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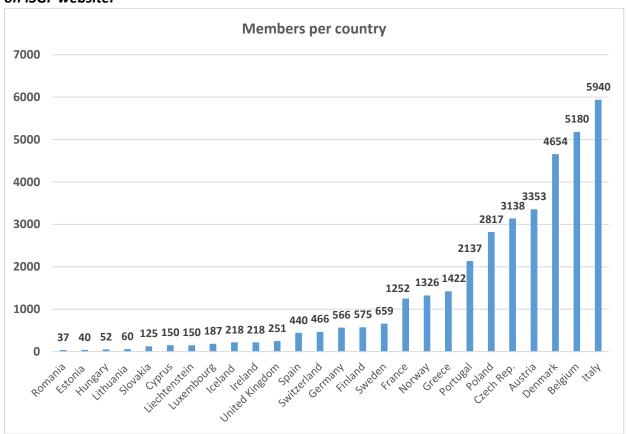
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Yearly Fee to Europe Region

The yearly fee has been 40 euro for each member country. The income from membership fees has amounted to about 1,100 euro a year. However, the numbers of members of the NSGFs vary a lot; between about 40 members to more than 5,000 members. It can be argued that it is unfair that member countries have to pay the same amount, regardless of how many members they have.

The Fee system of ISGF is based on principles of accuracy and balance for all National Scout and Guide Fellowships. The fee is calculated based on the **number of members** in a country and on three levels based on their **Gross Domestic Product (GDP)**. ISGF's levels are: <u>Level 1</u> - 2,17 per member, <u>Level 2</u> - 1,45 per member, and <u>Level 3</u> - 0,72 per member.

Diagram 1. Number of members in Europe Region NSGFs, based on available information on ISGF website.



The membership numbers are from 2012-2015, depending on the information available.

The Europe committee is of the opinion that it would be fair to take into account both the number of members in the countries and the income level in the countries.

It is proposed that the basis would be the number of members and the following table would be used:

Diagram 2. Proposed fee categories based on numbers of members.

No members	embers Fee €	
<124	15	
125-399	20	
400-999	30	
1000-1999	60	
2000-3999	75	
>4000	130	

Those countries that have an income level (Gross Domestic Product GDP) of less than 30,000 US dollars would get a 33% reduction, and those who have an income level (Gross Domestic Product GDP) of more than 75,000 US dollars would get a 20% increase.

Diagram 3. Proposed fee categories based on GDP.

GDP	Revised	Member countries	
	fee		
10000	-33 %	Romania	
14026	-33 %	Hungary	
14336	-33 %	Poland	
16489	-33 %	Lithuania	
18500	-33 %	Slovakia	
19502	-33 %	Czech Rep.	
20147	-33 %	Estonia	
21672	-33 %	Greece	
22124	-33 %	Portugal	
27194	-33 %	Cyprus	
29721	-33 %	Spain	
35222		Italy	
42627		France	
46297		United Kingdom	
47327		Belgium	
47773		Germany	
49842		Finland	
51122		Austria	
52036		Iceland	
54339		Ireland	
58898		Sweden	
60718		Denmark	
88002	+20 %	Switzerland	
97299	+20 %	Norway	
116726	+20 %	Luxembourg	
149160	+20 %	Liechtenstein	

The number of members would be checked each year and the fee adjusted based on the previous year (or the latest information available).

The Gross Domestic Product GDP would be calculated based on the latest information available.

Diagram 4. Proposed fees based on numbers of members and GDP. Countries in alphabetic order.

		Fee based	Revised
Member country	Members	on	fee based
		members	also on GDP
Austria	3353	75	75
Belgium	5180	130	130
Cyprus	150	20	15
Czech Rep.	3138	75	50
Denmark	4654	130	130
Estonia 2012	40	15	10
Finland	575	30	30
France	1252	60	60
Germany	566	30	30
Greece	1422	60	40
Hungary	52	15	10
Iceland	218	20	20
Ireland	218	20	20
Italy	5940	130	130
Liechtenstein	150	20	25
Lithuania	60	15	10
Luxembourg	187	20	25
Norway	1326	60	70
Poland	2817	75	50
Portugal	2137	75	50
Romania	37	15	10
Slovakia	125	20	15
Spain	440	30	20
Sweden	659	30	30
Switzerland	466	30	40
United Kingdom	251	20	20
		_	1,115

The proposal would mean that the Europe Region would yearly receive starting from 2017 an income from membership fees amounting to 1,115 Euro. It would be almost exactly the same, as it has been during previous years, when each country paid 40 Euro.

The contents of next diagram contain the same information as the previous diagram, but countries are listed in the order of the fee amounts to be paid.

Diagram 5. Proposed fees based on numbers of members and GDP

