Joint Action Plan and Azimuth.

The Conference also elected the new European Scout Committee and brought exciting announcements about the future of European Scouting events. Switzerland was confirmed as the host of Roverway 2028, promising an unforgettable experience for young people across the continent. Meanwhile, Italy was selected to host the 26th European Scout Conference, where the next generation of decisions will shape the Movement's direction.

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Meet in the middle
Vienna 2025


01
Strategy for scouting
and world triennial plan
VISION
To be the world's most inspiring and inclusive youth movement creating transformative learning experiences for every young person, everywhere.
A peaceful and inclusive world
A world shaped by youth
A sustainable world
IMPACT STATEMENTS
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES MOVEMENT
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ORGANISATION







Advocacy highlights



We ensured our continued engagement in all high-level youth policy-related processes in Europe. We strengthened our presence in the main European institutions, including the European Union and the Council of Europe.

We were selected to be part of the EU Youth Stakeholders Group and contributed to the setup of the group as well as to a Policy Impact Dialogue meeting with the EU Commissioner on Youth.

We actively engaged with DG ECHO, the Humanitarian and Crisis Preparedness arm of the European Union, bringing a youth perspective and consulting on current processes ongoing within the EU.

We continued our engagement in the EU Youth Dialogue. We participated in two successful election processes, enabling our young representatives to join the board of the European Youth Forum, Caillum Hedderman, and the Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe, Max Ternes.

Over the past year, we have reviewed our participation in external policy platforms. We decided to activate our membership in Civil Society Europe, which supports the common coordination among different European sectors in civil society.

A significant milestone was reached with the adoption of an advocacy strategy for the European Scout Region. This strategy, in conjunction with the Regional Scout Plan 2025–2028, now paves the way for the future external engagements and policy-related work of the Region.




YOUTH
EMPOWERMENT

Impact Stories:



Austria

- Over 1,500 Scouts spread the Peace Light across Europe and beyond



Bosnia and Herzegovina

- Investing in youth: Empowering the next generation of Scout leaders



Czechia

- Eurosea 2025: European Sea Scouts gather to share knowledge and skills



Denmark

- Brekkulegan returns to the Faroe Islands with international Scout camp



France

- PLANETE: Scouts in Africa and France leading change in peace, gender and sustainability
- Scouts on Watch: 45 years of partnership with firefighters to fight wildfire risks



Germany

- More than 2,000 Scouts celebrate friendship and change at Intercamp 2025 in Germany



Italy

- Italy to host the 26th European Scout Conference in 2028
- AGESCI National Training explores the future of leader training



North Macedonia

- How Scouting transformed Marin's life
- Empowering communities through Scouting: Elma and the Borenka project



Norway

- Over 10,000 Scouts gather in Gjøvik for Norway's first joint National Jamboree



Poland

- Year after year: Wędrownicza Watra carries the spirit of Rovering in Poland



Portugal

- Turning the tide: Catarina's journey against marine litter with "Apanha a Corrente"



Romania

- Scarf on a bicycle: Romanian Scouts lead a national movement for sustainable mobility



Slovenia

- Slovenian Scouts mobilise thousands in Kranj's annual cleanup campaign



Spain

- Scouts Respond to Devastating Floods in Valencia



Switzerland

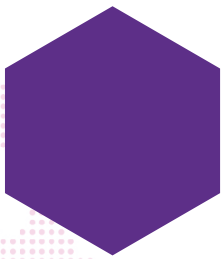
- Switzerland selected to host Roverway in 2028 under the motto 'Battasendas'



United Kingdom

- Scouting's future in the United Kingdom is driven by young people







Governance

The European Scout Committee, an elected body from the European Scout Conference, strategically manages the European Scout Region. Like a General Assembly, the Regional Scout Conference attracts delegations from all 47 Member Organizations within the Region.

The European Scout Committee is a dynamic team. It comprises six dedicated volunteer members elected for a 3-year term, alongside two ex-officio members – the Regional Treasurer and the Regional Director. Their diverse mandates span overseeing the implementation of the Regional Plan, coordinating policies, fostering strategic partnerships, and enhancing member engagement.



Members of the European Scout Committee for the 2022–2025 Triennium:

- Matthias Gerth (Switzerland) – *Chairperson*
- Diana Slabu (Romania) – *Vice-Chairperson*
- Martin Person (Sweden) – *Member*
- Boris Vujnović (Croatia) – *Member*
- Jérémy Apert (France) – *Member*
- Wouter Zilverberg (Netherlands) – *Member*

Members of the European Scout Committee for the 2025–2028 Triennium:

- Diana Slabu (Romania) – *Chairperson*
- Jose Pamplona (Portugal) – *Vice-Chairperson*
- Marta Concepción Mederos (Spain) – *Member*
- Joschka Hench (Germany) – *Member*
- Vojtěch "Fišer" Olbrecht (Czechia) – *Member*
- Allan Simpson (United Kingdom) – *Member*

The Ex-officio members:

- Abir Koubaa (Switzerland–Tunisia) – *Regional Director*
- Bo Holmström (Sweden) – *Regional Treasurer*

Committee meeting Croatia



The Coordinating Team comprises three Coordinators, a representative of the European Scout Committee and one of the World Scout Bureau-European Support Centre.

To support the overall coordination of the implementation of the Regional Plan, an Operational Framework is composed of over 80 volunteers from across the Region. This team is coordinated by a team of Coordinators responsible for:

- Harmonise and foster collaboration between various actions and initiatives.
- Mainstream the principles defined in the Plan.
- Monitor and evaluate the delivery process of the Plan.
- Act as an interface between the strategic oversight of the Committee and the actions of the volunteers within the Operational Framework.

Members of the Coordinating Team 2022–2025:

- Allan Simpson (United Kingdom): *Organisation Area of Operations,*
- Monika Woźnica (Poland): *Education Area of Operations,*
- Máire Fitzgerald (Ireland): *Innovation Area of Operations,*
- Martin Person and Boris Vujnović, *providing governance oversight from the European Scout Committee,*
- Radu Stinghe, Raül Molina and Goran Gjorgjiev, *providing operational support from the WSB-European Support Centre.*

World Scout Bureau Europe Support Centre



A team of professionals at the World Scout Bureau – Europe Support Centre is dedicated to assisting the Region's Member Organizations and coordinating essential operations. There are two European Regional Support Centres located in Geneva, Switzerland, and Brussels, Belgium.

The operations of the Region are supported by a total of 15 staff members, one intern, two long term volunteers, and two consultants. Their work is organised into four key areas:

1. Educational Methods
2. Organisational Development and Institutional Support
3. Communications, Partnerships, and Fundraising
4. Administration and Finance

Meet the staff team:

- Bagshaw, Sian (United Kingdom):
  Senior Manager, Organisational Culture and Effectiveness (EDI)
- Boni, Tilemachos (Greece):
  Senior Manager, Resources Mobilisation and Strategic Partnerships
- Dediu, Andra-Elena (Romania):
  Officer, Project Management and Membership Development
- Elsayed, Omar (Egypt):
  Volunteer, Project Support and Event Management (from April 2025)
- Gjorgjiev, Goran (North Macedonia):
  Senior Manager, Strategic Coordination and Organisational Development
- Graham, Hannah (United Kingdom):
  Manager, Advocacy, Policy and Campaigns (until March 2025)
- Imperadrice, Federica (Italy):
  Officer, Project Management and Quality Assurance
- Jeanrenaud, André (Switzerland):
  Team Support Executive (until May 2025)
- Koubaa, Abir (Switzerland-Tunisia):
  Regional Director
- Lundbye, Louise (Denmark):
  Officer, Project Support and Event Management (until August 2025)
- Mioni, Chiara (Italy):
  Volunteer, Project Support and Event Management (until January 2025)
- Molina, Raül (Spain):
  Director, Scouting Development (until September 2025)
- Nuga, Ayowunmi (United Kingdom):
  Consultant, Safeguarding and Child Protection (from March 2025)
- Nugent, Mary (Ireland):
  Consultant, New Geographical Boundaries
- Pérez Lema, Júlia (Spain):
  Manager, Communications and Marketing
- Schildböck, Rupert (Austria):
  Manager, Institutional and Constitutional Support
- Smykovska, Tetiana (Ukraine):
  Finance Account Executive
- Stinghe, Radu (Switzerland-Romania):
  Deputy Regional Director
- Talampas, Giselle (Philippines):
  Officer, Finance and Administration
- Vogelsang, Anne-Christine (Switzerland):
  Senior Manager, Finance and Administration

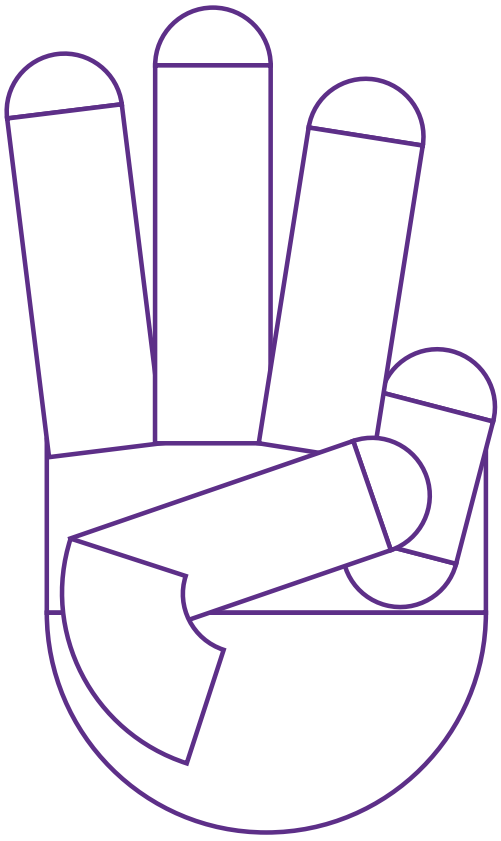




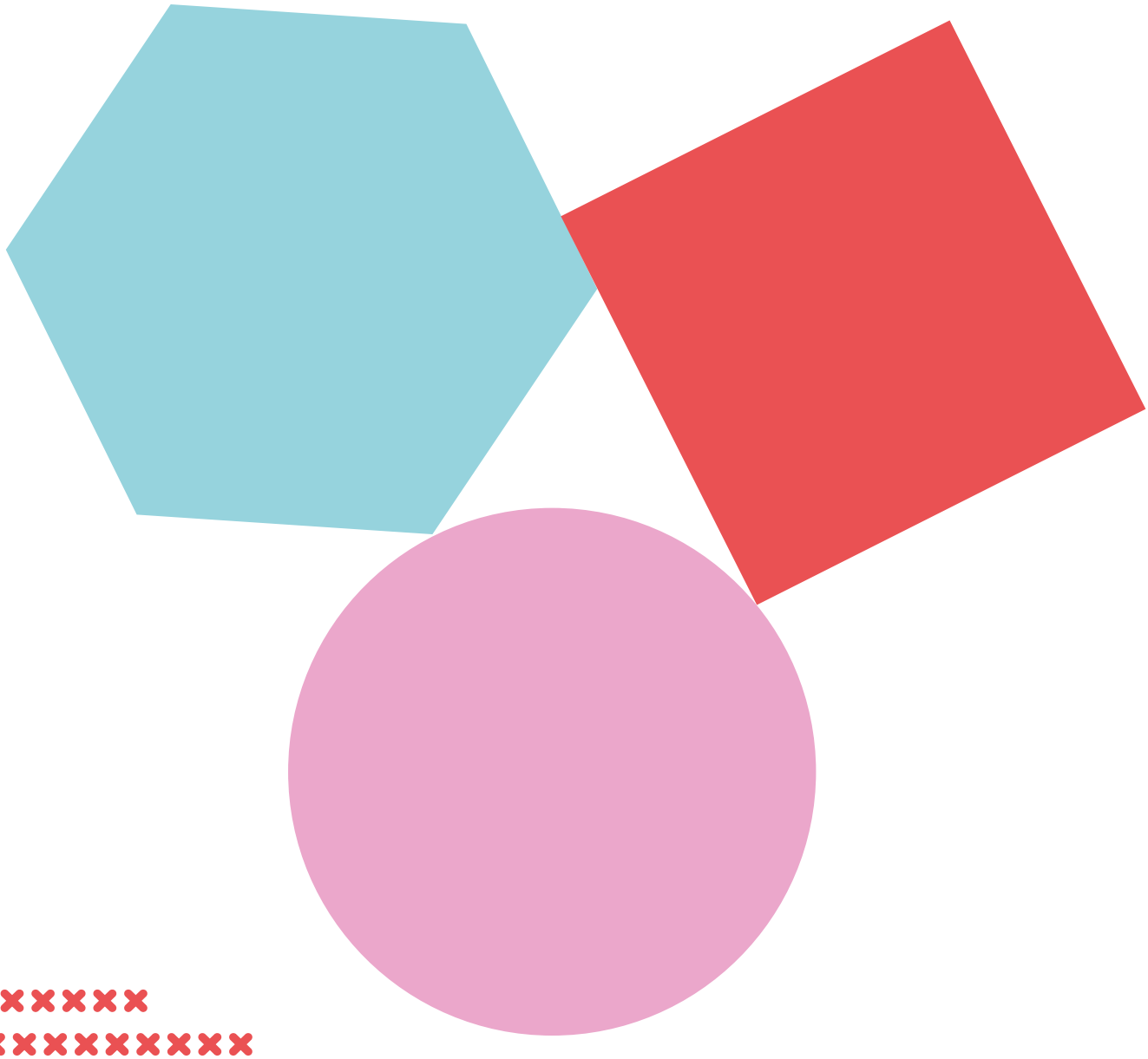






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