**Discovering Nature with Seek/iNaturalist App**

**Topic:** Panda Challenge – Biodiversity and Nature

**Time:**  10 - 15 mins

**Key competencies for sustainable development:**

The participant will have the chance to develop Integrated problem solving competency – Self-awareness competency.

**SDGs connected:** Life on land (SDG 15)

**Summary:** The activity allows you to discover the new iNaturalist app that can be used by Scouts to learn more about biodiversity and nature, and where can fit in all that! Discover how to use it, and plan what you’ll do with it when you go outside!

**Activity development

Step 1:** Discover the relationship between scouts and nature by viewing [this slide](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Y4lRJAgJHIoPjdQ6Cg4BQ_I7nz-OVubSkJSCOyXULLk/edit?usp=sharing). **Step 2:** Get acquainted with Seek by iNaturalist app and learn about biodiversity by watching this [video tutorial.](https://vimeo.com/328588355)  You can also read the information available at [this link.](https://www.inaturalist.org/blog/23075-real-time-computer-vision-predictions-in-seek-by-i%20%20%20naturalist-version-2-0)

**Step 2:** Download the Seek App on your device (it needs to have a camera) using the following link: [Seek by iNaturalist](http://www.inaturalist.org/pages/seek_app)

**Step 3 (Optional)**: If you can, go around your backyard/garden or around your house and use the app on the living things you see (plants, animals, insects...etc)

**Step 4:** INSPIRE: Look-up a quote on Nature on google and make a poster.

Examples:
“Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better.”
 -Albert Einstein

"I took a walk in the woods and came out taller than the trees.
 -Henry David Thoreau

"Preserve and cherish the pale blue dot, the only home we've ever known."
 -Carl Sagan

**Step 5:** SHARE: Post a picture of your poster on social media (you can do it on WOSM’s Facebook Page or tag @worldscouting in an Instagram post) with the following hashtags:

#JOTI #TogetherAtHome #Scouts4Nature #Seek

**Note:** *For older age, mainly above 13 years old, you can download INaturalist from the app store*

**Step 6:** Consider those questions:

·   Do you think this app can be useful to develop activities in your local group?

·   In which kind of activities can you use this app?

·   How can this app help you to protect the biodiversity of the planet?