## Embracing Change | European Guides and Scouts Actively Integrating Diversity

The important role which Scouts and Guides can play in reaching out to young people from diverse backgrounds has been recognized by the European Commission which recently awarded a grant from the EU Youth in Action Programme to the Europe Region WAGGGS to support the development of diversity-related activities and the Overture Network over the next two years. Beginning with the Overture Meeting in Belgium in March 2013, the grant will support the participation of Guide and Scout leaders from across Europe so they can share best practices, new ideas, programmes and activities, network and develop partnerships in the area of diversity. The grant will also support the development of an online platform where leaders and associations can virtually gather and find documents, tools, best practices and take part in virtual forums to share their experiences about diversity work.

You can get involved in the project by becoming part of the <u>Overture Network</u> – the next meeting in Austria hosted by Pfadfinder und Pfadfinderinnen Österreichs will look at how Guides and Scouts working on diversity issues can bring about change in their association from both a national and local perspective.



