



Dear Leader,

Your Group is invited to participate in an international event which the Scout Association of Malta – St. Venera Scout Group will be organising next year under the Erasmus + programme. At the moment we are at the application stage and we will know if the project is funded by December 2017 or January 2018. Here is all the information that you would need in order to make an informed decision as a commitment for participation.

What is the name of the Project?

ISLAND EXPLORER

An outdoor camping adventure that will give the youths a good taste of cultural, spiritual, freedom and EU rights within our communities. During the camp the youths will be visiting many interesting places, they will share their cultural values and religious beliefs while respecting other participant's beliefs, culture and tradition. Below is a list of the interesting places we will be visiting, apart from a programme filled with scouting activities and fun workshops.

- Maritime Museum
- **❖** Neolithic Temples
- Roman Villa
- Mdina Cathedral
- St.John's Co Cathedral
- Upper Barraka Gardens
- Saluting Battery
- Lascaris War Rooms
- House of Parliament





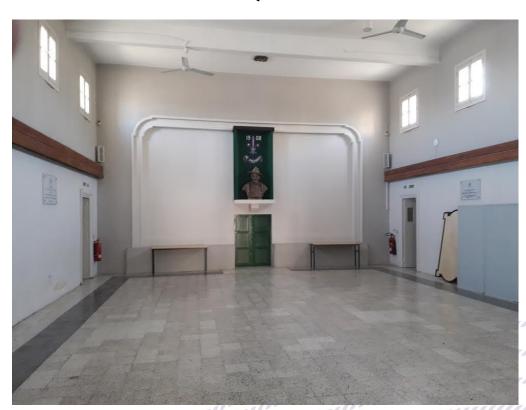
When and where will the event be held?

The event will happen in August 2018.

Duration: 10/08/2018 to 19/08/2018

The event will be held at the Scout Association of Malta - Island Head Quarters in Floriana Malta. Eight days of the event will consist of a camp under canvas within the campsite which is situated in the core of Floriana very close to the Capital City of Malta – Valletta.

ISLAND HEADQUARTERS HALL.







Who are the ideal partners?

We are looking for two groups from EU countires which consist of around 20 members mixed from Scouts to Ventures and Rovers. To give you a clear picture of our group please follow the table below:

Tentative Maltese Group

SECTION	AGE	QUANTITY
SCOUTS	13 years - 14 years	5
VENTURES	15 years - 18 years	10
ROVERS	19 years - 30 years	8
LEADERS	31 years - 45 years	9
TOTAL		32

What is the age bracket for participants?

The project is aimed of having around 20 participants from each contingent that should be between 13 years and 30 years. These are to be accompanied by 4 leaders.

Please consider the following:

LOWER AGE LIMIT: Participants must have reached the minimum age at the start date of the activity (9^{th} August 2018)

UPPER AGE LIMIT : Participants must not be older than the indicated maximum age at the application deadline (October 2017)





What will the event consist of?

Scouts will be camping under canvas and indoors (if necessary) to be in direct contact with the surrounding area of the camp site.

The event aims to improve diversity, communication skills, teamwork, and cultural knowledge.

Development through activities during the event will consist of scouting activities such as learning basic traditional skills like outdoor cooking, snorkelling, expert talks, educational and cultural tours. The event will also consist of different workshops such as building a boat, prepare video clips, oil processing, radio communication games and boat trips. Refer to brief programme at Annex 1.

The event will of course be a great opportunity to create international contacts, exchange scouting experiences and of course bottom line have a good time.

What equipment do you need to bring?

You need the same equipment that you would need when you are going to camp. We will provide all the tents needed. We will send a more detailed equipment list later on but for now it is sufficient to know that you do not need to buy any unnecessary equipment.





How much will all this cost?

Event:

The accommodation / food / activity costs will be funded by the European Union Erasmus + Youth Exchange programme if the application is granted. We will know results in January 2018.

Flights:

The flights will be heavily subsided through the EU Erasmus + Youth Exchange program. A flight grant will be given depending on how far your country is. You need to check distance on official travel calculator.

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources en#tab-1-4

Amount	Rule of allocation	
For travel distances between 10 and 99KM: 20 EUR per participant		
For travel distances between 100 and 499 KM: 80 EUR per participant	Based on the travel distance per	
For travel distances between 500 and 1999 KM: 170 EUR per participant	participant. Travel distances must be calculated using the distance calculator supported by the European Commission ⁵⁶ . The applicant must indicate the distance of a one-way travel to calculate the amount of the	
For travel distances between 2000 and 2999 KM: 270 EUR per participant		
For travel distances between 3000 and 3999 KM: 400 EUR per participant	EU grant that will support the round trip ⁵⁷ .	
For travel distances between 4000 and 7999 KM: 620 EUR per participant		
For travel distances of 8000 KM or more: 830 EUR per participant		





The Way Forward

The deadline for the application which we need to submit is 4th October 2017. It is necessary for you to give us an answer as soon as possible. If you are interested:

- Send us your interest along with any questions you might have on our email listed below.
- Submit a fully completed Annex 3 Partner Form by 12th June 2017.
- St.Venera Scout Group will choose two partners depending on the partner form compatibility with the tentative selection deadline is 12th June 2017.
- If your group is selected, we will hold a number of Skype Conversations to discuss the project in detail. Eventually a formal mandate would need to be signed by your legal representative.

If you accept this invitation, you will be required to fill in Annex 3 – Partner Form that requires your organisation to have a PIC ERASMUS + CODE. Usually your International Commissioner is knowledgeable about the matter and will be able to help you out obtain this number.

Our International Commissioner (<u>ic@scout.org.mt</u>) is able to guide her counterpart of your organisation as necessary.

If you require any additional information do not hesitate to send us an email on : santavenerascouts@gmail.com

Yours in Scouting,

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ANNEX 2 Some Images of Malta

For more information visit www.visitmalta.com





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