# Registration

Dear parents, before you register your child for the camp, please discuss the holiday plans with your son or daughter.

Does your child feel like taking the trip? Would he or she like to meet new children from all over the world? Does he or she enjoy community life, where his or her own needs are sometimes subordinate?

We are convinced that most of our participants will have a wonderful time in Switzerland.

But we are also aware that a holiday of this kind could be difficult for your child if it is arranged against his or her will!

You can register your child with the online-form on our website www.sjas.ch/en after September 2nd, 2019.

Applications are processed in order of receipt. The registration for a winter camp should be sent **before September 30, 2019**. After reception of your form, we will send you a confirmation so that you can immediately organise the trip to Switzerland. All additional information will be sent to you two months before the camp starts.

#### **Cancellation fees**

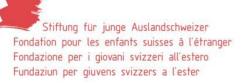
Cancellation charges are as follows:

- After the registration and up to September 30, 2019: 50% of the total camp fees.
- From September 30, 2019 up to 15 days before the program: 75% of the total camp fees
- 14 0 days before the program: 100% of the total camp fees.

The participant leaving the programme early will not be given a refund. No refunds will be provided by the FYSA if you have to cancel your participation at short notice (independently of the reason).

#### Insurance

Children are insured against accidents in the camps (Europeans only subsidiarily). Costs incurred by sickness or damage to property are covered by the participant's own health or liability insurance. We therefore recommend you to arrange with your travel agency a suitable international insurance.



# Winter camp for 8 – 14 years old children

from Thursday, December 26, 2019 to Saturday, January 4, 2020 in Valbella (GR)



Dear parents, dear children,

This brochure will inform you about the next winter camp for 8 – 14 years old children in **Valbella (GR)**. If you have any questions after reading this flyer carefully, please do not hesitate to contact us:

Kind regards
The FYSA-Team

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#### Terms and conditions

Formal requirements

- The participant or his/her mother or father must have Swiss citizenship and reside abroad.
- The winter camps are open to children aged between 8 and 14 (date of birth!)

#### Personal conditions

- Child's pleasure in the camp life and the program we offer. When taking part in a Foundation for Young Swiss Abroad camp, children undertake to integrate into the camp community, participate in the camps program and to respect the applicable camp rules.
- A certain independence we must not forget that the children are living for two weeks far from their parents and together with people, they don't know at first. They should be able to look themselves after their clothing and their hygiene and they should be prepared to put their own needs behind the needs of the community.
- Willingness of parents to place their child in the care of the camp leader team for the duration of the holiday camp.

# **Journey / Meeting point**

The camp leader team and the children will meet at the **Zurich Airport Railway Station at 1 p.m. on the first day of camp**. They will travel together to the camp location by bus. **On the last day of camp**, the children and counsellors will travel together to **Zurich Airport Railway Station and will arrive at the meeting point at 12 a.m. (noon)**.

Children travelling alone, who cannot be met by relatives or friends of the family will be met at Zurich Airport by a member of the camp's leader team and will also be accompanied to their return flight on the last day of camp. This is possible after 9 a.m. until 12.00 noon on the first day and after 2 p.m. up to 5 p.m. on the last day. For this extra offer we will charge you an amount of CHF 50.— per service. Travel to the meeting point and from the meeting point back home is the responsibility of parents.

### **Accommodations**

The village Valbella is situated in the Mountains of Canton Grisons at an altitude of 1500 meters. The generous Chalet "tga da lai" is located in the middle of Valbella. Here, the children will be accommodated in rooms with ten to twenty beds.

# **Camp locations**

Valbella is situated in the ski area of Arosa Lenzerheide. The ski area with guaranteed snow persuades with all in all 225 kilometers of prepared slopes at an altitude between 1739 and 2865 meters. This snow paradise leaves nothing to be desired: slopes for all levels and snow parks and jib areas for freestyle and fun.

#### Staff

The winter camp is run by experienced teams of camp leaders who are trained for winter sports. They can at least speak one foreign language and are older than 18 years old. The children are taken care of from the moment they get up in the morning until they go to bed at night. All the camp leaders are volunteers who run the camp during their own vacation at minimal cost.

# Camp language

Participants come from all over the world and speak a wide range of languages (e.g. German, French, English, Spanish, Italian). The camp leader team carry out the program in German, French and English. So the camp language does not depend on the language spoken in the camp location.

# **Program**

The main activities during the winter camp will be winter sports. The most important sports will be skiing and snowboarding but we will also offer a varied recreational program as sledding or ice skating. The program is suited for beginners as well as for expert skiers and snowboarders.

On a day of bad weather or as alternative to the winter sports we might plan excursions in the region, visit an indoor swimming pool, do contests or some workshops. In addition, children will also be left enough time to pursue their own leisure activities and make friends from all over the world.

#### **Finances**

Camp costs: CHF 900.—. The cost of travel to Zurich Airport is the responsibility of the parents. The camp costs of CHF 900.— includes the full cost of running the camp and ski passes. No additional obligatory costs will be charged during the camp.

Rental of ski and snowboard equipment (boots, sticks and helmet included) : **CHF 200.--**

## Reductions

The Foundation for Young Swiss Abroad (FYSA) is committed to ensuring that no young Swiss Abroad misses out on the opportunity to visit a camp in Switzerland due to lack of funds. In justifiable cases we therefore offer to reduce the camp fees or – exceptionally for children from particularly far-off countries and only once – even contribute to the cost of travel. Please indicate on the registration form whether you wish an application form for a reduction.