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More than 1.3 million scouts and guides participate at the JOTA-JOTI 2018, the Jamboree on the Internet



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Jota Joti in Oman.

On 19, 20 and 21 October, the JOTA-JOTI 2018 will take place, with scouts from around the world connecting through the airwaves and Internet to learn from the experiences of friends from around the world.

The **61st Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)** and the **22nd Jamboree On The Internet (JOTI)**, or [JOTA – JOTI 2018](#), is an annual **event where scouts from around the world can connect using the airwaves** (radio amateurs) and carry their voices to the other side of the world. During these days, they can meet scouts and guides from several countries, exchange ideas, learn about other cultures and customs, and make new friends. Ultimately, they can feel they belong to a global movement with more than 40 million people.

This event is promoted by the [World Organization of the Scout Movement \(WOSM\)](#) to boost the sense of belonging of scouts and guides to the global Scout Movement, which has more than 30 million members.

The JOTA-JOTI allows participants to meet scouts and guides from several countries, **exchange ideas and learn about other cultures and customs, and make new friends**. It is an exciting experience where children and youths use a wide range of channels of technological **communication to teach, raise cultural awareness, develop tolerance and improve exchanges, collaboration and teamwork**, as well as creating a sense of belonging to the global Scout Movement. It is a travel-free Jamboree happening wherever you are in the world.

Using amateur radio techniques is possible thanks to **thousands of radio amateur volunteers** supporting the JOTA with their knowledge, equipment and enthusiasm. Like with the JOTA, the JOTI connects young scouts through the Internet.

The organizers of the JOTA-JOTI strive to get a significant commitment from as many youths as possible from everywhere in the world during the thirds weekend in October. This weekend is also the occasion to celebrate the scout movement and generate positive energy to support the development of the Scout and Guide Movement.

The event aims to promote scouting of a high quality that remains truthful to the purpose, principles and methods of scouting, aligned with the needs and expectations of youths in today's world.

The JOTA-JOTI programme will **reflect the scouting promise, law, the principles and the method**, as enshrined in the WOSM Constitution as well as the latest policies and initiatives of the WOSM relating to its youth programme for all ages.

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