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WFIS-Europe is a Scout organization for independent scouts. We meet in camps, leader training and jamborees.

WFIS-Europe was created in 1996 and is an organisation under WFIS World-Wide.

Every scout organisation can join WFIS-Europe if they are not a member of another world organisation. If you want to know more about WFIS-Europe, please contact one of the members of the committee.

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WORLD CONTEST

25TH ANNIVERSARY LOGO CONTEST

Purpose:

The purpose is a contest to design a logo that will be used as an official image of the 25th anniversary of our Federation and be used for websites, documents and activities related to the 25th anniversary.

Requirements to participate:

1. Be a member of one of the WFIS Associations.
2. The design must fit into a space of 68 mm x 68 mm.
3. The design shall contain maximum 6 different Colours.
4. The design shape shall be round, square or rectangular.
5. The size of the file (.png or .jpg) should be below 3Mb.

Designs must include

1. The name of the event: 25 years.
2. The WFIS Emblem.

Designs which contain copyright images, graphic elements or artwork coming from clip art will not be considered.

Please understand that we cannot accept designs which do not respect the rules. Those designs will not be considered.

How to participate

Send the design to 25years@wfis.world with the following information:

1. **Designed Logo.**
2. **Name of the participant and year of birth.**
3. **Name of the Group and Association that you belong to.**
4. **Description or explanation of the design. Designs can be submitted up to 30 March 2021.**



In submitting a design, the participant agrees that the design becomes the intellectual property of the World Federation of Independent Scouts, and that they surrender their rights to the design.

HOW TO VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE LOGO

All designs that fulfill the requirements will be uploaded to the WFIS Facebook page. The design with the most votes (with the most likes) will be the winner. In the event of a tie, a selected jury will decide the winner.

Between 01 and 30 April 2021 you can choose your favorite logo on WFIS Facebook page.

WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON 02 MAY 2021.

Prize

The winner will receive a "Scouting for Boys" book or a "Wolf Cub Handbook" book, and in addition a surprise gift sponsored by the President of the WFIS to be shared with your Six, Patrol or Crew.



WORKSHOP 2019 - ROME



Caribù Pronta, ASCI (Italy) Merano3.

From November 1st to 3rd, the Assoraider's group of Rome, organized a meeting with all national scouts. The event was situated in the Camping Flaminio, near the city.

There were many scout groups: German, Danish, Spanish, American, from Florence, Vicenza, Merano, Rome and Civitavecchia.

The second day, the activities began, characterized by the workshops, such as: the possibility to create pop-up card, with pictures of Italy and Rome, Pizza and Pasta making workshop, the possibility to create a telegraph, games, organization of the campfire and a tour of the Capital.

During the evening, we had a multiethnic campfire, where all groups showed their Traditions, there were different songs and different customs, but all with the same concept, we are Scouts!





AUSTRIA



▼ Rudi (Golden eagle) -
Eurocamp 2022 Camp leader

EURO CAMP 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Scouting,
I am pleased that we can invite you to the Eurocamp22 in Austria. The camp will take place from 30th of July 2022 to 5th of August 2022. Of course, it's possible that you come earlier or stay longer. The camp side is reserved for WFIS Europe from 25th of July to 12th of August 2022.

You can find all the details about the camp side at

www.scoutcampaustria.at.

On Saturdays 25th of July and 5th of August there is a shuttle bus from the camp side to the railway station Vöcklamarkt.

For question about how to get there, please use the email address:

traffic@wfis-eurocamp22.com. Here you will get support on how to get to the campsite in Austria most comfortably and quickly, regardless of whether you come by train, bus or airplane.



SCOUTS OF EUROPA

<http://scoutsofeuropa.com/hp/>



The price for the camp is 187 € including meals from Saturday lunch to Saturday breakfast. If you choose the self-catering option, the camp costs 127 €.

Hers is an overview of the schedule:

- **Saturday:** Arrival and opening
- **Sunday:** Pioneering for scouts and rovers, cubs play at the cub play ground
- **Monday:** Activities for scouts and rovers, cubs play at the cub play ground
- **Tuesday:** Hikes and sightseeing
- **Wednesday:** Salty game for scouts and Rovers, cubs play at the cub play ground
- **Thursday:** Hikes and sightseeing
- **Friday:** International afternoon, you can exchange badges, scarves, introduce special things from your country and so on. Evening: End of Camp
- **Saturday:** Departure



We have developed the following hikes for you:

- **Hike for Cubs** to the Attersee and back, boat trip on the lake
- **For young Scouts:** Hike to the Schoberstein, 580 m elevation gain, and to the Mahdglupf and Dachsteinblick, 1.100 m elevation gain.
- **Hike 27 km** (6 hours), from the camp to Kogel, lookout tower Lichtenberg, Attersee and back to the camp
- **Hike 50 km**, from the camp to the tower Lichtenberg, Alpengesbad Mondsee and back to the camp.

You can do the following sight-seeing tours:

- **Trip to Hallstatt** (Salt mines)
- **Trip to Salzburg**
- **Ice cave Dachstein**
- **Trip to Gut Aiderbichl** (Animal sanctuary)

There is also the option of doing a high ropes course in the camp.

There will be a meeting point in every subcamp called "Dorfplatz". There you can end the evening around the campfire until 10 p.m., meet friends, get information, and so on.

We hope we have chosen a nice campsite for you in the middle of Austria and our program has awakened your longing to be a member of the Eurocamp22.

Please note that it can only be possible to hold a nice Eurocamp22 if everyone really helps and is actively involved.

There is also a camp song, this is currently being chosen. We will inform you about the camp song and also ask you to learn lyrics and also to sing so that we can form a scout choir of over 2.000 voices at the opening and closing ceremony.

We look forward to seeing you at the Eurocamp22.



GREAT BRITAIN



The Baden-Powell Scouts' Association

SILVER AND GOLD ON THE MISTY ISLE

The Isle of Skye may be known as the misty isle, but the four teams of Baden-Powell Scouts tackling silver and gold expeditions in August 2019 encountered everything from glorious sunshine to wind blasted and drenching rain.

The Baden-Powell Scouts' Association (B-PSA) was formed in 1970 and proudly embraces traditional Scouting skills, values and uniform. Our Scout (11 – 15 year old), Senior Scout (15 – 18 year old) and Rover Scout programmes are still closely aligned to Baden-Powell's writings in Scouting for Boys – and they align perfectly with the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. Every other year the B-PSA run their Discovery Award in wild country, and participants can choose to also use this as their qualifying DofE expedition. The Discovery Award is also open to Rover Scouts, who are aged over 18, and we also had two teams of Rovers in the hills at the same time.

Base camp was in Elgol, with stunning views over Loch Scavaig to the Cuillin Hills. On Saturday 3rd August old friends were reunited and new friendships formed as Scouts from as far apart as Bristol and the Northumberland borders gathered in Elgol. Sunday was acclimatisation, kit check and route planning day – and we thank the village of Elgol for welcoming us into their community hall.

Each team planned a circular route to include three wild camps and the luxury of visiting base camp with its portaloos facilities. Each team planned to start at a different camp site, with two taking a clockwise route, and the others going anticlockwise. This allowed teams to walk independently, but meet other teams in the evening at camp sites. All routes included a circuit of Loch Coruisk, a crossing of the saddle between Coire nan Laogh and Coire



na Seilg between the Sligachan valley and Loch Ainort, and a visit to the deserted village of Borerraig. Our host told us about the significance and impact to the island, it's people and it's economy of the village clearings of the 1850s, which gave the participants a far better perspective of the ruins in Borerraig. The DofE Scotland office provide invaluable information which helps with route planning and

safety for expeditions on the island.

In the spirit of leaving no trace of our journeys, all participants agreed to carry poo pots and bio degradable bags so that all human waste could be carried out of the expedition area and we didn't need to dig or disturb the fragile eco systems of the wild camp spots.

All routes were planned to cover at least 20kms per day, and wild camp spots included Loch Coruisk, the shores of Loch Ainort and Borerraig. The routes

provided a remote and interesting challenge to the walking teams through stunning scenery but always lower than 400 metres. They also provided an interesting challenge to our supervision and assessment team, which included three MLs and a paramedic – we opted to hire spot trackers to be carried by each team, so that as well as having remote supervision on the ground, our base control had an ongoing over view of progress.

All four teams had an amazing expedition, and their rigorous training paid dividends when planned routes needed to be revised due to heavy rainfall turning some streams into obstacles that couldn't be crossed.

At the end of the expedition we decided to give something back to the misty isle as our good turn, to thank the island



THE BADEN-POWELL SCOUTS' ASSOCIATION

<https://www.traditionalscouting.co.uk/>

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Baden- Powell Scout Association, UK.



and its residents for their warm welcome and hospitality. Access to the beach below Elgol is difficult from the land, but the beach appears to be a magnet attracting huge amounts of rubbish brought in on the tide and currents. So on our final day on Skye and despite expedition weary bodies, all participants and the support team undertook a beach clean.

The five huge sacks of rubbish that were man handled up the cliffs to remove them from the beach, included things as large as half a sofa and as tiny as the micro filaments of polypropylene rope that devastates marine life. A good turn – well done and well appreciated – and a great way to build an appetite for the farewell barbecue.

What lessons would we pass on to anyone planning to visit Skye for an expedition?

- Come well prepared – its almost impossible to buy any last minute expedition requirements on the island
- Scottish open access rules mean that magnificent routes

can be planned, but progress can be very slow across boggy moorland with no footpaths

- Mobile phone coverage is patchy at best, and largely nonexistent – supervision plans need to take this into account, and we found spot trackers a useful supplement
- Weather on Skye is unpredictable and bad weather planning is essential
- Water supply was plentiful, allowing significant use of wild camps – our participants used a combination of purification tablets and life straws successfully
- Wind and rain are a welcome respite from the attentions of the Scottish midge – don't forget to take repellent and midge hats.

Congratulations to the Scouts and Senior Scouts who completed their Discovery Award and DofE expeditions. I know how tough, rewarding and memorable an experience it will be, as I experienced it too as a member of one of the Rover teams.

CONGRATS NORMAN!

NEW CHIEF COMMISSIONEER BADEN-POWELL SCOUTS' ASSOCIATION UK



We would like to congratulate Norman Boxall for receiving an MBE in the New Year's Honours for Seventy-five years of Scouting.

In addition to that we would like to inform you that The Baden-Powell Scouts' Association UK has appointed a new Chief Commissioner, Mr. Norman Boxall.

Many of you will know Norman through his attendance at WFIS events and we wish him well in his new role.



PIONET... 2019

▼ Sandra Orebi

1ST CLASSIFIED

Association: Skaut - cesky skauting ABS

Country: Czech Republic

Patrol: Ibirinoko

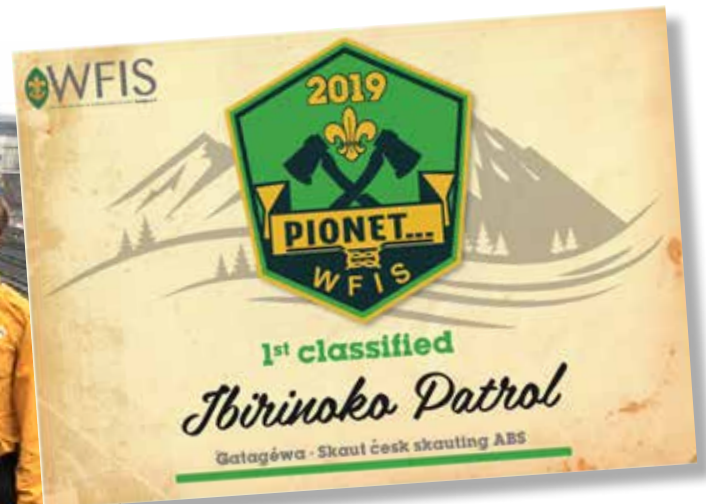
It is a pleasure to inform you that the winning Patrol of Pionet... 2019 is the Ibirinoko Patrol from Prague.

We are very happy about this experience, which involved

patrols from several countries. We hope to receive many projects in 2021 and more and more beautiful.

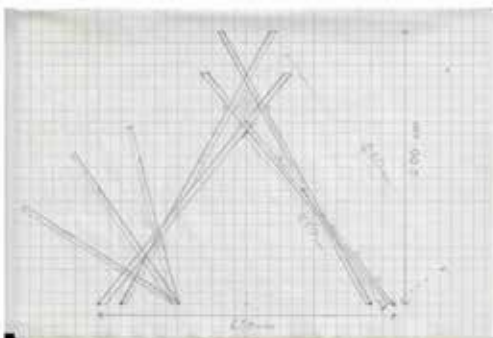
This kind of activity makes us feel part of a real European Scout fraternity.

The first two classified patrols, besides the diploma and a badge for every one, had also the surprise to receive a beautiful knife, with its case for each scout.



Gate

Original script:



Original script - Gote L



Idea: We wanted to create a gate which you would be able to lift on top of it and come up with an idea of gate made of two rectangles kept connected with cables. With a small bar on the top.

Material: We used up almost all metal tubes we used in the original script but we had to add 2 metal joints to connect the gates and make the two parts tight (great impression about material used will be at the end of this document).

Problems: We struggled to lift the gate and reform it because there were just a few of us and only one of us could touch the structure while others were holding it.

Methods: We made the two parts separate the gates. Then I had them up from them. After that we just finished up the cables and decreased the bars.

Participation of members on the project: Přemek made the original script and came up with the idea. This was organizing realization of the project. Ag, Anoušek the two Ag, Olda, Přemek, Míša a Kažanka gathered wood. Olda, Ag and Kikina cut and prepared ropes. All of us participated in wood sawing, wood preparation and project realization.

Dishdryer

Idea: We had nowhere to dry our dishes so we came up with an idea of simple dishdryer.

Material: We added more bars on the sides and made the main construction a bit wider (exact information about material used will be at the end of this document).

Work: As it is much smaller than the gate making of the dish dryer was pretty much straight forward we made the sides a the ground then bonded them in the end we reinforced the structure and done.

Participation of members on the project: Kikina and Agi came up with the idea. Přemek made the original script. Olda was organizing realization of the project. Ag, Kikina, Přemek, Míša and Kažanka gathered wood. Olda, Agi and Kikina cut and prepared ropes. All of us participated in wood sawing, wood preparation and project realization.

Notes:



Our Patrol – Ibirinoko

Members: Oida, Aji, Kikina, Pšemek, Kačtanka, Miša



Patrol foto (with group leadership)



Oida



Pšemek



Miša



Kačtanka



Kikina



Aji



Dishdyer 2





2ND CLASSIFIED

Association: A.S.C.I.

Country: Italy

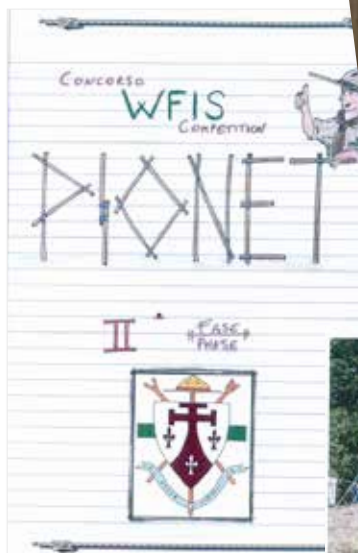
Patrol: Tiger

This is the correspondence between Margon Sørensen, one of the judges of the Pionet 2019, and the Patrol that won the 2nd prize:

*Hi Margon,
my name is Fabio Romanato and I'm from Italy.
I've received your box with the prize of Pionet2019.
I wrote an email because I haven't understood how
to give you this information. We all are very thankful
and we send you a greeting from Italy.
We hope to see you soon,
TigerPatrol*

Hello Fabio and Tiger Patrol.
Very happy too hear the parcel has arrived.
I hope you like the prize you won.
We would like to have been there presenting you
the prize but that is not possible due to COVID-19.
You have done a very good job, and I hope too see
you taking part in Pionet 2021 that will start soon.
Expect the challenge to be a lot harder this year.
Best regards and take care.

Yis
Margon Sørensen
1 President WFIS Europe



TO CONCLUSION ... A LITTLE SURPRISE

Do you remember our plans? Among them was the idea of making a flag hoist. Even if we didn't assemble it, our project was appreciated at national level and it was chosen and realized at the A.S.C.I.'s National Camp of the "good Track" lived in Casteldelci (RN - ITALY).

It's great to see a project come to fruition and to see that it works and how beautiful can be.

We attach some photos that somehow reward us for our effort. Thank you for your attention and good "PIONET" to everyone!

TIGER of the MERANO 3 Group
A.S.C.I. Esploratori e Guide d'Italia

PIONET... 2021



- > It's for all **European Patrols**
- > **2 phases** in which the Patrols will be evaluated
- > the Patrols will have to work very hard to win!

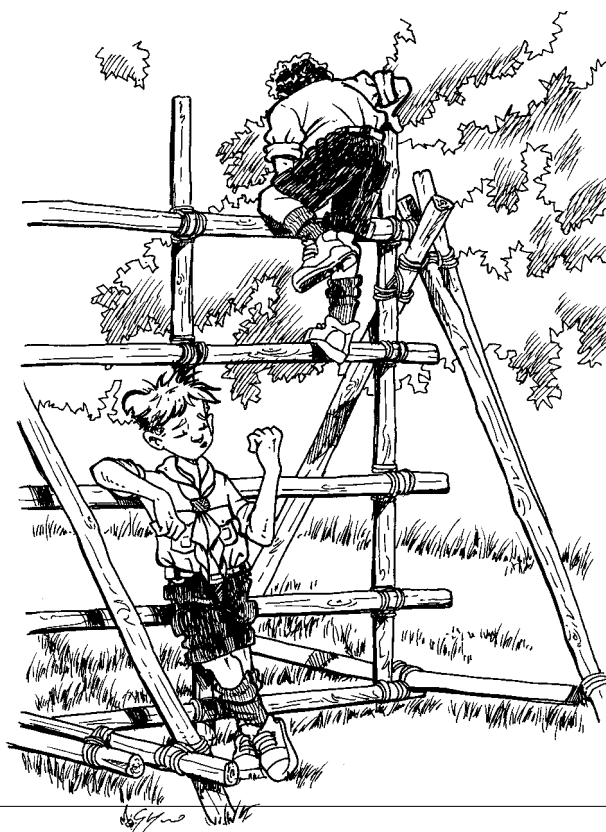
Let's start with the name...why PIONET...?
It is the union of two words:

PIONEERING (we won't even explain it, because if you don't know what it means ... your Patrol will not even be last !!) and

NET..., as network, it is meant in the sense of connection between several people, in fact, the activity of a Patrol is the sum of the work of its Scouts!

PIONET... is a pioneering competition for Patrols, with complex and elaborate pioneering constructions, with an adequate design, a perfect technical realization and an equally important presentation of the construction.

The final result will be the sum of the work of the Patrols, so the report will have to show in particular the contribution that each Scout has given.



THE ACTIVITY SHOULD BE DEVIDED INTO TWO PHASES:

1 First phase: (due to Coronavirus for this phase the Patrols can meet online with zoom or skype meetings or whatever they prefer): each Patrol must do a complete design of the structure and calculation of the materials and a report in English must be submitted, as detailed as possible, by **June 30, 2021**. The report must include the name, a photo and the role of each Scout in the Patrol.

All reports must be sent by email to:
pionet@wfis-europe.org

2 Second phase: realization and consequently, submission of a detailed report with photographs by **December 31, 2021**.

All reports must be sent by email to:
pionet@wfis-europe.org

The works will be evaluated by "professionals". The sum of the votes of each individual phase will provide the final classification.

There will be three prizes for the first three classified Patrols.

Each Scout that participated will receive a badge and each Patrol a participation certificate.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

An e-mail must be sent to: **pionet@wfis-europe.org** that says: "We are the XXX Patrol (and the name of the Association and Nation) and we want to participate at PIONET...!!!!"

Good pioneering to everyone !!!!!



NEW PROJECT

2021

HANDICRAFT 2021

- > **It's a project for everybody!**
- > **each work will be carefully evaluated considering the age of each participant**

This project can be done by anybody, from the youngest Beaver to the oldest Rover.

It is very simple, all it is to be done is a homemade handicraft, it could be a drawing, a pioneer model built in scale, or sew a leather sheath for the axe, or anything that is Scouting and that can be done at home during the long lockdown days/months.

There will be a winner and each participant will receive a participation certificate.

THE ACTIVITY WILL HAVE ONLY ONE PHASE:

Each participant must send by **June 30, 2021** a maximum of 4 photos of his/her handicraft by e-mail to **handcraft@wfis-europe.org** indicating: name, surname, association, group and, most important of all, the age!

Each participant may participate with only one handicraft.

So... start working! The judges are already waiting to see all your wonderful works!



We are all going through very difficult times. The pandemic has taken its toll on us and Scouting has been particularly affected, at least for its usual activities. We have been and we are still suffering, but we know that "A Scout smiles and whistles under all circumstances" so we didn't lose heart and went ahead, creating new proposals for our kids.

It would be nice and useful to receive articles about the activities carried out or that you will carry out during the pandemic, to be shared and used by other brother scouts.

The Euroletter does not have a periodic deadline, but the more material we receive, the more issues we will be able to publish, allowing us to stay in touch with each other.

We hope to be able to see you all very soon, in the meantime... please stay safe!



The articles for the Euroletter can be sent to: third@wfis-europe.org

