



## The Academy 2019 - Participant Guide

### Welcome to Kranjska Gora, Slovenia and the Academy 2019!

*This brief guide provides useful information to help you make the most of your time in Slovenia. Should you have questions that aren't answered here, you can either check The Academy website [www.thesgacademy.eu](http://www.thesgacademy.eu) or ask at the Info Desk.*

### What is an Academy?

Academy, as a concept, dates to Plato's school of philosophy in the 4th century B.C, and is based on the idea of an institution for higher learning, research, or honorary membership. Our Academy concentrates on key aspects from the strategic plans of both WOSM European Region and Europe Region WAGGGS and aims to provide an integrated learning experience, allowing participants to share skills and knowledge from a variety of topics within Scouting and Guiding.

The Academy offers participants the chance to choose their learning path depending on both their personal and sending Association's needs, reflecting the tailored support and mentoring approaches promoted by the Regions. It also gives Associations an opportunity to highlight relevant initiatives, projects, and networks to others at the event.

### Introduction - Support and Host Teams

The Support and Host Teams are here to ensure your Academy experience is a great one! Look out for them and do say hello – they're a very friendly bunch! If you have any problems or queries during your time at The Academy, any of the people below will be able to help:

#### Support Team

Eirini Kappou, WAGGGS  
Samia Fitouri, WOSM  
Venusia Vinciguerra, WAGGGS  
Máire Fitzgerald, WOSM  
Damali Raymond, WAGGGS

#### Host Team

Eva Oršič, Host Team Coordinator  
Korana Kovačević, Host Team Coordinator  
Tinkara Ošlovnik, Communications  
Tim Godec, Programme  
Ema Kočevar, Programme  
Gašper Stojc, Programme  
Gašper Kristanec, Logistics  
Eva Bolha, Support team  
Hana Lobnik, Support team  
Neža Repanšek, Support team  
Katja Černelič, Support team



## **Before you leave**

### **Get yourself ready for the International Evening**

The International Evening takes place on Monday 4th November and participants are asked to prepare a display representing their country. This could include information about your country, samples of local, national dress/uniform, or information about Scouting and/or Guiding where you're from. Of course, it can also include samples of local foods and drinks.

### **Start sharing your story on social media**

We can start spreading **The Academy** now! Tell us your story using **#SGAcademy2019**, **#LookWide** or **#TheAgeofDiscoveries** or by tagging The Academy on Facebook. And remember to follow @taborniki\_si & @skavti\_si on instagram and tag us in your posts, that we can share your experience at The Academy.

### **A few last reminders...**

- You will need a Type F plug for your devices. If you're coming from the UK, Ireland, Cyprus, Malta, Switzerland - you will need an adaptor.
- Kranjska Gora will be on Central European Time (UTC/GMC+1) at the time of The Academy.
- Currency used is Euro. Most shops, bars and restaurants are accepting cards (Visa, Maestro, Mastercard)

## **Travel**

**Arriving in Kranjska Gora - Getting from the airport to the [Kompas Hotel](#)**

**Please note that transport from the airport to the hotel is not organised!  
Therefore you need to make your own arrangements for transfer to the venue.**

We've arranged discounts with two airport transfer companies – GoOpti and Nomago.

### **GoOpti (recommended option):**

They offer combined and private transfers. They've offered us a referral code: **RFLIH862FUKH**, which can be redeemed for a 5€ discount when you register at <https://www.goopti.com/en/>.

To book transport with GoOpti visit their website, select the pick-up location and destination, your departure time (enter your flight number, to make sure you have enough time) and number of passengers. During the booking process, you will be prompted to create an account at goopti.com. Note that with registering, you can use the discount code mentioned above for a 5€ discount on your transfer. After



completing the booking you will receive all the details and an invoice to your email. If you need separate invoices, please make separate bookings.

Combined transfers are cheaper than private, as the company combines several passengers that are traveling in the same direction in one van, so the price for one person is lower.

This is the preferred mode of transfer for **facilitators or anyone who travels alone**. If you feel that your flights do not allow you to avail of this option, please notify us to find a better solution.

If the group transfers are not operating at suitable times, another option for your airport transfer is **Nomago**:

They've offered us 10% discount on private transfers from various surrounding airports:

**Ljubljana airport -**

**Kranjska Gora - Ljubljana Airport**

Car / 100 EUR

Van / 110 EUR

Minibus 30-seats / 230 EUR

bus 50-seats / 250 EUR

Prices are one-way.

**Trieste airport - Kranjska**

**Gora - Trieste Airport**

Car / 200 EUR

Van / 230 EUR

Minibus 30-seats / 515 EUR

bus 50-seats / 585 EUR

Prices are one-way.

**Klagenfurt airport -**

**Kranjska Gora -**

**Klagenfurt Airport**

Car / 120 EUR

Van / 140 EUR

Minibus 30-seats / 265 EUR

bus 50-seats / 315 EUR

Prices are one-way.

To reserve transport with Nomago, please write to **Gašper – gkristanec4@gmail.com**, as the transfer booking for Nomago will be done via e-mail.

→ **Important note:** Nomago only offers shared transfer to Ljubljana, so this option is only for larger groups. For goopti, you can see the prices once you have entered your travel information on their website. **The price for Goopti is from 11€ up (depending on how full the van is). Goopti has transfers from all surrounding airports as well, not just Ljubljana airport. For Nomago, you can only book through e-mail, as their online booking system only has the shared transfer option, only to Ljubljana.**

**Public transport:**

It is also possible to reach Kranjska Gora from Ljubljana Airport with public buses. For details on departure times you can check Google Maps, as the information is up to date and reliable.

Please note that the journey takes longer than with an airport transfer (around 2 hours) and that you need to switch buses in Kranj.

**If you have any questions regarding logistics and transportation, please contact the head of logistics – Gašper on gkristanec4@gmail.com or +386 41 559 669.**

IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS AND NEED TO CONTACT THE HOST TEAM, THE



EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER IS +386 41 559 669.

### **The Venue**

Hotel Kompas  
Borovška Cesta 100  
4280 Kranjska Gora  
Slovenija  
+386 4 589 21 00

Website: <https://www.hit-alpinea.si/en/kompas-hotel>

Email: [info@hit-alpinea.si](mailto:info@hit-alpinea.si)

### **Registration at the Hotel**

When you arrive at the venue, please register at the Info Desk,, on your left as you enter the Hotel. Here you will be able to check-in and get your welcome pack containing all relevant details for the event.

### **Info Desk**

The Info Desk will be open from 8:00am to 8:00pm on Sunday to Wednesday (all days that sessions are running). It will be open until 10:00pm on arrivals day (Saturday 2/11) and midday on departures day (Thursday 7/11).

If you have any questions about The Academy there will be someone there who can help you. The info desk is located on the left-hand side of the hotel entrance. You can also approach any Academy volunteer, Support or Host Team member for help.

### **Programme**

See the detailed programme here: <https://www.thesgacademy.eu/programme/>

### **Environmental Sustainability at The Academy 2019 –**

**Bring your own water bottle** - All tap water in Slovenia is drinkable and of a very high quality.

In order to act in an environmentally conscious way, we ask you to bring your own reusable water bottle to the event. It will be useful for you during the outdoor and indoor activities and sessions.

**... you do not need to bring plates or cutlery** - The hotel will provide cups, plates, cutlery and chopping boards (should you pre-book them) for the International Evening so there is no need for you to bring disposable ones with you.

### **Evening Social Programme**

Once the day's sessions are over, there is a series of events planned including a Slovenian dinner, with traditional music and dances, an International Night, where you have the chance to present your country, culture and organisation. There are also Opening and Closing



Ceremonies, Scavenger Hunt and Karaoke Night so be prepared for something different. More details about the social programme, you will receive upon your arrival, as a part of the welcome pack.

**After The Academy - Leaving the venue**

Please check out of your room by 11:00am latest. Luggage can be stored at the hotel for those of you leaving later in the day.

We encourage you to continue using the **#SGAcademy2019** hashtag to let us know how you develop ideas in your home associations – we'd love to hear what you get up to!

Session materials and resources will be made available on The Academy website for a fixed period after the event. Details of how to access these, and how long they will be available for, will be circulated at the final Morning Info Meeting.