

INTERNATIONAL AMBASSADORS GUILD

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Dear Friends,

After a long absence, here we are again, wishing you Happy, Peaceful and Healthy New Year, 2023. Our special wish is to recruit new IAG members and of course to support new projects.

The last 3 years have not been easy worldwide and very few events were organised. Thanks to technology we stayed connected and IAG held online meetings and 2 General Assemblies.

In 2022, there were a few ISGF events in which IAG members took part, presentations were made and new members were welcomed.

In May in Selfoss Iceland there was the Nordic Baltic Gathering and in October in Ayia Napa, Cyprus the Mediterranean/South Europe Gathering.

Furthermore, we are pleased to confirm that despite the difficulties of the last 3 years, IAG has supported projects in Kenya and Ivory Coast.

The good news for 2023 is that on Sunday, March 26, IAG will hold its General Assembly in Brussels and later, July 29 to August 3, there will be a meeting of the Ambassador's Guild during the ISGF Europe Region Conference in Ranum Jutland, Denmark,

Both provide very good opportunities to meet again in person.

Hoping to see you there.

On behalf of IAG Board

Nana Gentimi

Chairman

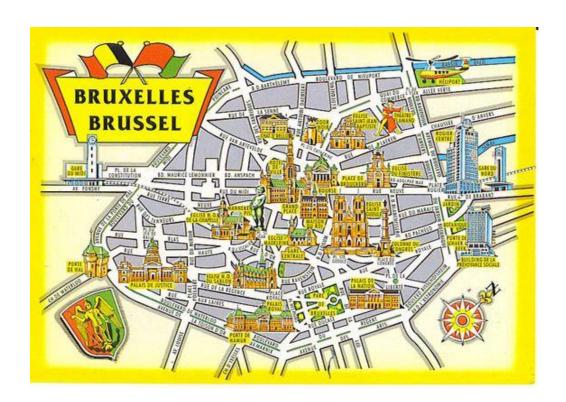
More about the IAG General Assembly, 2023

You will soon receive an invitation to participate in the General Assembly (GA) in Brussels, to be held during the weekend of March 25-26, 2023. As with previous years we leave it to you to arrange your own accommodation in Brussels.

Brussels offers a wide variety of interesting sights to visit and Saturday gives this opportunity for anyone interested. On Saturday evening we plan to have dinner together at "La Porteuse d'Eau" in Brussels. Please confirm your interest so we can make the reservation.

The G.A will be on Sunday at 1 p.m. at "Les Scouts Pluralists" Avenue de la Porte de Hal, 38 B-1060 Brussels.

We will be very happy to see you there.





Meeting of I.A.G. members and friends during the 17the Mediterranean /6thSouth Europe Gathering, in Aya Napa Cyprus, 24-29 October 2022

We were happy to welcome **10 new members** to International Ambassadors Guild, and make new friends. That makes us more optimistic to continue our effort to support projects of scouting and guiding groups around the world

Having fun with members and friends in Ayia Napa











PROJECTS SUPPORTED IN 2021 AND 2022

Despite the problems caused by the pandemic, IAG was able to support some projects mainly as follow-up of previous projects, in Kenya and Ivory Coast

We do hope that we will receive applications from scout and guide groups and we will be very happy to support them.

KENYA



From the scout and guide group in Kinyago slum Nairobi, Kenya, we have had excellent reports on the activities they have done. The group focus on leader training and projects on the environment. They have regular training programmes during camps in Pigeon Park, a camp site near Nyeri. The group is doing a good work in the local community. They are growing in numbers. Here are some examples:





KENYA, 22 February 2021

Kinyago Ladies Group, Nairobi

Thinking Day, Environmental Day, tree planting. St Johns community center, speeches, slogans, 14 trees planted, got milk and bread at the end. 550 participants



KENYA 6-9 October 2021

Kinyago Ladies Group, Nairobi receiving training on various topics at PIGEON PARK Nyeri. 13 leaders +3 trainers were present



KENYA, 27 November 2021, KINYGAO LADIES CBO, Clean-up project

Ivory Coast



Great job! In August 2022 Eclaireuses et Eclaireurs de France (groupe Lapérouse de Boulogne Billancourt) came to Abidjan to participate in the contacting camp and work with Eclaireuses et Eclaireurs de Côte d'Ivoire in order to finish the dormitories and sanitary facilities of the extension building (4) of the Kimou N'Guess an Faustin Centre in Agboville.











With 14 days of actual work they managed to finish the dormitories and training centre.









The ceremony to mark the completion of the work, was on 16 August 2022 with the presence of many State officials and Martine Levy, who has worked on the project for many years





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