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#### To All District Commissioners & ADC (International)s

### European Scout Jamboree – 2020 (POLSKA) Gdansk (Sobieszewo Island), Poland , from 2nd - 13th August 2021

European Jamboree 2020 was scheduled to be held from 27th July to 6th August 2020 at the Gdańsk (Sobieszewo Island), Poland. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this Jamboree was postponed to **2nd - 13th August 2021 at the same venue**.

The Jamboree will include a new, inspiring Scout and Guide adventure in the summer of 2021. The European Jamboree returns to gather young people from all over Europe and the world in Gdansk, Poland to celebrate Scout and Guide values, strengthen international relationships and provide young people with the opportunity to meet and learn from each other. Sri Lanka hopes to be one of the few countries outside Europe to participate in this event.

A group of 15 Scouts, 2 Leaders and 8 International Service Team (IST) members were selected for the 2020 Jamboree. Most of them will be going for the 2021 Jamboree. There are <u>vacancies</u> <u>for</u> 21 Scouts, 4 Leaders and an unlimited number of IST members for whom we are NOW calling applications.

Please note IST is a work force, and will be assigned, by the organisers, to do a wide spectrum of jobs ranging from supervisory roles to manual labour. Only fit and willing Scout Leaders / Rovers with a healthy attitude should apply for IST. Preference will be given for leaders around or above 28 years and are physically fit.

The original group decided early in 2020, to use the Schengen visa, to undertake an Educational Tour within Europe. They will specifically visit Berlin, Germany; Rome, Italy; Vatican and Zurich, Switzerland after traveling around Poland, at least to Warsaw and Auschwitz. A special permission from the Ex-co has been obtained for this purpose. This Educational tour which will include visits to several key places in World History including the Epicenter of the Roman Catholic Church, Ruins of Ancient Rome, Many World War II important places such as the best preserved concentration camp, Berlin wall, several Museums and Warsaw which was near totally destroyed by WW II and how it has completely restored by a people with a will.

Applicants must indicate whether they will join the European Educational tour or only attend the jamboree & Poland tour (and return to Sri Lanka separately) – this fee will be calculated separately. Straight back home after Jamboree, be available if there are sufficient leaders (accompanying the scouts) who will follow the same path.

The entire costing cannot be done with accuracy at this time, due to the COVID-19 situation worldwide. We will calculate the lowest possible way to do this journey. This means leaving some flexibility on the dates. With this in mind the total amount would be around LKR 474,837/- The approximate dates of the trip would be 01/08/2021 to 23/08/2021.

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### Eligibility:

	Category	Age	Registration Fee	Remarks	
01	Scouts (Male & Female)	between 14-18 years at the time of the event		Scouts born between 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2002 and no later than 2006). Some Knowledge of English is essential.	
02	Unit Leaders (Male & Female)	18 Years and above		Valid Warrant for 2020. Some Knowledge of English is essential.	
03	IST (Male & Female)	18 years and above		Be able to communicate in English and be ready to perform any task.	

### Cost Breakdown

The following approximate costs have to be borne by the participant. (Quotes are actual costs and <u>will vary heavily dependent on market fluctuations and dollar</u> <u>conversion</u> rate at the time)

Description	Scouts, IST & Leaders	
	Payable to	Payable
	Scout HQ	Direct
Jamboree Registration Fee	LKR 47,000	
Visa Fee to Poland		LKR 18,000
AIR TICKET COLOMBO TO POLAND- Turkish Airline		LKR 206,656
(Colombo – Poland / Rome – Colombo)		
Two day's food & lodging in Poland	LKR 15,000	
Bus fair GDANSK to BERLIN (541 Km)	LKR 7,680	
Hotel accommodation in Berlin	LKR 4,403	
Meal cost in Berlin	LKR 11,520	
Berlin City Tour	LKR 6,845	
Bus fare Berlin to Switzerland	LKR 11,760	
Hotel accommodation in Switzerland	LKR 11,174	
Meal cost In Zurich	LKR 20,160	
Bus fair Zurich to Rome (853 Km)	LKR 23,760	
Hotel accommodation in Rome	LKR 13,579	
Meal cost in Rome	LKR 28,800	
Rome City Tour (2 day Tour)	LKR 30,000	
Airport Transport (28 Km)	LKR 5,000	
SLSA Administration Fee	LKR 1,000	
Jamboree Fund	LKR 2,500	
Insurance (Approximate)	LKR 10,000	
Totals	LKR 250,181	LKR 224,656
GRAND TOTAL		LKR 474,837

# Very Important:

The Registration Fee will be paid to the Jamboree Organisers in order to get the letter for the visa. This amount <u>cannot be refunded under any Circumstances</u>. Visa fee will be paid by you, to the Embassy directly and <u>will not be refunded even if the Visa is rejected</u>. SLSA Administration Fee too cannot be refunded.

## Application Process

- Necessary Paperwork
  - Download the relevant International events application from <u>https://scout.lk/index.php/en/international/application-forms</u> and fill it
  - a special declaration must be made by Parents, Guardian or next of kin, allowing Scouts to take part and stating their willingness for financial support
  - A legally Binding Bond must be entered into by the Scout / Leader that they will return to Sri Lanka.
  - IST members must sign a declaration that they will perform any duty that is assigned to them.
  - Application form should be Certified by District Commissioner and Principal of the School or Head of sponsoring authority.
- Applications and letters (Scanned) have to be sent through the ADC (International) by email to all 3 e-mail addresses below – <u>applications sent by other means and routs will be rejected</u>
  - o srilankascouts@ymail.com
  - o sri.lanka.international.scout@gmail.com
  - $\circ$  copy to respective DC
- Email your Applications on or before 15/10/2020 12-mid night.

### Selection

Selection will be by a physical interview (of short-listed candidates) conducted at the National Scout Head Quarters.

The complete format of this interview will appear on the SLSA International Facebook page in due course. ADC (International) must prepare their Scouts for the interview.

## <u>Visa</u>

- Obtaining visa is the total responsibility of the participant through your own resources.
- NHQ / International department will guide you on how to prepare for the visa.
- Necessary invitation letter for visa application, from organizers and a letter from NHQ will be provided to the participant AFTER payment of registration fees.

We look forward to you cooperation on this venture.

Thank you

Yours in scout service,

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