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23rd – 25th July 2021: Youth Wave Summit (online)

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Introduction

Young people are a massive source of energy and motivation, with their fresh perspectives and new ideas, they are constantly changing society for the better. We strongly believe that when young people come together, they have the power to create a better world and become a wave of change.

The Polish Scouting and Guiding Association is planning to undertake a summer project called Youth Wave. This event aims to encourage young people to become changemakers in their local communities and promote solutions for the Sustainable Development Goals.

We would like to kindly invite National Scout Organizations of WOSM (NSO) and Member Organizations of WAGGGS (MO) which registered their Contingents for the European Jamboree 2020+1 to participate in this European project with us. Although European Jamboree will not take place, we would be honoured by your presence at this virtual event, which for us has a character of legacy of the cancelled, due to COVID-19 pandemic, Jamboree.

Youth Wave Summit (23rd – 25th July 2021)

It is a virtual international youth summit for Scouts and Guides. This event will involve Scouts and Guides from across Europe and will offer the opportunity to spread the voice of young people by creating a space for dialogue around today's essential subjects: climate change, civic engagement and the well-being of young people.

We kindly invite you to nominate two participants aged 14-17 from each National Scout Organization WOSM and each Member Organization WAGGGS to take part in the Summit.

You can find detailed information below.

Youth Wave Summit

23rd - 25th July 2021

- Online event





Youth Wave Summit offers the opportunity to spread the voice of young people by creating a space for dialogue around today's essential subjects: climate change, civic engagement and the well-being of young people.

These three days will focus on debating about issues that matter to young people and the world in wider perspective. They will result in a set of resolutions created by participants and collected in a special report. We strongly believe that this event will create a unique opportunity for young people, where their voice will truly be heard.

An online event

Youth Wave Summit will take place online. Due to the current pandemic situation, we unfortunately, cannot invite participants of the Summit to come to Poland. Thanks to advanced technology, new tools and devices, we can stay connected from a distance and continue to share our experiences online, regardless of our location in the world!

The organising team will be in Gdańsk, within the European Solidarity Centre's grounds, from where we will broadcast the event. Participants will use an online platform, which will allow them to lead discussions and create resolutions in a safe and comfortable environment.

Programme

Educational goals

The educational goals for the Youth Wave Summit are to:

- encourage young people to discover their potential to be changemakers,
- raise awareness about climate change and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), take ownership of our actions and explore ways to implement SDGs,
- ▶ share methods of selfcare and other ways for participants to care about their well being;
- empower youth to raise strong voice in important issues around them;
- ▶ encourage to understand the diversity of the world perspectives and needs of different countries;
- give the opportunity to participate in a discussion based on a UN model of debating.

Main themes

During this Summit, we will focus on 3 main themes:

- ► Climate change,
- Well-being of youth,
- ► Civic engagement.

These 3 main themes will be divided into several smaller topics, which will be closely connected with UN Sustainable Development Goals. The participants will be split into smaller groups to focus on these topics, according to their interests and the space available.



UN Model

The debates will be based on the UN Model. Each of the group will gather participants wishing to discuss the same topic. During the group discussion participants will be encouraged to present opinion on behalf of specific country assigned to them. Before the Summit, each participant will be given the country which they will represent during the event. The country that they will represent and will be pre-assigned to will not be the same as country that they come from.

The participants will have time ahead of the event to get to know their "new" country and prepare on their own by gathering information about the country itself and also do the research about the topic of their group in relation to their assigned country. It will allow them to represent the country and present its perspective by speaking out during the Summit.

During the Summit participants will be divided into breakout rooms. Every group will discuss a different topic and at the end will create resolutions for their specific topic. They will be accompanied by a facilitator who is familiar with the programme, who will guide the discussions, and help to prepare the resolutions.

This working method will hopefully have a positive impact on participants openness and cultural awareness, and shape their development in the discussion process and negotiation.

Participants preparations:

- Guidelines and additional study materials sent out before the event (June 2021);
- ▶ Preparatory webinar (June 2021).

Report

These three days of discussions and searching for solutions will result in a resolution document – official results of the participants debates. With these documents we will advocate among different entities and stakeholders for the cases presented in the summary, from our own WOSM and WAGGS members through other NGOs, public institutions and others. This is the responsibility we are promising. The other part lies in the hands of the delegates to make changes in their local communities based on what they found relevant a change for creating the better world.

Additionally, it will be also participants' role to promote adopted resolutions and share what they have experienced during the Summit with other Scouts and Guides from their NSO/MO.

Organisation

The Youth Wave Summit is hosted by The Polish Scouting and Guiding Association (ZHP).

Useful facts about the Youth Wave Summit

- ▶ The official language of the Youth Wave Summit is English and participants will need to be able to communicate about the specific topics in this language.
- ▶ Participants will be divided into breakout rooms.
- ▶ The Summit is free of charge for all participants.
- ➤ The Youth Wave Summit is co-funded by the Visegrad Fund. The event will also be supported by partners from World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) Poland and the European Solidarity Centre in Gdańsk.

Who can participate in the Summit?

We invite two participants from each National Scout Organization of WOSM and each Member Organization of WAGGGS. If your Organisation operates as SAGNO, you can nominate four Scouts or Guides to represent you. Federations wishing to nominate more participants are encouraged to contact the Youth Wave Team for individual arrangements. We encourage NSOs and MOs to run internal recruitment process to select their participants. Each representative need to have the endorsement from their respective NSO/MO.

Each NSO and MO nominating Summit participants is also requested to delegate one adult, who will be a contact point between organisers of the Youth Wave Summit and the participants.

This adult leader will also be responsible for the well-being and safety of their participants during the Summit, according to the Summit's Safe from Harm policy and internal rules of each NSO/MO. Please find below detailed description of the registration process.

The registration of the participants

Number of participants

The number of participants is limited – therefore we would like to invite two participants per each NSO/MO with an exception of SAGNOs (which are invited to delegate four participants) and federations (which are encouraged to contact the Youth Wave Team for individual arrangements if needed).

We will be able to welcome up to 252 participants. In case of great interest, Organizers reserve the right to earlier close the registration based on first come, first served rule. Young people whose nominations will arrive after closing of the registration will be placed on the waiting list. In case of resignations Summit Organizers will invite Scouts and Guides from the waiting list.

Profile of participant (recruitment criteria)

We invite participants who:

- ▶ are between 14 and 17 years of age during the online Summit,
- respect Scouting and Guiding values,
- ▶ are interested in current global problems (climate change, social inequalities, etc),
- want to be an active part of an international Scouting and Guiding Summit,
- are not afraid to express their opinion in an online meeting in front of other people,
- have the ability to communicate in English,
- have the ability to speak and act in public,
- are open to look at the world from different perspectives.

We strongly encourage you to include the above aspects in your internal recruitment process. Please note, that by nominating participants, you confirm that they meet the requirements.

Tasks for the participants

Each participant, to be registered for the Summit, need to complete two following tasks.

Each NSO/MO nominating participants is encouraged either to include these tasks in their internal recruitment process or request selected participants to complete the tasks before registering them for the Summit. Please note that tasks below will need to be submitted while registering participants.



The first task for applicants is to prepare a short video in English. The duration of the video should be between 3 and 5 minutes, during which participants introduce themselves and answer the following questions:

- What is your name and where are you from?
- What would you like others to know about you?
- ▶ Why do you want to participate in the Youth Wave Summit?
- ▶ If you could change one thing in the world for all the people what it would be and why?



For the second task, participants need to write a short answer to the following question (max. 800 characters):

▶ If you got sufficient amount of funds for a project to help change your local community (your street, district or your city etc.) what would you like to do and why?

Both tasks need to be completed by each nominated participant and sent to us together with the Registration Form. Both, video and short written assignment, will be used only to help the Organisers to better prepare the Summit and to divide participants into groups. Neither of them will be publicly shared without appropriate consent of the participant and their respective NSO/MO.

Information requested in the Registration Form

In the Registration Form each participant will be requested to provide the following data:

- Name, Surname,
- ► E-mail address.

▶ Date of birth.

▶ Phone number.

Postal address.

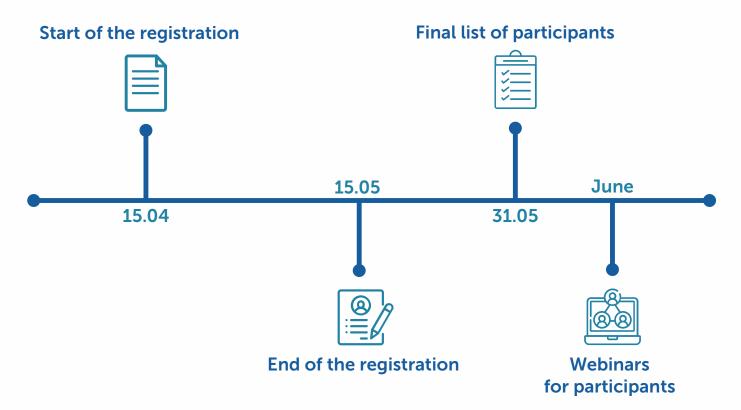
As attachments to the Form each participant is requested to provide:

- video and written assignment as described above;
- endorsement letter from your NSO/MO;
- consent from their parents or legal guardians to personal data processing.

Registration must be done by respective NSO/MO for each participant individually (separate registration forms for each delegate). Summit Organizers, as a general rule, will accept all nominations as long as registered participants meet key recruitment criteria (please see above) and provide completion of both tasks and required attachments.

Timeline of the registration and next steps

Please find below timeline of the Summit registration process. Please note that you are invited to start your internal recruitment process whenever it is right for you.



15th of April - 15th of May: Registration of Summit participants

On 15th of April registration for the Summit will be opened, and a Registration Form will be available on our website youthwave.zhp.pl together with the template of a consent for personal data processing. Deadline for the registrations is 15th of May.

31th of May: Approval of Summit participants

By this date we will let you know if your participants have been accepted. In the unlikely event that we cannot accept a Scout or Guide nominated by your NSO/MO, you will be informed about the reason and offered a possibility to nominate another person.

June: Preparation for the Summit

After closing the final list of the participants, we will distribute materials allowing your delegates to prepare for the Summit. We will also organise a preparatory webinar, and pass on more information via e-mail.

July: Distribution of Youth Wave Summit Agenda

At the beginning of July participants will receive detailed agenda of the Youth Wave Summit.

We invite you to visit our website **youthwave.zhp.pl** and social media channels (**facebook.com/youthwave2021**), where you can find more information, as well as promotional materials about the Youth Wave Summit. If you have any additional questions concerning Youth Wave Summit, feel free to contact us. You can address inquiries about the project by e-mail: youthwave@zhp.pl.

