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### Updates on Academy 2020, 2021 and 2022

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Dear Friends in Scouting and in Guiding in Europe,

We are pleased to send you more information for the next editions of the Academy.

Following the Joint Committee meeting on 14 June 2020, the European Regional Committees of WOSM and WAGGGS discussed the way forward for the Academy 2020 and selected a host for the Academy 2021. The host for the Academy 2022 has also been confirmed as a result of the extraordinary circumstances caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### Academy 2020

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The outbreak of COVID-19 has considerably disrupted our plans and has created uncertainty in many ways and in different areas.

Considering the current situation which we are all facing and after undertaking a risk assessment with the *Lietuvos skautija* which had been selected to host the Academy in 2020, the Joint Committee has decided to move the event online.

This is an opportunity to explore a different and more flexible format and will almost certainly lead to new perspectives for training and dialogue in the future. You will receive more information soon regarding the dates and other essential details.

#### Academy 2021

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Meanwhile, we are happy to announce that the next 2021 edition of the Academy will be hosted by the *Federation of German Guiding and Scouting*.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank the other Member Organisations which had applied to host this event. They submitted some attractive proposals which made the selection process a difficult one and we look forward to having them as hosts of future WOSM or WAGGGS events.

A Call for partners with details about the dates will be shared in due course

The Academy is a great learning and networking event. It is also an opportunity for us to place emphasis on sustainability, a priority for the European Regions of WAGGGS and WOSM.

#### Academy 2022

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Considering that the Academy 2020 was originally to be hosted in Lithuania by *Lietuvos skautija*, we are happy to announce that the Academy 2022 will take place in Lithuania so that participants and delegates can fully experience the host's hospitality.

We are looking forward to welcoming many participants so that we can spread the Scouting and Guiding spirit even further.

**The Europe Committee WAGGGS and the European Scout Committee of WOSM**  
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