

# Rover Centenary Paths Open Call for Path Leader







## **Rover Centenary Paths**

Scouting started in 1907 with what is now known as the Scout section, which was followed by the establishment of the Cub Scout section in 1916. During World War I, the need for a Scouting Programme for young adults arose, leading to the formation of the Rover Scout section in 1918. The term "Rover Scouts" was first mentioned by Baden-Powell in The Boy Scouts Head Quarters Gazette in August 1918.

Baden-Powell wrote a handbook for the new section, Rovering to Success, which was published in 1922. It contained his philosophy for a happy adult life as well as ideas for activities that Rover Scouts could organise for themselves. The Section celebrated its 21st year at the 3rd World Rover Moot in 1939.

Following the decision to celebrate the Rovers Centenary in 2018, which was made during the World Scout Committee meeting in March 2017, the European Scout Region, in partnership with Scouting Nederland, has decided to organise 10 Paths dedicated to an energetic and fantastic celebration of the Centenary next year.

We are currently looking for 20 Path leaders to design and lead these 10 paths! This is a unique opportunity to make an impact in the lives of many young people, so form a team and sign-up!

## About Roverway 2018

This European large-scale event for around 3.000 Rovers and Rangers aged 16-22 is organised by the European Regions of WAGGGS and WOSM and hosted by Scouting Nederland.

Roverway 2018 will be divided into three parts:

- 1 day for the Opening ceremony in The Hague
- 6 days in small international teams during "Paths" all over Netherlands
- 4 days of activities for all in the Central Camp in Zeewolde.

Roverway takes place from 23 July to 2 August 2018, with the Paths scheduled for 24-29 July.

Explore the <u>Roverway website</u> to find out more!





WOSM is organising **10 paths** during Roverway, with a programme based on the celebration of the Centenary of Rovering. Each path will be led by two WOSM volunteers selected through this call, and one or more Dutch scouts, who will support the leaders with administration, logistics, local knowledge and contacts.

Path leaders should apply in pairs, as each team will be composed of two leaders from the same country, in order to facilitate the communication and coordination in the preparation phase.

We're looking for open-minded, creative and passionate leaders who are enthusiastic about becoming WOSM volunteers and want to contribute to Roverway 2018.

### **\*\*\***All applications need to be approved in advance by your International Commissioner.

#### What we offer

- A multicultural environment where you will put practical leadership skill to work and gain experience around educational methods for Rovers
- Opportunity to make new friends from all over Europe and beyond!
- A chance to form a national team to prepare and deliver an exciting programme to 50 Rovers during the Paths and much more during the Central Camp
- An opportunity to work in a multi-faceted international setting
- Opportunity to discover WOSM and the European Scout Region
- Official recognition for the competencies developed during the process
- Learning by doing and a lot of fun!

#### We're looking for volunteers

- Able to communicate well in English. French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch or any other language are a benefit.
- Open to differences and be willing to work in a multicultural environment
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- Able to work at distance (project management online platforms, virtual meetings, etc.)
- Able to respect deadlines and to commit the time needed (see below)
- Being at least 23 years old by 22 July 2018
- Previous experience in an international environment is a plus: former participants in European Agora, YESS, IST at various international events or the Roverway 2016 European Routes are particularly encouraged to apply.





- 9 11 March and/or 4 6 May (Kandersteg) All Centenary Path Leaders' Meetings
- 22 29 July Opening Ceremony and Roverway Paths
- **29 July 2 August** For those who want and can, Path leaders are encouraged to stay for the central camp to support the WOSM volunteer team.

We are recruiting Path leaders with experience in designing and delivering relevant and exciting activities, appropriate to an international audience aged 16 to 22.

WOSM Path leaders will work closely with the WOSM Planning Team for Roverway 2018. Furthermore, there may be the chance to collaborate with other volunteer/staff from WOSM, WAGGGS and the hosting team from Scouting Nederland.

The Path organisers can propose activities in various thematic areas depending on their knowledge, experience and what you are passionate about and they will be inspired by the Centenary of Rovering. During the preparation, you will be informed about specific Centenary materials that have already been developed - they should help you to design your path.

WOSM Path leaders will represent the European Scout Region and its work in partnership in the preparation, delivery and reporting phases, and not their national organisation, even though we encourage you to bring your specific knowledge and expertise gained nationally.

## Financial contribution:

All costs related to this activity are supported by the Fund for European Scouting. However, a symbolic participation fee of **100 EUR** will be required for all those selected.

If you want to volunteer with WOSM Roverway Team, **apply online by 15 January 2018**! <u>http://rovernet.eu/site/roverway-centenary-route-application-form/</u> We will confirm the result of the selection process by the **20th of January 2018**.

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