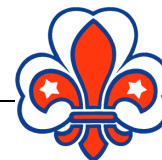


Name of NSGF	VERBAND DEUTSCHER ALTPFADFINDERGILDEN E.V.
Abbreviation	VDAPG
Region	Europe
Sub-region	Central Europe (SRZE)
Affiliated since	1971
Office	No office, contact worldbureau@isgf.org
Structure organisation	Independent
Website	www.vdapg.de
Facebook	Verband Deutscher Altpfadfindergilden e.V. VDAPG

549	Census as per 31 December 2025
Do you have a Newsletter?	
Magazine "die gilde" (usually 4 issues a year) Newsletter "Rundschreiben"	
Cooperation and support to Scouting and Guiding in your country.	
We aim to enlist those people who drop out of youth scouting at the age of 25 years into our association to provide them with a network and we help out and connect with the youth groups in our country. We believe that scouting and guiding is not a matter of age but of mind and heart.	
Cooperation and support to the community?	
Our members are organized in guilds of their own and each guild contributes according to what they can do for their community where they are located. We also have corporate members of other Scouting and / or Guiding organisations and organisations related to the topic of Scouting and Guiding. One of our guilds is an inclusive guild that has been working actively to remove barriers that hinder people to partake in Scouting and Guiding.	
Support to a Project	
<p>We support and organise various projects, some of which are joint events with others. Examples of joint events include the "Fachtagung Pfadfinden", a conference at which scientists from all over the world contribute to Scouting on a scientific basis and discuss current topics related to Scouting.</p> <p>We also provide ongoing support to the central archive of the Scout and Guide organisations, where historical items are archived and preserved for future generations. This is located in the Ludwigstein Youth Castle.</p> <p>The "Pfadfinder Hilfsfond" was a charitable organisation associated with the Scouts and Guides, which changed its status from an independent association to a guild within our NSGF, so that we can now continue its activities.</p> <p>In addition to the "Fachtagung Pfadfinden", these activities include financial support for youth scout projects and the awarding of the St. George's Medal to public figures.</p>	



<p>We participate in the Jamboree on the Air/Internet with our guild Schwarzzeltfunker. We also support Harambee Education Kenya, a school project in Nyandiwa that is being carried out in collaboration with other scouts from Liechtenstein and Italy. We helped to install a photovoltaic system that helps the school generate less electricity from a petrol engine, making it more environmentally friendly and financially sustainable. The well at the school and residential complex can only be accessed with the help of an electric pump, so a reliable source of electricity is very important to meet the basic needs of the people living there. We have now expanded the photovoltaic capacity and set up a computer room that can be used by pupils and teachers. The internet connection is also available to the local population.</p>
<p>Support to Fellowship Day</p>
<p>On Fellowship Day our guilds have various activities. Some join international activities with other fellowships.</p>
<p>Support to Thinking/Founders Day</p>
<p>We send greetings to our guilds and international friends in fellowship. Most guilds have meetings on / close to Thinking Day.</p>
<p>Support to the Peace Light</p>
<p>We usually travel to the Peace Light and various of our Guilds hand out the lights in their communities and churches. The German delegation of VDAPG and rdp is limited to 150 members, we usually travel there with at least 15% of the delegation held by VDAPG members. We are the Scouting Organization that first brought the Peace Light into Germany. We are proud of this and ever since have held at least one seat in the joint committee of rdp (youth scouts and guides) and VDAPG to organize the peace light every year.</p>
<p>Support to the Stamp Bank</p>
<p>Our guilds collect stamps and send them to a guild member in Lübeck, where the stamps are handed over to a social project. We also collect glasses and donate them to a social project to support people in need.</p>
<p>Participation in Twinning</p>
<p>We used to have a lot of Twinning ongoing, but many of them had to end due to age and health related issues. We try to revive Twinning activities; a slight problem is that many of our members are concerned about their knowledge of other languages than German</p>
<p>Participation in ISGF events (Conferences and Gatherings)</p>
<p>We participate in gatherings and conferences as much as possible. We send regularly delegates to European and World Conferences. We take also part in SRZE Conferences. We try to join all international gatherings that we can realistically reach like Nordic-Baltic and Western European or Southern European Gatherings.</p>