Škofja Loka, 9 May 2022

Newsletter No. 1

Škofja Loka – European Capital for 3 days

Dear Douzelage friends,

On behalf of Škofja Loka and mayor Mr. Tine Radinja we would like to invite you to the

General meeting of the DOUZELAGE

that will take place from Thursday, August 25 until Sunday, August 28, 2022,

in Škofja Loka, Slovenia.

We expect the delegations from all 28 Douzelage towns, from the town Kruja (Albania), board of the Douzelage and all former presidents of the Douzelage.

Arrival date for the event is August 25, departure date is August 28, 2022.

The organiser will cover costs for 2 official delegates, 1 representative of teachers/educators and 2 representatives of young people/students from towns that are members of the Douzelage as well as from the town Kruja. This includes accommodation for 3-days in twin rooms, full board (breakfast, lunch and dinner), transfer from the Ljubljana airport to Škofja Loka and back, local transport within Škofja Loka to the accommodation as well as organisation costs and materials for the sessions. Should there be a request for a single room, there is a surcharge of 45,00 EUR per room (for 3 nights).

Any extra nights before and after the official dates of the event should be covered by guests directly.

We have also foreseen a possibility that up to 50 non-delegates can attend the meeting. Attendance fee for these non-delegates is 170,00 € per person. There is a special attendance fee of 120,00 EUR per person for those attending the youth meeting.

Registration

Registration form will be sent by the end of May 2022, together with further information about the event and the agenda (Newsletter No. 2).

If there are already any questions that need to be clarified, do not hesitate and contact us at sabina.gabrijel@skofjaloka.si.

Miha Ješe Main organiser of the event Tine Radinja Mayor of Škofja Loka



Provisional agenda of the event

Main part of the program will take place in **Sokolski dom** at the Main square in Škofja Loka as follows:

Thursday, August 25, 2022		
Until 17.00	Arrival of the participants and accommodation in the hotels	
18.00	Opening ceremony and opening of the exhibition of the Douzelage photo contest	
18.30	Dinner	

Friday, August 26, 2022	
9.00	Opening ceremony of the General meeting
9.15	Opening speeches
9.30	General meeting
13.00	Lunch
14.30	General meeting
16.00	Joint session with ambassadors – presentation of the conclusions of the ACTAGE
	project and discussion
18.15	Joint photo of all the participants
19.00	Dinner with music

Saturday, August 27, 2022		
9.00	General meeting	
12.30	Presentation of the results of the Education meeting and Youth meeting	
13.00	Official conclusion of the event	
13.30	Lunch	
14.30	Free time	
19.00	Official closing dinner and party	

There will be separate meetings of the representative of the teachers/educators (EM) and youth representatives/students (YM), which will take place parallel to the General meeting. More information will be sent with the registration form.

Optional program

We will offer a possibility of additional tours and excursions that will take place before and after the official event. Currently, we can offer the following options:

Thursday, August 25, 2022

11.00 Excursions

- Option 1: Planica Nordic Center, Zelenci natural reserve (by bus)
- Option 2: <u>Lake Bohinj</u>, <u>Savica waterfall</u>, <u>Soriška planina</u> (by bus, includes hiking)
- Option 3: Short tour of Rupnikova linija defense line (by bus, includes hiking)

Saturday, August 27,2022

Afternoon Market at the Main Square

15.00 Tour to Ljubljana

16.00 Guided walking tour to Škofja Loka