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Engage!

Portugal opens its doors to more than 7,000 young people from around the world for the biggest Scouting event of the year.

This summer, more than 7,000 participants will head to Portugal to take part in the 16th edition of the World Scout Moot (MOOT) — a global Scouting event organized this year by the Federação Escotista de Portugal, taking place from July 25th to August 3rd.

“Engage with us, Engage with Portugal.” This motto brings to life the global Scouting event that will unite young people aged 18 to 25 from **over 100 countries**. In the first phase, participants will be spread across the country, from North to South, where they will have the opportunity to explore the best Portugal has to offer, from its rich cultural and historical heritage to its cuisine and stunning natural landscapes.

“For ten days, our country will be home, road, and meeting point for thousands of young adults from over 100 nationalities, united by a common ideal: to live the spirit of Scouting to its fullest. The Moot is also a platform to showcase to the world what is most genuine about Portugal: our warm hospitality, our rich history, breathtaking landscapes, and the soul of a people who know how to welcome others.

It is an event in motion. A meeting space where young people take on the role of protagonists in the changes they wish to see in the world. A time to dream together, to act together, and above all, to commit to others, to nature, to the future. Portugal will be the starting point, but the impact will be felt far beyond our borders.”

Inês Graça, Director of World Scout Moot 2025

“The World Scout Moot is a powerful expression of what it means to Engage — to connect with the world, with others, and with oneself. In the heart of Portugal, under the passionate leadership of the Federação Escotista de Portugal, thousands of young adults from around the globe embark on a transformative journey of learning, dialogue, and discovery. This is more than just an event — it is a space where values are lived, lifelong friendships are formed, and purposeful leadership is nurtured.

WOSM is proud to support this unique opportunity to empower a new generation of Scouts to engage with today’s challenges and help build the world of tomorrow.”

Raül Molina, Global Director of Events, WOSM

The Opening Ceremony will take place at Parque Tejo in Lisbon on July 25th, and the Closing Ceremony will be held in Porto on August 3rd, with the main campsite located in Ovar. But the MOOT programme goes far beyond these three locations — it extends across the entire country through the “Paths.”

During the first four days, participants will have the opportunity to explore their own Paths and discover Portugal alongside peers from other countries who share similar interests. **More than 100 different Paths** are planned, featuring highlights such as outdoor activities, adventure sports, educational sessions, community and social impact projects, cultural experiences, and much more.

The MOOT is an event of the *World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM)*, and the 2025 edition is being organized by the *Federação Escotista de Portugal (FEP)*, which brings together the *Associação dos Escoteiros de Portugal* and the *Corpo Nacional de Escutas* — the two Portuguese Scout associations.

In 2021, at the World Scout Conference, Portugal was elected as the host country for this event.

The first edition of the MOOT took place in 1931 in Switzerland, and since then, it has been held every four years, standing as a true celebration of friendship, adventure, and intercultural exchange — some of the core values of World Scouting.

This is one of the most highly anticipated events on the international Scouting calendar and once again promises to be a powerful platform for promoting multiculturalism and dialogue, fostering the development of young people as global citizens.

The Federação Escotista de Portugal

The Federação Escotista de Portugal (FEP) is the official entity representing Portuguese Scouting within the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM). Established in 1928, the FEP is the result of the union of Portugal's two national Scout associations: the Associação dos Escoteiros de Portugal (AEP), which is secular, and the Corpo Nacional de Escutas – Escutismo Católico Português (CNE), which is inspired by Catholicism.

The FEP does not engage directly in Scouting activities with young people, functioning primarily as a platform for representation and coordination between its two founding associations.

Based in Lisbon, the Federação Escotista de Portugal ensures the active presence of Portuguese Scouting on the international stage, promoting the values and principles of the Scout movement to peer organizations and global institutions.

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