CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Sophie Wittemans Fund

1. Information about the fund

A. Objective of the Fund

The objective of the Fund is to encourage research into the history of Guiding and Scouting in Belgium (including former colonies and other related entities such as the Belgian Forces in Germany), with a view to publications on the subject.

The Fund supports financially:

- 1) **Research projects** carried out by researchers of all nationalities, either individually or collectively. This research may cover all aspects of Belgian Guiding and Scouting in all its dimensions (local, regional, national, interfederal, etc.), including the international level.
- 2) **Publication projects** in any form (paper, audio, video, podcasts, etc.) of the results of research on Belgian scouting and guiding history carried out with or without the support of the Fund, in collaboration with publishers.

Support will be provided on the basis of qualitative, useful and costed projects submitted to the Fund's Management Committee. Support can be given at each stage of the research or publication, where it will be most useful for its realisation. Publications may be produced on different types of media.

All types of work and formats are accepted: (illustrated) book, monograph, biography, reportage, exhibition catalogue, scientific and historical presentation of documents, objects, archives, interviews, films, etc.

B. Financial support

The Sophie Wittemans Fund grants financial support with a maximum budget of € 4,000.

The call is addressed to anyone interested in or active in the field of the history of scouting and guiding in Belgium.

Selection procedure

The **selection process** is carried out by the Management Committee which meets once a year. If necessary, it calls on the advice of independent experts. The Management Committee does not give reasons for its decisions, which are final.

Each applicant is informed in writing of the outcome of the selection. All selected projects are subject to an agreement providing for a control procedure regarding the allocation of support.



Eligibility and selection criteria

To be considered, applications must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- The promoter of the project is either an **individual** submitting a personal work carried out by him or her alone, or a **representative** of a community, a non-profit organisation, an institution or a group of volunteers or a local public institution initiating a project of a historical nature, but in no case a commercial organisation.
- The work must be relevant to the objective of the Fund, as defined above.

In its selection, the committee will take into account the following criteria

- the **promising nature** of the research;
- the **innovative nature** of the subject;
- the **contribution** of the project **to the community** (dissemination, target audience, etc.);
- the quality of the implementation of the project;
- the **long-term effect of the project** (exemplary value of the project, etc.);
- **Short-term goal**: results or next step(s) to be achieved in the short term.

2. How to participate

To participate, candidates must complete a specific application form. This application form can be downloaded from www.kbs-frb.be (search for 'Wittemans'). More information about the fund is available at www.bonnescauses.be.

The following annexes are required:

- *Curriculum Vitae* of the applicant and/or description of the community he/she represents *;
- For research*: detailed description of the research plan, including at least the methodology, the precise objectives, the results obtained and the places where the research will be carried out.
- For publications*: a copy of the submitted work, published or not, must be attached to the file (in PDF format). If the work is still in progress, a detailed summary of the work is required as well as the table of contents and a significant extract;
- detailed estimate of project costs*;
- photos of the project.

The annexed marked with an asterisk, mentioned in the application file, are compulsory. If these do not apply to you, please add a document indicating "not applicable".

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