GET READY FOR GOVERNANCE
PROGRAMME INFORMATION PACK
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DREAM, ACT, LEAD:
THE FUTURE IS OURS

38th WAGGGS World Conference
What is the Get Ready for Governance Programme?

The Get Ready for Governance Programme aims to support participants under 30 to feel actively involved and able to meaningfully participate in the World Conference.

It is made up of four parts:

**Dream**
Through online webinars and a dedicated space on WAGGGS’ online platform, Campfire, build your WAGGGS governance and World Conference knowledge.

**Act**
Come together face-to-face in Cyprus on the 25th of July to connect, network and prepare for the next five days.

**Lead**
Actively participate in World Conference and represent the voices of girls and young women across the Girl Guide and Girl Scout Movement!

**The Future is Ours**
Connect with each other again online post World Conference to reflect and share next steps to apply your learnings.

The Get Ready for Governance Programme is open to participants under 30 attending World Conference, regardless of experience. It will be an opportunity to build your knowledge, network with other young people attending and plan together. It is an optional programme, so it is not mandatory to participate.

The Get Ready for Governance Programme is powered by the Olave Baden-Powell Society (OB-PS), via funds generously donated to support girls and young women thrive in their World Conference experience. You can find out more about the OB-PS here: [https://www.waggs.org/en/support-us/ob-ps/](https://www.waggs.org/en/support-us/ob-ps/)
Two webinars will take place to allow you to build your knowledge ahead of World Conference and connect with other youth online. These webinars will take place via Zoom.

Get to know WAGGGS Governance and World Conference
Build your knowledge and understanding about WAGGGS Governance and World Conference roles, rules and procedures. This webinar will be open to anyone who would like to attend regardless of age, however, we would like to especially encourage youth participants in the World Conference to attend.

Youth Connect
Connect with other youth attending the World Conference in your language group. This will be a fun and safe space to get to know each other ahead of conference and answer any and all questions or concerns you may have.

The dates and times for these webinars will be shared shortly.

All participants under 30 attending World Conference will also be connected via a dedicated group on Campfire, WAGGGS’ online platform.

The Get Ready for Governance Youth Pre-Event will take place in Larnaca on the 25th of July at the ‘Multi-functional Center for Social Activities and Welfare of Larnaka Municipality’. It is located at 62, Faneromenis Street, 6025 Larnaca, Cyprus (please see location on Google Maps here).

We are privileged to also be invited to a Welcome Party hosted by the Girl Guides Association of Cyprus. The Welcome Party will be held for those who are attending the Youth Pre-Event to celebrate the start of their World Conference Experience! It will include dinner, the opportunity for cultural sharing and dancing from our GGAC hosts as well as the opportunity to swim if you would like. The Welcome Party will take place at the Finikoudes Beach Amphitheatre.
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**Pre-Event Logistics**

Thanks to the generous support of OB-PS, we are able provide the Get Ready for Governance Programme free of charge. This includes the below (for those that require it):

- Airport transfers from Paphos or Larnaca International Airports to your accommodation on the 24th of July
- Shared accommodation for the night of 24th of July in Larnaca
- Meals on the 25th of July
- Transport from Larnaca to Nicosia on the evening of the 25th of July after the end of the programme
To confirm your place attending the pre-event as well as accommodation and airport transfer needs, please complete your requirements via the World Conference Travel Information Survey you will have received via email (due 29 May). If you are having difficulties finding your Travel Survey, please search your inbox/spam for an email from no-reply@eventsairmail.com. If you still are unable to locate it, please email us at woco@wagggs.org.

Accommodation on 24th July booked in Larnaca by WAGGGS will be a mix of single, twin and triple ensuite rooms. We will allocate rooms, by gender, to encourage meeting new people attending World Conference, however, if you would prefer to share a room with someone or require a single room in special circumstances, please state this in the Travel Information Survey.

Please note: Accommodation for the night of the 25th of July should be planned with your wider Member Organisation delegation and is not included.

What to bring and wear?
We are trying to ensure the World Conference is as sustainable as possible. We request you bring a notebook, pen and water bottle with you. If it is available to you, we also request you bring a digital device that can connect to Wi-Fi such as a laptop, tablet or smartphone. There may be some areas for recharging devices on the day but these will be limited so we encourage you to bring your device fully charged.

As it will be an active and participatory day, we request you wear casual guiding/scouting wear (eg. Guiding/scouting t-shirt), comfortable shoes and a scarf/necker if you have one. Formal uniform is not required. Some activities may be held outside, as it is summer in Cyprus, we recommend you bring a hat. In the evening, we will be attending a Welcome Party hosted by Girl Guides Association of Cyprus held at the beach! Please bring swimwear and a towel with you if you might wish to swim.

LEAD - In Person - 38th World Conference 26th-31st July
Actively participate in World Conference and represent the voices of girls and young women across the Girl Guide and Girl Scout Movement!

Now that we have built a network with each other we can use this throughout the conference to support each other to meaningfully participate.

THE FUTURE - Online - Post World Conference
Connect with each other post World Conference to reflect, celebrate achievements and plan next steps together.

The dates and times for these webinars will be shared shortly.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I attend GRFG Youth Pre-Event on the 25th of July if I have attended a Regional or World Conference before?
This programme will include some foundational elements to ensure that all youth attending World Conference will have a good understanding of WAGGGS governance and World Conference procedures. If you have attended a Regional or World Conference before there may be some information you are already aware of, however you are still invited to attend if you wish and feel like the event will provide value to your experience. You can refresh your knowledge and support the learning of others during these elements.

Will GRFG take place in all 4 WAGGGS official languages? How will interpretation work at the event?
We will have interpretation available in all 4 WAGGGS official languages by our volunteer interpretation team. We will not have interpretation headsets available at the in-person event on the 25th of July, so interpretation will be delivered via ‘whispered interpretation’. For many attending, one of the four WAGGGS official languages will not be their native tongue, we appreciate your support in ensuring all can participate.

I identify as male, non-binary or other. Can I attend?
The Get Ready for Governance Programme is open to all youth attending the WAGGGS World Conference regardless of gender.

Do I have to do anything for GRFG before or after the event on 25th July?
The Get Ready for Governance Programme involves four parts that align to the World Conference theme – Dream, Act, Lead and the Future (see ‘What is the Get Ready for Governance Programme’ above). This involves some online components before and after World Conference. Whilst participation in all aspects of the Programme are highly encouraged they are not mandatory.

Who is organising the GRFG Programme?
The Get Ready for Governance Programme is being organised by WAGGGS with support of the Guide Association of Cyprus and the Olave Baden-Powell Society. It is supported by a Planning Team made-up of representatives from WAGGGS World Board, Regional Committees, WAGGGS Staff and the Girl Guides Association of Cyprus. We thank the team for their time, commitment, and enthusiasm!

What meals will be included as part of the GRFG Programme?
Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided for participants on the 25th of July. Meals will be at your own cost on the 24th of July. You may wish to bring some snacks for outside of these meals if you think you may need them.

Can GRFG participants arrive during the day on 25th July and just join for some of the pre-event?
As the pre-event programme will build on itself throughout the day, participants need to attend the full day’s programme from 9am to 5pm.
We have booked for our whole delegation to stay in Nicosia from 24th July onwards. Can they travel from Nicosia to Larnaca on the morning of 25th July to join the event just for the day instead and use the bus transport in the evening?
Yes, if you have already booked accommodation or would prefer to stay with your wider Member Organisation delegation this is fine. We recommend that you arrive at the venue in Larnaca between 8.30-9am. In the travel information survey, please select no for accommodation needed for the youth event and yes for a transfer to Nicosia on the evening of the 25th.

Our whole delegation had planned to stay in Larnaca on 24th and 25th July, and we have already paid for our hotels. Is it ok for our GRFG participants to join for the event and the welcome party but not stay in the provided hotel or use the transport on evening of 25th July?
Yes this is fine. Please make sure to complete these requirements in the Travel Information Survey.

Our whole delegation had planned to stay in Larnaca on 24th July. Can we use the transport provided to move to Nicosia on the evening of 25th July?
We are only able to coordinate and cover the costs of transport to Nicosia for those attending the youth pre-event. Intercity buses to Nicosia from Larnaca are regularly available and take approximately 40 minutes. It is then possible to take a taxi to your hotel from the Nicosia bus station.

Where will GRFG participants be dropped off in Nicosia on the night of 25th July?
Buses will drop participants at the World Conference suggested hotels. If you are staying at an alternative hotel you may need to arrange alternative transport on arrival in Nicosia as we will be unable to drop participants off at other locations.

What will I do with my luggage on the 25th July during the day and evening?
Luggage will be held at your hotel on the 25th of July and you will return to your hotel to collect it after the Welcome Party and before transferring to Nicosia. Please plan to bring all items you may need for the Pre-Event and Welcome Party with you on the morning of the 25th.

Do I have to attend the Welcome party on the evening of 25th July? Can I make my own way to Nicosia if I wish after the GRFG event has finished in the afternoon?
It is not mandatory to attend the Welcome Party on the evening of the 25th. Please confirm that you do not need a transfer in the Travel Information Survey by the 31st of May.
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