

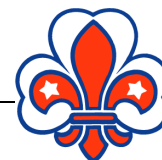


Name of NSGF «JOINT COMMITTEE OF FORMER SCOUTS AND GUIDES OF GREECE»

<b>Abbreviation</b>	JCFSGG/ESPPOE
<b>Region</b>	Europe
<b>Sub-region</b>	South Europe
<b>Affiliated since</b>	1953
<b>Office</b>	Soma hellinon proskopon (SEP), (Greek scouts association), Ptolemeon str. 1, TK 11635 Athens
<b>Structure organization:</b>	1. Central Committee of Former Scouts of Greece (Branch of the Greek Scouts Association, member of WOSM)
<b>Joint Committee</b>	2. Cooperation Section of the Greek Guiding Association (Branch of the Greek Guiding Association member of WAGGGS)
<b>Website</b>	1. <a href="http://www.sep.org.gr">www.sep.org.gr</a> 2. <a href="http://www.seo.gr">www.seo.gr</a>
<b>Facebook</b>	Odigismos (Guides)

<b>1785</b>	<b>Census as per 31 December 2023</b>	
	<b><u>Assoc. 1</u></b>	<b>1277</b>
	<b><u>Assoc. 2</u></b>	<b>508</b>

Any main and/or local activities?	
<p><u>Assoc. 1:</u>          For fundraising some local Fellowships organized outdoors gatherings with food/ barbecue, music, dance          Local Fellowships organized also outdoor activities, such as excursions with insight mainly to environmental issues, cultural visits to historical sites ,visits to Mount Athos (an important center of Eastern Orthodox monasticism) attending religious ceremonies/feast days</p> <p><u>Assoc.2</u>          Local Fellowships for fundraising organized:          Christmas/Easter Bazaars (e.g handicrafts, knitted items, embroideries, jams, traditional sweets, food , all made by the members, lottery etc.)          “Christmas Gala” (lunch, music at hotels/restaurants)          Fleamarkets – Excursions          Gatherings with friends (parties with food,music,dance)</p>	



Local Fellowships organized also:

Outdoor activities such as field trips focused on environment, guided excursions to historical/ archaeological sites, old historical churches and monasteries, walking city tours, visits to art exhibitions, museums, going to the theatre, concerts attending religious ceremonies/feast days.

Cooperation and support to Scouting and Guiding in your country, any national / local activities?

Assoc. 1:

Voluntary administration work to the Greek Scouts Association and to the local scout groups  
 Assistance to the activities of the local Scout groups and the Greek Scouts Association  
 Annual contribution of 25,00 euro per member to the Greek Scouts Association.

Assoc. 2:

Voluntary administrative work to the Greek Guiding Association  
 Annual contribution of 40 euro per member to the Greek Guiding Association  
 Local Fellowships provided:  
 Assistance to local Guides groups in their various activities such as bazaars, celebrations and camps (e.g transporting supplies to the camp, cooking)  
 Financial support to local Guides groups (e.g. for participation in training courses, for camps, purchase of camping equipment, maintenance/ repair of their premises)

Any involvement in community service?

Assoc. 1: Local Fellowships:

- Participation in social activities and donations to NGO's, local communities, etc.
- Good Turn Christmas/Easter
- Humanitarian aid sent to those hit by the devastating floods in Central Greece .
- Humanitarian aid to those affected by the devastating earthquake in Turkey and Syria
- Collection of clothing and food for vulnerable groups
- Participation in tree plantation
- Participation in voluntary Wildlife Rescue groups
- Performances by the theatrical group of a Local Fellowship ( Greek Former Scouts from County Commissions of Alexandria and Cairo) where audience members donated food supplies for families in need in lieu of tickets.

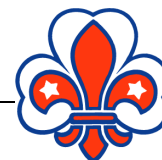
Assoc. 2: Local Fellowships:

- Good Turn Christmas/Easter
- Collected second-hand clothes for people in need
- Provided families in need with food supplies
- Participated in "street cooking" for homeless
- In September 2023 devastating floods occurred in Central Greece (Thessaly region) . The Local Fellowships from all over Greece offered immediate aid (clothes sheets pillows portal /camp beds blankets, food etc.) The local Fellowship of the town of Karditsa which was hit by the floods, undertook the coordination of this effort with great success and was awarded by the Greek Guiding Association for this.

Any international dimension in celebrating Fellowship Day, St Georges Day, Founders Day/World Thinking Day, Peace Light etc?

Assoc. 1:

The Fellowship Day, the Founders' Day and St. George's Day were celebrated in physical presence.



<p><u>Assoc. 2:</u></p> <p>This year, too, Fellowship Day and Thinking Day were celebrated either online or in physical presence. Using online we have the opportunity to celebrate with other local Fellowships from different towns.</p> <p>Some local Fellowships celebrated Thinking Day together with their local Guides groups.</p>
<p>What did you do to increase membership?</p>
<p><u>Assoc.1</u></p> <p>The Central Committee of Former Scouts supports the local Fellowships with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• steady communication with the local Fellowships, with non-affiliated former Scouts and Regional Scouting Commissioners all over Greece</li> <li>• participating in special events organized by the Local Fellowships</li> <li>• encouraging and assisting new Local Fellowships to be established</li> <li>• visiting and supporting Local Fellowships, where necessary.</li> <li>• All this personal contact strengthen the Local Fellowships and contributes to attracting members and younger as well, particularly in the Regions</li> <li>• Communication through Social media contribute significantly to growth and attract new members (posting activities etc)</li> </ul>
<p><u>Assoc.2</u></p> <p>The regular visits of the Board of the Cooperation Section to local Fellowships all over Greece to support them and to identify and solve problems and difficulties and the end of the pandemic as well resulted not only in keeping our membership numbers but also in an increase. The personal contact and the contact through social media are very important and effective “tools”.</p>
<p>Do you collect stamps for the ISGF Stamp Bank?</p>
<p>Not any longer but we are planning to examine the possibility of restarting stamp collection.</p>
<p>Are you familiar with Twinning, are the Twinning contacts still active, do you wish to start Twinning but need assistance for that?</p>
<p>Twining is in our plans. We are aware of the procedure</p>
<p>Do your members participate in sub-regional / regional / world gatherings / conferences? If no, why not.</p>
<p>In August 2023 we participated in the 11th European Conference held in Denmark</p>