



NAVIGAMUS 18

DEAR GUIDES & SCOUTS AND OUR FRIENDS,

This is your official invitation to attend the 9th international camp of sea scouts, **Navigamus 2018**. The event is open to all guide and scout groups and to individuals too.

Do you have a positive attitude to the water?

Do you want to see how Czech sea scouting works?

Do you want to meet new friends from other countries?

Join **NAVIGAMUS 18!**

Navigamus 2018	9th international camp of sea scouts
Duration	Thursday 7 th June to Sunday 10 th June
Location	Camp Modřín in Lipno nad Vltavou, in southern Bohemia, Czech Republic 15km from Austria; 60km from Germany; 200km from Prague;
Participants	More than 1000 boys and girls scouts from the Czech Republic and other countries. Young participants will be at age of 6-20 years.
Camp fee	€ 55, - (possible discounts for large groups, regular attendees ...)
Contact	www.navigamus.cz www.facebook.com/navigamus international@navigamus.cz

We are looking forward to all international participants and hope that it will be good chance to share scout ideas and new experiences from this event!

Thank you for sharing this invitation to other guides & scouts via your usual communication channels in your country.

Yours Sincerely,

Lukáš Bíca, Leader of Navigamus 2018



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Who are the Czech sea (water) scouts?

The Czech Sea scouts are part of the Junák – Association of the Scouts and Guides of the Czech Republic, the main Czech scouting organization. There are currently over 3800 child and adult members in the Czech Sea scouts. We share our history, founding ideas, and the main components of our program with the leading organization. However, our program extends to water tourism and other water-related activities. For example, we canoe and kayak down rivers and sail on lakes and dams for our summer camps. This sets us apart from the rest of the organization. We also have our unique class of scout boat, uniforms, symbols and traditions. One of these traditions is NAVIGAMUS.



What is NAVIGAMUS?

“Navigamus” is a Latin translation of a word from a popular Czech water scouts song meaning “we sail”. It reminds us to look to the future with hope, as the Scouts in the Czech Republic have been disbanded three times throughout history.

The event is meant to be a gathering of all water scouts from all over the Czech Republic. Guests from other countries are cordially welcome, with water scouts from Slovakia, Poland and Ukraine participating regularly. Drawing on inspiration from significant naval anniversaries, Navigamus takes place every three years at one of the larger bodies of water in the Czech Republic. Previous Navigamus themes were:

- NAVIGAMUS 1994 – 50th anniversary of D - day
- NAVIGAMUS 1997 – 500th anniversary of circumnavigation of Africa by Vasco de Gama
- NAVIGAMUS 2000 – 300th anniversary of conception of the pirate state of Tortuga
- NAVIGAMUS 2003 – 60th anniversary of the battle of Guadalcanal
- NAVIGAMUS 2006 – 650th anniversary of conception of the Hanseatic League
- NAVIGAMUS 2009 – commemoration of Sindbad's sailings
- NAVIGAMUS 2012 – 100th anniversary of the first and last sailing of the Titanic
- NAVIGAMUS 2015 – 210th anniversary of the battle of Trafalgar

The theme of the upcoming Navigamus 2018 is the 600th anniversary of the sea voyages of admiral Cheng Ho. Legendary Chinese admiral Cheng Ho was one of the most significant voyagers of the



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Middle Ages who made seven expeditions in the Indian Ocean and Western Pacific. We will visit various parts of the world, take part in admiral's diplomatic missions in the Indian Ocean and soak up the atmosphere of medieval trading. We want our children to experience individual courage, teamwork and partnership as part of a group, and belief in a shared goal, all of which are important life inspirations.

Get ready for Navigamus 2018?

From now on you have the opportunity to take part in smaller and bigger tasks which will carry you to the old China times and reveal the interesting facts about the time of life of Cheng Ho.

There will be 3-4 big tasks and you are supposed to fulfil them in a team of people who will participate in Navigamus in June 2018. Performing these tasks will also become useful during Navigamus 2018. There will be small tasks as well and you decide whether you fulfil them individually or in a team.

These voluntary tasks will be assessed and all the materials such as photos, videos etc. will be presented within Navigamus 2018.

All details about event introduction can be found on the web www.navigamus.cz.

Camp Fee

The camp fee for international guests is € 55,-. There's possibility of discounts for large groups, regular attendees of the Navigamus etc. - Just ask for it.

This includes the costs for program, food and the camp site infrastructure.

The camp fee does not include the journey to and from the Navigamus 2018, sightseeing tours ...

Registration

There's no special registration form for international participants. All your registrations will be processed manually with accent on individual needs. Send email to international@navigamus.cz and we will do our best to answer all your questions and arrange your visit on the Navigamus 2018.



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