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Dear Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to report to you that our Icelandic Friends made a very good use of the "Nordic conference" held in Reykjavik from May 14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> as a high number of Friends of Scouting in Europe met Friday morning, May 15<sup>th</sup> to welcome 6 new Icelandic Friends and 8 other Nordic FOSE.

The reception was hosted by the Icelandic Scouts and H.E. the President of the Republic of Iceland welcomed all the new Friends, assisted by our Regional Chairman, Andrea and our Committee member Hulda. A once-a-year meeting for the growing number of FOSE in Iceland is now being explored by our Super Friend and the BIS.

During the World Scout Jamboree, on Monday August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 16h20, the Friends of Scouting in Europe attending the Jamboree will meet. This is organised by our two Super Friends, Monica and Olle Alsen as you will note from the enclosed invitation.

Over the weekend of August 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>, the Scouts of Finland will gather for their National Leadership and a FOSE meeting will be organised. This is an event where a high number of young FOSE may be recruited.

Over the weekend of September 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>, another weekend meeting will be organised by the Danish Scouting, offering a splendid opportunity to explore how our Nordic Friends are working. A welcoming flyer is enclosed from which you will learn that our Regional Chairman will take active part in this FOSE weekend activity.

On Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, Juris is organising yet another Friends of Scouting in Europe event in Riga, Latvia, hopefully supported by Committee member Chip.

Cyprus has invited to this years Super Friends training weekend, which will take place September 24<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>. Cyprus will make good use of the presence of our Super Friends and also organise a welcome reception for new FOSE.

As you saw from my May 30<sup>th</sup> letter, this years annual Gathering is planned for October 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> in Bulgaria. Another good chance to meet Scouting in Central and Eastern Europe!!!

Please don't miss the opportunity to look at our homepage [www.europeanscoutfoundation.org](http://www.europeanscoutfoundation.org) where you will find a number of interesting projects to sell.

My very best wishes for an active summer where you will hopefully explore the recruitment of new FOSE.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman, European Scout Foundation

Enclosures: Invitation to Jamboree event  
Invitation to FOSE weekend in Denmark  
Welcome folder for new FOSE

For webreaders: these enclosures are to be found on the website.