



**Information Pack for the International Service Team  
Scouting Ireland Contingent  
26th World Scout Jamboree in Poland, 2027**



# **POLAND 2027**

World Scout  
**26<sup>th</sup> Jamboree**  
Scout Mondial



**February 2025**

## Introduction

A World Scout Jamboree takes place somewhere in the world every four years and in 2027 we'll travel to Gdańsk in Poland. This will be the 26th World Scout Jamboree and the first in Europe since Sweden, 2011.

Scouting Ireland has a long history of sending contingents to the World Scout Jamboree with each Contingent enjoying a varied and exciting experience. The 26th World Scout Jamboree will take place from 30th July – 8th August 2027, and is being hosted by ZHP, the Polish Scouting and Guiding Association. You can read more about the Jamboree here: [jamboree2027.org](http://jamboree2027.org). If you have any questions about this document, please contact us on [IST@wsj2027.ie](mailto:IST@wsj2027.ie) or [wsj2027@scouts.ie](mailto:wsj2027@scouts.ie).

## Irish Contingent

Our purpose is to support young people to have the adventure of a lifetime, and gain lifelong memories, skills and friends. Guided by the values of inclusion, collaboration and empowerment we will create a contingent that is sustainable, youth led, and safe.

The Irish Contingent to the 26th World Scout Jamboree will include members across Scouting Ireland and for most, it will be their first ever World Scouting event.

We are planning for 100 members of the International Service Team (YOU!). Exact numbers and allocation will depend on the number of suitable applicants. The full recruitment process for the International Service Team (IST) will be completed towards the end of 2025.

The IST are what make the clocks tick at the Jamboree. You will take on a role in any of the Jamboree departments, from delivering programme, making content for the comms team or even arriving a few days early to help build the site.

The IST within the Irish Contingent will be supported by Adam Ó Ceallaigh and Niall O'Doherty. You can read more about them in [our first newsletter](#)

## **What do we know about the Jamboree so far?**

“Bravely” is the Jamboree theme, aiming to inspire young people to act courageously for the future of humanity and the planet.

The 26th World Scout Jamboree is located on Wyspa Sobieszewska within the borders of the city of Gdańsk, on the coast of the Baltic Sea in northern Poland. The Jamboree programme includes educational, recreational, and community service activities, such as workshops, team-building exercises, and outdoor pursuits. These experiences help Scouts build a strong sense of global citizenship and foster a deeper understanding of diverse cultures, ultimately contributing to a more peaceful and connected world. Programme will have four components: Subcamp Programme, Modular Programme, Plaza Programme and Supporting Events.

## **What can we expect during the event?**

### **Weather**

The months of July and August have similar temperatures to Ireland with average day time temperature between 17-23C and an average humidity of 55%. Nighttime temperatures are slightly warmer than Ireland ranging from 9-15C. The site is near the sea so some wind can be expected. It is likely to rain during the Summer, although not as much as we are used to in Ireland.


### **The Site**

Wyspa Sobieszewska is a part of an ecological reserve meaning despite being close to an urban city it has maintained its charming natural landscape. These natural features and microclimate make it an ideal place for outdoor activities during the summer. It offers various landscapes, including a seaside forest, several kilometres of wide beach, picturesque open fields, and farmland. The Jamboree site itself is located on 300 hectares of fields and meadows, with programme activity areas in the forest and on the beach.

## Packages

### Solo Traveller's Dream


The Solo Traveller's Dream package is tailored for those who love the freedom of independent travel but still want to experience the thrill of the Jamboree alongside the Contingent. Before reaching Poland, you'll embark on an Interrail adventure across Europe. After the Pre-Camp and Jamboree experience, the choice is yours—continue your adventure across Europe, or make your way home at your own pace.


 Cost: Approx. €2,400 - €2,800

 Duration: 18 days (Pre-Camp + Jamboree)

### Euro Extravaganza

For those who want the ultimate adventure, the Euro Extravaganza package offers the full experience. This is the most immersive option, combining the Pre-Camp, the World Scout Jamboree, and a post-camp experience in Poland. Your journey will take you through some of Europe's most iconic cities, travelling by train and ferry, a more sustainable way to explore. After the Jamboree, you'll join the Contingent for a post-camp before flying home together.

 Cost: Approx. €2,800 - €3,200

 Duration: 3 weeks (Pre-Camp + Jamboree + Post-Camp)

### Independent IST

For those IST not interested in a pre/post camp, or who may be concerned about the costs above please contact us directly on [IST@wsj2027.ie](mailto:IST@wsj2027.ie). We will work with you directly to agree a payment plan or travel option that suits your time and budget. We are also happy to offer a 10 day 'Jamboree only' option at a reduced price to meet your needs. We'll do our best to accommodate you, whatever that looks like.

## Application Process

So you want to be part of the amazing Irish Contingent's International Service Team who will create an incredible 26th World Scout Jamboree in Gdansk in 2027? Super! The application form is broken down into 3 sections, designed to allow you to highlight every reason why you should be a part of this Contingent!

### 1 Personal Information - Written Section

Basic details about you, your Scouting experience and your own skillset.

### 2 Personal Statement - Video Submission

A max. 5 minute video to show us who YOU are; your personality, your passions, and why you'll be an incredibly valuable part of the Irish Contingent and the IST as a whole. Prompts for the video:

- Why do you want to be part of the IST & the Irish Contingent?
- What will you, yes YOU, add to the incredible experience for youth participants & IST at WSJ2027?
- Relevant Scouting Experience (leadership, teamwork, service, volunteer etc.)
- Relevant Non-Scouting Experience (leadership, teamwork, service, volunteer etc.)
- How will you contribute to the Irish Contingent during the build up and at the Jamboree itself?
- Tell us BRIEFLY about a time you faced a challenge—either in scouting or outside it. How did you handle it, and what did you learn?
- What qualities will make you a great ambassador for Ireland at the Jamboree?

**Bonus:** Give one specific example of how you will be ready to do or show or explain to show Ireland's rich culture to Scouts from all over the world?

### 3 Reference - File Upload

A written reference from a fellow Scouting Ireland member is to be uploaded by all applicants, and it should endorse your ability and suitability to the role of IST. This should ideally come from a Team Leader of yours i.e. Section/Group Leader, County/Provincial Commissioner etc and not a family relation.

Note: If there are any specific difficulties with this application process please contact [IST@wsj2027.ie](mailto:IST@wsj2027.ie) and we will be happy to discuss.

## **Selection Process**

Applications will be assessed based on the prompts in the form and scored accordingly.

We're looking to ensure the Irish IST consists of enthusiastic and dedicated individuals who will make a real impact at WSJ 2027 no matter their experience and will proudly represent Ireland.

Show us why that's you!

## **Further Information**

To get further information about the jamboree, the Irish contingents involvement in it and the role that you could potentially play there are a few places that you should check out.

Official Jamboree Website: <https://www.jamboree2027.org/>

Irish WSJ Website: <https://wsj2027.ie/>

Irish Mailing List: [Mailing List](#)

## Testimonials

### Cathal H

The opportunity to be a part of Jamboree IST is really one of a kind. It is a truly rewarding and learning experience; whatever job you are doing you are surrounded by people who are looking to help you making the Jamboree such a welcoming environment to learn and develop as a person. I was part of the media team on the Jamboree, in my role I was able to interview and talk to so many people from the contingent from Angola to a Korean acupuncturist. My favorite Jamboree experience was through my job where I met and interviewed a guy from Malta called Jaz who just spend all his free time trading, trying to get all the most interesting neckerchives, he would sit in the trading hall wearing 20 of his best neckerchives and knew all there was to know about rare neckerchives and badges. Jaz is one of my close friends I made from the Jamboree and I just cant recommend it higher as an opportunity to meet and learn from people



### Aveen Mc

Attending the World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia in 2019 as part of the IST was one of the best experiences of my life. I worked on the kayaking waterfront with a fantastic team, forming lifelong friendships. I would seriously recommend being part of the IST crew, it was a trip of a lifetime!!

### Patryk K

I've been fortunate to attend both the 24th and 25th WSJ as part of the International Service Team (IST). While it might seem unusual to pay for the privilege of working in another country, a jamboree job is far from a typical job. I started in the trading posts in 2019, and by the time I attended the Korean jamboree, I got to use my energy engineering background to help run the renewable energy interactive museum. It was such a great experience to spend time with people who are just as passionate as I am about these topics. Whether we were brainstorming ideas or just sharing stories, it was amazing to connect with like-minded people from all over the world.

One of my favorite memories from the Korean jamboree was during a lunch break when my colleagues and I pulled out a guitar in the break room and started singing. The energy was so infectious that we ended up leading a rendition of Country Roads back at the IST subcamp during dinner, with hundreds of people joining in. Moments like that are unforgettable!

I still keep in touch with many amazing people I've met at the jamborees in both Korea and America, and I can't wait to create more memories at future events. If you're a Rover looking for your next big adventure, I can't recommend signing up as IST for the upcoming jamboree enough—you won't regret it!