

Eligibility and travel requirements for the ScoutingTrain 2014 project

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Our train ride

The train ride of the ScoutingTrain is scheduled from August 5th, 2014 until August, 13th, 2014. Deviations up to two days are possible. The precise dates will be fixed in June 2014, since the Russian railway does fix their schedule only then.

The destination is Russia and the train ride of the ScoutingTrain starts in Moscow. The participants organize their trip to Moscow individually (if they do not book the variant described above).

The course of the trip is planned as follows:

	01.08.2014		Arrival of the participants in Moscow (on your own)	
till	05.08.2014		Stay in Moscow (among other things, a city hunt)	
	05.08.2014	till	12.08.2014	Train ride with planned stops in Perm, Omsk, and Novosibirsk
	12.08.2014	till	16.08.2014	Camp at Lake Baikal in Russia (a longer stay, planned individually, is possible, though not covered by the participation fee)
as of	16.08.2014		Return trip or journey on (on your own)	

Preparation and wrap-up

There are obligatory wagon meetings with your appointed wagon to prepare the journey prior to the train ride. Your appointed wagon is a sub-group of the project consisting of about 34 teenagers and young adults and 6 adults in charge as project leaders (conductors). The team of the wagon will inform you about date, duration, place and further conditions of the meetings.

On November 9th, 2014 is an optional final event for all participants in Berlin – the event is not covered by the participation fee. There is a separate registration for this event later.

Trip to Moscow

In general you are responsible for your own trip to Moscow. If you would like to join the collective travel you have the following option:

Train ride from Berlin to Moscow in a couchette coach for 150 EUR. Departure on July, 31st, 2014 from Berlin Hbf. Arrival in Moscow on August 1st, 2014. Please indicate on your registration if we should book the collective trip to Moscow for you and pay 150 EUR until May 15th, 2014. If the money is not received in time, we do not book.

Return trip from Irkutsk

In general you are responsible for your own return trip. For those who do not want to plan the return trip on their own, we offer a collective travel. We reserved a contingent of seat with Aeroflot for 550 EUR.

Please indicate on your registration if we should book the collective return trip from Irkutsk for you and pay 550 EUR until June 15th. If you book the trip but can not attend you can not get the money back (100% cancellation fee).

This fee consists of the following

- A. A registration fee of 150 EUR. This fee has to be payed immediately and has to be payed to the account of the BdP by May 15th, 2014. (The organizer may schedule a later date if a participant learns about his participation later.) The registration is only valid upon receipt of the registration fee and transmission of the approval of the eligibility requirements.
- B. The amount of 350 EUR, remaining after payment of the registration fee, has to be payed to the account of the BdP by May 15th, 2014.
- C. Further attendances that the participants may book individually via the BdP:
 - a. If a participant does not book its journal to Moscow individually but attend the trip on July 31st, 2014 from Berlin HbF together with other participants, further 150 EUR incur, due to May 30th, 2014.

If the participant does not show up for the trip, a cancellation charge up to 100% may apply. The cancellation charge has to be payed by the participant and can not be covered by the organizer.

- b. If a participant wants to book the return trip by plane from Irkutsk to various European airports (with Aeroflot) at various daten (see details below) another 550 EUR are due to June 15th, 2014.

If a participant does not show up for the trip a cancellation charge up to 100% may apply. The cancellation charge has to be payed by the participant and can not be covered by the organizer.

Participants who have problems to fund their expenses, may apply for a stipend (see www.scoutingtrain.org/stipendienfond_EN.pdf for further information).

Travel conditions

Eligibility conditions and formation of contract

You have to be born before July 30th, 1998. Additionally, you can only take part in the project ScoutingTrain if you are a member of the BdP or one of its partner organizations or if you have a special agreement with the BdP. The most important condition for your participation is the written registration that has to be signed personally and (if you are not of full age) by your parents. You have to send it by fax or mail till the 15th of May to the BdP headquarter (contact data on page 1).

The contract of participation is only valid after the BdP has sent you a written confirmation of your registration.

The BdP is eligible to withdraw from the contract of participation if a payment is not made within the agreed time limit.

Change of the participation fee and cancellation

If the BdP withdraws from the contract for some of the above mentioned reasons, you have to make up for any caused loss. This amounts to a lump-sum of 150 EUR before May 31st, 2014 and is compensated with the registration fee. After May 31st, 2014, the fee is up to 100% of the whole amount, depending on the caused loss. The BdP may also claim for further losses.

The participation fee is based, among other things, on the exchange rate for the Russian Ruble and the Euro. We act on the assumption that the participation fee will not rise and possible rising prices can be compensated by a decrease of other positions in the budget. The BdP reserves the right to change the participation fee after the formation of contract for legitimate reasons (change of travel costs, taxes, exchange rates of the like) to the extent justified by the legitimate reasons if there are more than two months between the formation of contract and the beginning of the journey. If this would come to effect, we inform you immediately, but no later than 21 days prior to the beginning of the journey. A raise of the participation fee later than 20 days before the beginning of the journey by the BdP is not possible.

Withdrawal from the contract

In general, the contract between you and the BdP is binding. A right of withdrawal exists only for legitimate reasons (according to German laws) unless these regulations contain further rules.

If you withdraw from the contract without permission or not attend the journey, you have to make good for the caused loss for the BdP. The rules for the case of late payment (see above) apply correspondingly. You have to send your withdrawal in written form to the BdP or registration@scoutingtrain.org only. Other ways will not be accepted.

Besides legal reasons you may withdraw without liability of damages under the following conditions:

- withdrawal earlier than six weeks after to receipt of the confirmation of participation (date of receipt at the BdP) if your registration was within the deadline, or
- in case of a raise of the participation fee by more than 10%. The right of withdrawal has to be claimed immediately after the raise of the fee has been announced.

A missing waiver for schooling or a missing visum for the Russian Federation or Belarus does not allow for a withdrawal without liability of damages.

If the train ride does not take place, the BdP may withdraw from the contract with you. In general you will get the participation fee (minus the registration fee) back. This does not apply if the cancellation is due to natural disasters, acts of terrorism or other reasons that are not under the influence of the BdP.

The amount of back-payment will be calculated lumped according to the rules of loss in the case of non-payment. You may document a lower or higher loss. The BdP may also claim for further losses.

Besides legal reasons the BdP may withdraw from the contract if you act against this contract such that the immediate annihilation of the contract is justified and you have been warned in written form.

Besides this, the BdP may withdraw under the following circumstances:

- if you do not attend the preparation meetings or do answer to inquiries from the ScoutingTrain Executive Board or the wagon team
- if you did not answer all health care questions truly
- if other important reason make it unacceptable for the BdP to keep the contract

In these cases, the BdP keeps the claim on the participation fee as lumped compensation. In this cases, you have to pay for potential additional costs for the return trip for yourself

You may claim for a higher or lower damage. The BdP may also claim for further losses.

Services

The following contractual services are covered by the participation fee:

- wagon meeting (preparation meeting including travel costs according to the agreement with the wagon)
- train trip from Moscow to Irkutsk
- in Russia: full board and lodging (partly self cooked) and program
- insolvency insurance

Not included in the participation fee are:

- travel cancelation expenses insurance
- luggage insurance
- travel costs for further meeting that may be scheduled
- personal expenses during the trip
- trip to Moscow (unless book explicitly with the registration)
- return trip from Irkutsk (unless book explicitly with the registration)

Your further contractual obligations

You have to take care of valid travel documents. For citizens of the Schengen countries this means that you need a passport and a visum to enter the Russian Federation. For the journey through Belarus a transit visum is needed (e.g. for a train trip from Berlin to Moscow). The ScoutingTrain Executive Board may assist you to purchase a visum, however, you have to spring into action yourself.

If you are not a citizen of a Schengen country, please read up on respective regulations and needed documents. Missing or invalid travel documents are not a valid reason for withdrawel with full discharge of debtor (e.g. your passport needs to be valid for more that six month past the stay in Russia).

You need to answer all health care questions on the registration truly

The health care questions are necessary since health care can only be provided on the basis of the given information. We ensure confidentiality of your information. Due to the large distance, unplanned return flights are possible only for diagnosed medical emergencies.

Special agreements

Special agreements are only valud if the BdP has confirmed in written form. Oral agreements have no legal effects. The ineffectiveness of single regulations in this contract to not lead to the ineffectiveness of the whole contract.

The following contingents are available:

Air route from Irkutsk				
Date	From Irkutsk (IKT)	Persons	Destination	Arrival
16.08.2014	06:30	80	Berlin-SXF	13:20
			Hamburg	11:30
			Warschau	11:50
			Düsseldorf	09:55
16.08.2014	12:55	120	Prag	16:50
			München	16:45
			Frankfurt	17:50
			Wien	17:10
17.08.2014	06:30	60	Berlin-SXF	13:20
			Hamburg	11:30
			Warschau	11:50
			Düsseldorf	09:55
17.08.2014	12:55	140	Prag	16:50
			München	16:45
			Frankfurt	17:50
			Wien	17:10
18.08.2014	06:30	100	Berlin-SXF	13:20
			Hamburg	11:30
			Warschau	11:50
			Düsseldorf	09:55
18.08.2014	12:55	80	Prag	16:50
			München	16:45
			Frankfurt	17:50
			Wien	17:10