

**THE ACADEMY
2013**



“An amazing learning experience in an intercultural setting in the heart of Europe”

The Academy 2013 will take place in Malle, a lovely learning centre in a green Belgian environment, close to Brussels from 29 October to 3 of November. Malle is a very cozy place where Scouting and Guiding can be lived at its best.

Suske en Wiske, two famous characters from a Belgian comic strip who are known as Spike and Suzy or Bob et Bobette in other countries, will take us with them to discover more about Belgium, her beauty and rich heritage. Our two heroes travel around the world with many objectives. This time they will take us through the European landscape to discover how we can learn, think and share, how we can challenge each other to create even better Guiding and Scouting for today and tomorrow.

The Academy is open for everyone holding a position at national level in Member Organizations of WAGGGS and National Scout Organisations and National Scout Associations of WOSM, from members of particular working groups to Chief Commissioners.

Most organisations will probably send participants that hold positions in specific areas of work. Previous Academies show that most participants are active in the field of governance (as commissioners or board members), in the field of Educational Methods (as trainers or programme commissioners) or in the field of representation (for instance in communications or advocacy). The Academy 2013 offers a broad range of sessions addressing matters of interest to all these different groups of participants.

During the event, participants will be able to choose from a variety of sessions per day and thus compose their proper training plan matching their own position and particular needs. A broad range of sessions dealing with different areas of work will be offered simultaneously. And there will be enough sessions on offer to make the event interesting for everyone.

You do not have enough free days allowing you to attend the Academy? Your professional responsibilities do not make it possible to take so many days off? You already planned your holidays at this particular time of the year? No problem. Because the Academy is a flexible and demand-driven event. Thus, the duration of the event can vary according to each participant's personal expectations, interests, and availability. However, all participants are highly encouraged to attend the whole event, enjoying and taking the most from the unique learning and sharing experiences the Academy will provide them with.

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The participation fee includes accommodation, meals and tea/coffee breaks, free access to the venue's facilities, as well as sessions' materials.

Further details are just a click away: Check out information available and register on-line on the Academy's website (<http://academy.europak-online.net/>) and follow planning progress and discussions on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/ScoutGuideAcademy>) and on Twitter (<https://twitter.com/thesgacademy>).