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Invitation to **Eurosea 14** **European Sea Scouting Seminar** Barcelona, Spain | 5-9 September 2018



“Water - A Common Ground”

We in the planning team are thrilled to invite you to the 14th Eurosea in the wonderful surroundings of the International Sailing Centre in Barcelona. The theme of this Eurosea is “Water - A Common Ground” and we have chosen this theme to highlight the many ways we can, and do, use our wet surroundings. In this invitation, you will find all the practical information you need for joining this event. We look forward to seeing you in Barcelona in September 2018!

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:

- Building a multifaceted view of Sea Scouting in Europe;
- Promote DIY international Sea Scouting
- Share of best practices for Sea Scout groups organise international interchange;
- Friendship among Sea Scouts – friendship badge (first ones earned during the seminar);
- Providing collective solutions and ideas for individual challenges or opportunities;
- Ensuring that each participant can meet and discuss issues and ideas with colleagues from other associations;
- Electing new members of the Odysseus Group (see Additional information);
- Selecting the host association for EuroSea 15 (scheduled to take place in September 2020).

Who should attend Eurosea? (Participants' profile)

- Members or prospective members of national or regional teams that support Sea Scouting;
- Representatives of National Scout Associations (NSAs) and member organizations interested in introducing water activities, particularly members of national or regional programme teams or similar bodies;
- Leaders who would organise international Sea Scout activities (group to national) in the future & young adults;
- Sea Scout leaders interested in international Sea Scouting;
- Participants are expected to be able to communicate well in English and should be familiar with the use of electronic communication media (e.g., email, Facebook).

What can you expect?

- An active seminar, “hands-on” activities and various opportunities for exchanges, in both formal and informal settings;
- (international) Guests; professionals in safety regulations at sea and inland waters;
- Clues and Tips on “How to?” do an international Sea Scout activity, possible partnerships;
- Scouting activities; campfire, “sail the talk” and morning ceremonies etc.;
- Time for informal idea sharing discussions and networking.

Dates

5-9 September 2018

Arrival: Participants should arrive on Wednesday, 5 September 2018, *before 21h00*.

Departure: Return journeys should be planned for Sunday, 9 September 2018, *after 11h00*.



Venue of Meeting and Accommodation

- **Barcelona International Sailing Centre (BISC)**

Moll de la Vela, s/n
Parc del Fòrum (Sota placa fotovoltaica)
08930 Sant Adrià de Besòs,
Barcelona, Spain

Web page: <http://bisc.cat/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BcnSailing/>

Travel

- The closest international airport to the venue is Barcelona Airport BCN.

Web page: <http://www.aena.es/en/barcelona-airport/index.html>

Language

- The event will be held in English.

Number of participants

- The event is designed for up to 60 participants.
- Registration priority is given to have the largest number of different associations represented.

Applications

- The attached application form should be completed and returned to the World Scout Bureau Europe Support Centre, Geneva (europa@scout.org) **before 30 June 2018**. Please send it through your national office or International Commissioner (to confirm the support from your national association). Applications received without their association's endorsement will not be considered.
- Early birds may apply for support through Erasmus+.
- An acceptance letter will be sent to confirmed participants by **15 July 2018**. Please do not make any travel arrangements before that date.

Participation fee

- The participation fee will be about **EUR 350**
- The fee covers transfer from Barcelona Airport (BCN), accommodation, and meals from dinner on 5 September to lunch on 9 September 2018. It also covers all programme materials and documentation.
- The participation fee does not include any insurance or personal expenses, such as telephone and bar charges.
- Participation fee invoices and payment details will be sent to national association offices. The **payment deadline is 31 July 2018**.

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 Barcelona earlier or leaving later and who would like assistance in finding accommodations at their own expenses should email the host committee: accioescolta@accioescolta.cat

Insurance

- It is the participant's national association's exclusive responsibility to make sure that the participant is covered by an insurance policy for illness, accidents, and repatriation.

Preparation

- Participants are asked to join the Facebook group "EuroSea 14"
- International evening participants should prepare a Sea Scouting game. The game should last no more than 10 minutes;
- 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;



- There will be possibility to share best practices. If you like to share something, please contact odysseus@seascouts.eu before **15 August 2018**.

Climate

- Participants should expect temperatures around 20-25 degrees and occasional rain.

What to bring?

- Scout / Guide uniform;
- Towels and other personal toiletries;
- Outdoor activity clothing;
- Water activity clothing and footwear; lifejackets and all other safety equipment will be provided by the host team of Eurosea 14;
- 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. There will be only 30 minutes for preparation, so please keep it simple.

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Additional information

- The seminar is open to anyone connected to Scouting or Guiding who wishes to attend and has the support of her or his National Scout Association/National Scout Organisation or Member Organisation;
However only representatives of member organisations in the European Region of WOSM can nominate European members and vote during the elections of The Odysseus Group;
- If you need additional information about "EuroSea 14", please contact The Odysseus Group: odysseus@seascouts.eu or the local host committee accioescolta@accioescolta.cat

Event webpages

<http://eurosea.cat/> and <http://seascouts.eu/>

Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/Eurosea14>

Attachment

- Application form