

Agenda GM

1. Opening of General Meeting

Welcoming speeches by the hosting town and president of Douzelage
Giving the opportunity to add points to the agenda
Settle the agenda

2. Approval of the Agros GM minutes

Approval of the minutes of GM in Agros, 08-10 October 2021

3. Approval of the accounts 2021 (January 2021 - December 2021)

- Brief explication on financial status of Douzelage account by Harry Crombag, treasurer Douzelage Europe
- The Douzelage accounts are checked by two auditors: Donatella Gandola (Bellagio) and Veronika Marešová (Sušice)
- Statement by Donatella on the Douzelage account of 2020 and 2021
- Granting discharge by the auditors
- Appointing one new auditor and thanking Donatella Gandola for her work

4. Annual Douzelage membership

- Due to the consequences of Covid-19 the annual fee in 2020 en 2021 was set low, respectively € 100,- and € 175,-.
- As of 2022 it is proposed to remain at the amount of € 350,- according to the decision taken in Sesimbra (2003).
The invoices will be send after this GM.

5. Translation

Unfortunately Fay and Jean-Claude Guerry cannot be present this GM.
We have an interpreter from Škofja Loka, who will help out.

6. Extra amendments to the constitution

1. In addition to paragraph 4b. of the constitution:
Whenever the President is not able to attend the GM, he/she will appoint one of the Vice-presidents to chair the GM.
(Rovinj/Rovigno: Maria Crnac-Rocco)
2. The need for two votes per town is questioned.
(Köszeg: Béla Báthy)

7. New Codicil of Charter of Douzelage Partner Towns

The last charter was signed not too long ago in Bad Kötzting in 2017. In 2018 Prienai (Lithuania) officially left Douzelage and in that same year we welcomed a new town - Rokiškis - to the Douzelage Family.
We need to set a date for signing the new charter: Rovinj/Rovigno?

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8. Guest from Ukraine

The youth meeting will welcome a guest from Ukraine, part of the Siret delegation.
Depending on the program of the YM, we are given the opportunity to listen to her story.

9. (Social) Media and PR

When having a Douzelage visit/exchange/project think of our **douzelage.eu** website!
Please send your text and photos to the Secretariat: secretariat.presidency@douzelagemeerssen.nl

Instagram: Feed by Shane Smyth, Annigje Kruytbosch, Julian Preidl and Ovidiu Oniciuc.
You are welcome to join as editor. Let us know!

Facebook: We are still looking for editors from certain towns. (page 5)

10. Past projects and activities within our towns

Altea, Mari Angeles Berenguer and Sesimbra, Anabela Gato:	Music Interchange between Altea and Sesimbra with "Sociedad Filharmónica Alteanense" (Altea) and "Zana Batuta Orquestra" (Sesimbra)
Bad Kötzting, Julian Preidl:	Juniors for Seniors, active ageing, event 5: housing for juniors and seniors
Bundoran, Shane Smyth:	Saint Patrick's Day 2022 with Bundoran, Sherborne, Bad Kötzting, Altea, Siret, Tryavna and Meerssen Global Greening in 2022
Chojna, Cezary Salamonczyk:	Focus on health, programme POWER, partners: Portugal (Arcos de Valdevez), Romania (Siret), Hungary (Kőszeg) and Slovenia (Velenje)
Kőszeg, Istvan Matrai	Erasmus+, "Help Everyone Achieve lifelong total Health"
Meerssen, Wil Schrijnemaekers:	"Lëtzebuergse Kniddels" treat from Niederanven in Meerssen
Siret, Tibi Rotaru	Joint Douzelage collection of money and goods for the Ukrainian refugees in Siret
Tryavna, Miha Jese (Škofja Loka):	Slaveykovi celebrations in Tryavna

Did we miss something? Please let us know a.s.a.p. and take your presentation with you to Škofja Loka.

11. Ongoing projects and activities within our towns

Chojna, Cezary Salamonczyk:	Focus on climate, POWER, partners: Portugal (Arcos de Valdevez), Hungary (Kőszeg) and Slovenia (Škofja Loka)
Chojna, Cezary Salamonczyk:	Game Based Learning For Development of Problem Solving Skills, Erasmus+, partners from Turkey, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Romania and Portugal
Chojna, Cezary Salamonczyk:	From training to work, Erasmus+, partners: Romania (Siret), Malta (Marsaskala) and Hungary (Kőszeg)
Meerssen, Herman Langenveld:	Via Douzelage
Škofja Loka, Miha Jese:	Juniors for Seniors, active ageing, event 6 in Škofja Loka

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12. Photo contest Škofja Loka

Finally together again - use your camera to celebrate!

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13. (Future) projects and activities within our towns

Bundoran, Shane Smyth: Douzelage Festival of Europe 2022 with Bundoran, Sherborne, Sušice, Škofja Loka and Meerssen

Saint Patrick's Day 2023 and Global Greening 2023

Chojna, Cezary Salamonczyk: European Internships, Erasmus+, partners: Romania (Siret), Malta (Marsaskala) and Hungary (Kőszeg)

Chojna, Cezary Salamonczyk: Career counselling - practical approach, Erasmus+, partners: Hungary (Kőszeg), Slovenia, Romania (Siret) and Turkey

Granville, Jean-Marc Julienne: 40 years of twinning between Sherborne and Granville

Meerssen, Alexander Luns: Free Press under Pressure with Bad Kötzting, Bundoran, Granville, Kőszeg, Rokiškis, Sherborne, Sigulda, Siret, Škofja Loka, Sušice, Tryavna, Zvolen and Meerssen

Who wants to share more future projects and activities with us?

14. Autumn Meeting Mayors of Douzelage

In Agros was suggested to host a Mayors Meeting every two years. Do we continue organising these meetings?

And who would like to host one and when?

15. Program for further meetings

2023 Rovinj/Rovigno (instead of 2024)

2024 SURPRISE!! (instead of Marsaskala)

2025 Preveza

2026 Marsaskala?

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16. Presentation of Rovinj/Rovigno and setting a date

The hosts of the GM in 2023 will give you further information and propose the following date: 4th to 7th of May 2023

17. Who will host the GM in 2024?

Revealing the host town for the GM in 2024 plus setting an approximate date

18. New chair for Education

A new chair will be chosen by the EM.

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19. **New president for the youth**
A new youth president and vice president will be chosen by the YM.
20. **Any Other Business**
Time for questions and announcements
21. **Closing the General Meeting 2022**

Please check if the editors are still active within (your) Douzelage (town).
And please think of Facebook members who could be your town editor if your town does not have any.

Info to: secretariat.presidency@douzelagemeerssen.nl

Towns:

Agros	Nicolas Christofi	Niederanven	X
Altea	Vicenta Perez	Oxelösund	Catharina Fredriksson
Assikala	Merja Palokangas	Preveza	X
Bad Kötzting	Markus Hofmann	Rokiškis	Wilme Wilmelee/Irena Mateliene
Bellagio	Donatella Gandola	Rovinj/Rovigno	Maria Rocco
Bundoran	Shane Smyth	Sesimbra	X
Chojna	X	Sherborne	Marcus Ainley
Granville	Laure Coulombier/Pascale Vallee	Sigulda	Sabīne Birzniece
Holstebro	Jette Hingebjerg	Siret	Tibi Rotaru
Houffalize	Manuela di Pinto	Škofja Loka	X
Judenburg	Thorsten Wohleser/Eva Volkar	Sušice	Eva Beníšková
Köszeg	Kitti Mércz	Tryavna	Daniela Mutova
Marsaskala	Rebecca Micalief/Sandro Gatt	Türi	X
Meerssen	X (Annijje)	Zvolen	Laszlova Zuzka

Education:

X

Youth:

Ovidiu Oniciuc
Lizzie Dores

Board:

Annijje Kruytbosch
Mette Grith Sørensen

Webmaster:

Alexander Luns

Douzelage Photo Contest

Finally together again – use your camera to celebrate

Remember to bring your camera – no matter whether it is your mobile or a professional SLR camera – to Škofja Loka, because we are celebrating, that we can meet and hug again, by re-introducing the Douzelage Photo Contest.

We did have the contest in 2018 in Oxelösund, Sweden, and in 2019 in Asikkala, Finland, but after that – as you all know - corona put a stop to all fun and getting together. In 2021 we met on a small scale in Agros, without youth and education meetings. For that reason no photo contest was organized in that year.

We are now finally able to organize the photo contest again, this time in beautiful Škofja Loka in Slovenia, and thus it is time to reintroduce the competition: The third edition of the Douzelage Photo Contest.

And yes, there is a price. In addition to the honour of being the 2022-winner, you can also win 150 euro.

There is no price for the runner up. Sorry. But the three best photos will be chosen for the next exhibition of Douzelage-photos at the GM in 2023.

The rules are:

1. The Theme is **“Škofja Loka/Finally together again”**. That means, that the winning photo has to show both friendship and a recognizable spot in Škofja Loka.
2. **Each participant can only enter one (1) photo**, so that the judges do not have to look through hundreds of photos. The judges are the President and a real-life press photographer.
3. **You must send your entry before 12th of September 2022** to secretariat.presidency@douzelagemeerssen.nl The winner will be announced on Friday 30th of September.
4. **By entering, you agree to having your photo and name published on the Douzelage website.** All photo entries will be shown on the website.
5. **There are in principle no restrictions as to what you can do to the photo.** You can go for the original, “clean” photo or you can use photoshop or some other enhancement program to manipulate the photo – it is your decision. Your photo needs to be of good to excellent digital quality: at least more than 2MB.

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2025	Spring	Preveza	49				■	
2024	Spring	?????	48					
2023	Spring	Rovinj/Rovigno	47		■			
2022	Summer	Škofja Loka	46		■			
2021	Autumn	Agros	45		■			
2020	Spring	Škofja Loka	45	cancelled				
2019	Spring	Asikkala	44		■			
2018	Spring	Oxelosünd	43			■		
2017	Spring	Bad Kötzing	42				■	
2016	Spring	Tryavna	41		■			
2015	Spring	Siret	40		■			
2014	Spring	Sigulda	39		■			
2013	Spring	Bellagio	38				■	
2012	Spring	Zvolen	37		■			
2011	Spring	Granville	36					■
2010	Spring	Susice	35		■			
2009	Spring	Altea	34				■	
2008	Spring	Chojna	33		■			
2008	Autumn	Türi	32		■			
2007	Spring	Köszeg	31			■		
2006	Autumn	Sherborne	30				■	
2006	Spring	Köszeg		project meeting cancelled	■			
2006	Spring	Bellagio		cancelled				
2005	Autumn	Meerssen	29				■	
2005	Spring	Bundoran	28			■		
2004	Autumn	Granville	27				■	
2004	Spring	Judenburg	26		■			
2003	Autumn	Holstebro	25			■		
2003	Spring	Sesimbra	24			■		
2002	Autumn	Houffalize	23			■		
2002	Spring	Oxelosünd	22		■			
2001	Autumn	Karkkila	21		■			
2001	Spring	Niederanven	20			■		
2000	Autumn	Preveza	19			■		
2000	Spring	Altea	18			■		
1999	Autumn	Bad Kötzing	17			■		
1999	Spring	Sherborne	16			■		
1998	Autumn	Meerssen	15			■		
1998	Spring	Bellagio	14			■		
1997	Autumn	Granville	13			■		
1997	Spring	Bundoran	12		■			
1996	Autumn	Holstebro	11		■			
1996	Spring	Sesimbra	10		■			
1995	Autumn	Houffalize	9		■			
1995	Spring	Niederanven	8		■			
1994	Autumn	Altea	7		■			
1994	Spring	Preveza	6		■			
1993	Autumn	---			■			
1993	Spring	Bad Kötzing	5		■			
1992	Autumn	Sherborne	4		■			
1992	Spring	Bellagio	3		■			
1991	Autumn	Meerssen	2		■			
1991	Spring	Granville	1		■			

Towns

