



## BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA – Scouts can do it



After the conflict in the 1990s peace has been a difficult bridge to build in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Over 4 years 5,000 Scouts have been learning to accept historic differences and forge new friendships with other Scouts from all sides of the conflict.

In its first year it brought together two Scout units from different ethnicities and different sides of the conflict and gave them the opportunity to talk, laugh and make lasting friendships. Its success resulted in its expansion and thus included troops from neighboring Serbia the following year.

Four years on and 5,000 Scouts later the project is continuing to offer something no other organisation does – the rare opportunity for young people to join with the same friends from historically conflicting communities to build peaceful, meaningful and lasting relationships through peace dialogue, learning by doing and determination.

And because these Scouts are young leaders in their communities, their families, peers and other community members get the message too!