

# Invitation to **Eurosea 11**

## **European Sea Scouting Seminar** Copenhagen, Denmark, 19<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012



## **Theme of Eurosea 11**

"How can I support Sea Scouting?"

## **Ongoing aims of Eurosea Seminars**

- Developing the international dimension of Sea Scouting;
- Sharing best practices and ideas for Sea Scouting development;
- Promoting safe practices.

## **Objectives:**

- To provide a framework that encourages the international exchange of ideas and resources;
- Agree on a framework for continuous programme ideas and material sharing;
- Provide collective solutions and ideas for individual challenges or opportunities;
- Ensure that each participant has the opportunity to meet and discuss issues and ideas with colleagues from other associations;
- Share Sea Scout activity ideas;
- Set up International Sea Scout events calendar, with camps, sailing matches, training etc.
- Identify and elect new members of the Odysseus Group (see Additional information)

All of these objectives are tied to the seminar theme: "How can I support Sea scouting?"

## Who should attend Eurosea? (Participants' profile)

- Members or prospective members of national or regional teams that support Sea Scouting
- Representatives of national Scout associations and member organizations interested in introducing water activities, particularly members of national or regional programme teams or similar bodies
- Sea Scout and Guide leaders interested in international Sea Scouting
- Participants are expected to be able to communicate well in English and be capable of using electronic communication media (e.g., e-mail, Facebook)

## What can you expect?

- An active seminar, employing traditional Scout methods, "hands-on" activities and various opportunities for exchanges, in both formal and informal settings.
- Scouting activities; campfires, "walk the talk," and morning ceremonies etc.
- Time for informal idea sharing discussions and networking during scheduled coffee / tea breaks
- Facebook interaction with participants and staff before and after Eurosea

### **Dates**

## 19<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012.

Arrival: Participants should arrive on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September, *before 11:00 am*. Should be booked for Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, *after 11:00 am*.

#### Location

- **Spejdercenter Holmen** (Holmen Scout center); GPS Location: 55°40,31'N, 12°36,09'E < http://dds.dk/hytter/spejdercenter-holmen >
- The Scout centre is located on a former navy base in the Copenhagen city center, 1.200 meters from the *Christianshavn* metro station. The metro connects directly to Kastrup International Airport.

## **Address**

## The Danish Scout and Guide Association

Arsenalvej 10 1436 Copenhagen K, Denmark Telephone: +45 3264 0050

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## **Methodology**

A wide variety of working methods will be used, including plenary sessions, audiovisual presentations, outdoor activities, case studies, group discussions, team projects, workshops, exhibits, and a marketplace. Participants will also choose from parallel workshops.

#### **Social events**

There will be social activities such as campfires, an international evening (to be held outside around a campfire), sightseeing, water and outdoor activities.

## Language

The event will be held in English.

## **Number of participants**

- The event is designed to involve up to 65 participants.
- Registration priority is given to have the largest number of different associations and member organizations represented.

## **Applications**

- The accompanying application form (original or photocopied) should be directly mailed or faxed (email: europe@scout.org/ Fax nr. +41.22 705 11 09) to the World Scout Bureau - European Regional Office and / or emailed to europe@scout.org before 15<sup>th</sup> June 2012. If the application is emailed, 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.
- Acceptance letter will be sent directly to participants by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

## **Participation fee**

- The participation fee is **2.300, DKK** (Danish Kroner) but will be adjusted according to your country's GNP. At today's exchange rate (10-10-2011) that is € 309,12.
- The fee covers airport transfer, accommodations, and meals from lunch on 19<sup>th</sup> September to lunch on 23<sup>rd</sup> September. It also covers all program materials and documentation.
- The participation fee does not include any insurance or personal expenses, such as telephone and bar charges.
- Participation fees invoices and payment details will be sent to national association offices. The payment deadline is 31<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

## **Travel arrangements**

- Once participants are selected, they should make their own travel arrangements and obtain visas (if necessary). If you require an official invitation to obtain a visa, please clearly indicate this on your application form.
- Travel forms will be sent to participants in June. Participants arriving in Denmark earlier or leaving later and who would like assistance in finding accommodations at their own expenses should email the host committee: <a href="mailto:sailerboy@bigfoot.com">sailerboy@bigfoot.com</a>

## **Insurance**

It is your national association's exclusive responsibility to check that you are covered by an insurance policy for illness, accidents, and repatriation.

#### **Preparation**

- Participants are asked to join the Facebook "Eurosea 11" group <www.facebook.com/groups/218937511464342/>
- International evening participants should prepare a Sea Scouting or water activity game. The game should last no more than 10 to 15 minutes.
- There are 2 time periods for open workshops, as well as time for sharing best practices. If you would like to lead a workshop or discussion, please send an outline of the presentation / workshop to <a href="mailto:odysseus@seascout.org">odysseus@seascout.org</a> before the 15<sup>th</sup> August 2012.
- Participants are asked to bring publishable photographs of Sea Scout activities, events, and training. Please obtain permission/copyright clearance before coming to the seminar since the photos may be used on the European Sea Scout webpage or on Facebook.

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#### Climate

Participants should expect 13-17°C temperatures and occasional rain.

## What to bring?

- Scout uniform
- Sleeping bag, or pillow, blankets and sheets
- Towels and other personal toiletries
- Outdoor activity clothing
- · Water activity clothing and footwear; lifejackets and all other safety equipment will be provided
- Sea Scout or water activity-related games from your country
- Materials to run a best practice workshop or discussion
- Materials to present Sea Scouting in your country (e.g., handbook, photos, slides, videos, information sheets, maps, posters, fact sheets, results of surveys)
- National flag (in normal proportions ca. 100 x 150 cm)
- If you really want to, you can bring samples of food from your country for the international evening, which will be held outside around a campfire. There will be only 15 minutes for preparation, so please keep it very simple.

## Planning / Odysseus Team

Satu Raudasoja (Finland) Chairman Sjoerd Heeringa (The Netherlands) Vice Chairman Morten Haugstad (Norway)

Wiktor Wroblewski (Poland)

#### **Host Committee**

Ron Brown (Denmark) Coordinator Finn Petersen (Denmark) Lotte H. Molbak (Denmark)

## **Additional information**

- The seminar is open to anyone connected with scouting or guiding that wishes to attend and has the support of their Association/Organization.
  However only European region countries can nominate European members and vote in the elections to The Odysseus Group.
- If you need additional information, please email the Odysseus Group: <a href="mailto:odysseus@seascout.org">odysseus@seascout.org</a>, or the host committee: <a href="mailto:sailerboy@bigfoot.com">sailerboy@bigfoot.com</a>

## Seminar homepage

http://eurosea11.spejder.dk/

#### **Attachment**

Application form



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