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To: International Commissioners

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The Educational Methods Committee

Dear International Commissioner,

At the World Scout Conference in Tunisia in 2005, **Resolution 10/05 Educational Methods Structures** was adopted.

The recommendation for the work at world level is as follows:

The Conference:

"recommends, at world level, complementing the workstreams on strategic priorities by creating a sub-committee on educational methods, which will bring to the World Scout Committee more human resources; this sub-committee should comprise youth advisors and experts in the field of non-formal education, management and adult learning; its functions would be to advise the World Scout Committee and provide guidance on research and development in the fields of youth programme, and adult resources, and it would validate the educational materials produced by the WSB as well as the educational programme of World Scout events."

The Educational Methods Committee (EMC) was established at the World Scout Committee meeting in November 2005 and leaders were recruited from Regions and NSOs with expertise in the fields identified in the resolution. The EMC met for the first time in April 2006, immediately prior to the meeting of the World Scout Committee.

Attached is a report from the EMC and its five task teams, setting out the work planned in this triennium to support the implementation of the strategic priorities related to educational methods and to support the programme of World Youth Events and the Centenary of Scouting.

The EMC provides an integrated approach to the work on youth programme and adult resources and Regions and NSOs are encouraged to develop similar structures to support this integration.

There will be regular updates on the work of this sub-Committee and its task teams.

Yours sincerely,

Eduardo Missoni
Secretary General, WOSM



Report

Educational Methods Committee

World Scout Bureau
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Here is some information on the Educational Methods Committee which was formed last year after the World Scout Conference in Tunisia.

The Educational Methods Committee (EMC) was established in accordance with Resolution 10/05 approved by the World Scout Conference in Tunisia.

MISSION

The mission of the EMC is to assist the World Scout Committee (WSC) in the fields of Youth Programme and Adult Resources by:

- respecting the diversity which exists in member organisations while promoting synergy and unity in the World Scout Movement to preserve the identity of the Scout Method
- collating and co-ordinating work in the Central and Regional Offices related to Educational Methods
- validating, monitoring and evaluating policies, projects and publications and setting a framework for developing standards
- supporting NSOs in achieving the targets and impact related to Educational Methods, as identified in the Strategy for Scouting, which will be measured at the World Scout Conference in Korea.

CORE MEMBERS

The Educational Methods Committee comprises the following members:

Gualtiero Zanolini (Italy), Chairman
Gualtiero is a member of the WSC and, during the past triennium, chaired the Workstream on Youth Involvement, which developed the concept of Youth Advisors. He also contributed to the development of Explorers of the Invisible,

a resource on spiritual development which was developed for young people attending the last World Scout Jamboree (WSJ).

Ana Elisa Piubello (Argentina), Vice-Chairman
Ana Elisa is also a member of the WSC. During the last triennium she was Vice-Chairman of the Workstream on Youth Involvement. Ana Elisa is the designated contact person from the WSC to the WSJ and in this role is working closely with the Jamboree Management Team from the United Kingdom.

John May (United Kingdom), Member
John has been International Commissioner and Chairman of the Programme and Development Committee for The Scout Association. John's current role in the UK is to head up the team which will provide support to the contingents attending the WSJ. John's particular interest in Scouting is working with young adults.

Mari Nakano (Japan), Member
Mari is currently the Chairman of the Youth Programme Committee of the Asia-Pacific Region. She supports many of the programme events in the Region and is particularly interested in the development of the Rover Scout Section.

Mustafa Salem (Libya), Member
Mustafa has been Chairman of the World Programme Committee and has been Chairman of the Arab Region Scout Committee. Mustafa has also supported work on the Strategy for Scouting and has a particular interest in environmental issues.

Bruce Trefz (United States of America), Member
Bruce is a member of the International Committee of the Boy Scouts of America. In Bruce's local Council there is a very high percentage of young people who are Scouts. Bruce is particularly interested in promoting quality Scouting.

Craig Turpie (United Kingdom), Youth Advisor
Craig is a member of the European Regional Scout Committee and in this capacity has been designated as the Youth Advisor from the European Region to the WSC. Craig is also chairman of the Adult Resources Network Core Group in Europe and is interested in supporting and promoting volunteering in Scouting.

Tamara Shukakidze (Georgia), Strategy Task Force liaison
Tamara is Programme Director for the Scout Association in Georgia and she is also a member of the Strategy Task Force (STF) of the WSC. Her role is to be a link between the STF and the EMC to support the work of monitoring and evaluating the strategy.

Peter Blatch (Australia), Task Team Chairman
Peter is Chairman of the Education for All task team. He is very involved in Scouting at regional and national levels as well as locally. Peter works professionally with young people with physical disabilities and has been very active in supporting Scouting for young people with special needs in Australia.

Maeliosa de Buitlear (Ireland), Task Team Chairman
Maeliosa is Chairman of the Adult Volunteers task team. He is also a member of the European Scout Region's Core Group for "Organisation for the 21st Century". He is helping with Scouting Ireland's programme development work using "A Renewed Approach to Programme" (RAP).

Rev. Father Jean-Pascale Diame (Senegal), Task Team Chairman
Jean-Pascale is a priest from Senegal, currently working in Taiwan, and he is Chairman of the Spiritual Development task team.

João Armando Gonclaves (Portugal), Task Team Chairman
João Armando is Chairman of the Adolescents and Young Adults task team and brings to this task much experience from his roles working with the age-group at national and regional levels. He has also been very involved in developing the concept of RoverWay, an event for Rover Scouts in Europe.

Mark Shepherd (Australia), Task Team Chairman
Mark is currently Assistant Commissioner for Environment in the New South Wales branch of Scouts Australia and a member of the training team. Mark holds a Woodbadge as a Commissioner and as a Venturer Scout Leader. Prior to chairing the Environment Education task team, Mark was involved with the development of the environment component of the Scouts of the World programme. Mark is a

co-author of the Scouts of the World Discovery training module.

How the team works

The EMC meets formally once per year and in between meetings the members stay in contact through emails, telephone conferences and use Skype.

The Task Teams may meet depending on the task they are undertaking and the budget available but the work is mainly undertaken electronically.

The EMC is supported by members of the Education, Research and Development Department.

TASK TEAMS

Five task teams have been set up to progress the work of the EMC during this triennium and help the World Scout Committee, the World Scout Bureau and NSOs to meet the targets set out in the Strategy for Scouting.

1. Adolescents and Young Adults – supporting Strategic Priorities 1 & 2: Youth Involvement and Adolescents, and World Scout Conference Resolution 11/05, World Scout Youth Forum

The following topics are on the agenda of this task team:

- a) Support the Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee
- b) Scouts of the World Award
- c) New guidelines for the Rover Scout Section
- d) Youth of the World Campaign

Progress to date

- 1(a) Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee

The 12 Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee all attended the meeting of the World Scout Committee in November 2005. At subsequent meetings individual Youth Advisors will attend when there are items on the agenda which require an input or the Youth Advisors are in Geneva because they are members of other groups which are meeting. In April 2006, Rod Abson attended to present the recommendations from the World Scout Youth Forum and Craig Turpie attended as the meeting followed the first meeting of the Educational Methods Committee.

1(b) Scouts of the World Award

The Scouts of the World (SW) Award continues to be taken up by National Scout Organizations and to date there are 20 NSOs from 5 Regions providing the Award to young people within their Senior Section programme.

The SW Award is an initiative to help NSOs revitalize their programme for senior sections (15-26 age range, boys and girls) which is why this Award is part of the development of the new guidelines for the Rover Section.

1(c) New guidelines for the Rover Scout Section

The guidelines for the Rover Scout Section, which are currently in draft format, were reviewed by all the participants at the international Seminar on the Rover Scout Section. This event took place in the Maldives in April 2006. These guidelines are now being finalised by the task team and the planned publication date is the end of 2006. The European Scout Region also has a focus on the Rover Scout Section and their Rover Commissioners' Resource Kit (RoCoReKi) has just been published.

1(d) Youth of the World Campaign

The purpose of this youth campaign is to sensitise and mobilise young people on issues related with the Millennium Development Goals of the United Nations, and to invite young people to debate, reflect and take action in a community.

This campaign was launched by WOSM in April 2004, and the Youth for Development Prize was created for the first time during the World Scout Conference in Tunisia in 2005. The Youth for Development Prize is awarded to teams of young people who have run innovative projects in the framework of the Millennium Development Goals, in the fields of environment, development or peace. The Youth for Development Prize is granted by a World Jury formed of world renewed experts in these fields. For the 2005 year a total of 27 projects were received. After careful consideration, 13 were accepted as meeting all the established criteria; 11 were Scout projects and 2 from non-Scout organizations.

The winners are as follows:

Peace

Project name: Scoutisme dans la promotion de la paix (Scouting and peace promotion).
Country: Burundi

Environment

Project name: Creativity in Environment Culture (Non-Scout project). Country: Bahrain

Development

Project name: "Mantay; Mothers, Murals & Mosaics". Country: Ireland

Last year it was decided to make this Campaign a joint project with WAGGGS. A core team from WOSM was established consisting of Andres Morales, ERD; Arturo Romboli, External Relations; and Vanessa Von der Muhll, Communications. New actions will be taken between WAGGGS and WOSM during the coming year.

For further information on any aspects of this task team, contact Andrés Morales, Unit Manager Adolescents and Young Adults. Email: amorales@world.scout.org

2. Education for All – supporting Strategic Priority 4: Reaching Out

There are four areas of work in this task team:

- a) Scouting for Children with Special Needs
- b) Scouting for Children in Especially Difficult Circumstances (CIEDC)
- c) Scouting in Schools
- d) Keeping Scouts Safe from Harm, particularly in relation to CIEDC

Progress to date

2(a) Scouting for Children with Special Needs

There are many Scout Associations which have an excellent provision for young people with disabilities but there are also many associations that do not provide Scouting to this group of young people. Guidelines for working with young people with special needs are being developed and will be tested at a seminar in Australia in September 2006. The seminar will test out some training material and, as it is being run in conjunction with the Australia National Agoonoree, the participants will also be able to see the theory in practice.

Once the guidelines have been developed they will be translated into other languages and seminars can then be provided in other countries and Regions.

The Asia-Pacific Region has recently requested NSOs to appoint Commissioners for Special Needs at national level to strengthen this provision across the Region.

2(b) Scouting for Children in Especially Difficult Circumstances (CIEDC)

There are many excellent projects around the world where Scout Associations are working with children in especially difficult circumstances. The aim is to find out the good practices, identify elements that can be shared across the projects and produce guidelines so that others can learn from the existing projects and be helped to set up new projects to meet the particular needs in their country or town.

Two seminars have already taken place in Egypt and Kenya to help associations to share their work on working children and street children respectively. A seminar will take place in the Philippines in December 2006 to assist eight countries in the Asia-Pacific Region to develop small projects to support street children in their countries. Over time and as their experience develops the associations will be assisted in scaling up these projects.

The partnership with ILO/IPEC supports Scouting's work with working children and there are some active partnerships in associations.

Often projects such as these can be undertaken for relatively small sums of money and can be supported by other Scout Associations at national or local level. Details of partnership projects are available through SCOPE (Scout Projects for Exchange) on the WOSM web-site.

Potential sources of external funding are currently being identified so that good practice across the Regions can be found and projects can be developed in NSOs.

2(c) Scouting in Schools

Scouting in schools provides both a challenge and an opportunity for Scouting. Schools can provide a very welcome infrastructure and constant supply of leaders on which Scouting can be built. There are many examples of good practice. However sometimes when Scouting is school based it becomes too institutionalized; leaders are appointed or seconded and are no longer willing volunteers and Scouting suffers. Alternatively Scouting can be totally community-based and lack infrastructure. In some cases forming a partnership with formal education could support the development of Scouting.

The partnership between Scouting and formal education will be explored in the Open Minds Global Project (see below). We are looking for examples of innovative work and developments between Scouting and the formal education sector. If you are working in this area, please contact Srinath T.V. (see below)

2(d) Keeping Scouts Safe From Harm, particularly in relation to CIEDC

Children with disabilities or children who are already disadvantaged are already much more susceptible to all forms of abuse. It is important therefore in this work that both the adult leaders and the young people themselves are aware of this issue. This will build on the promotion and implementation of Child Protection policies which will be undertaken as part of work of the Adult Volunteers task team and support the implementation of the policy 'Keeping Scouts Safe from Harm' that was adopted by the World Scout Conference in Thessaloniki in 2002.

For further information on any aspects of Education for All, contact Srinath Tirumale Venugopal, Project Officer, Education for All. Email: srinath@world.scout.org

3. Adult Volunteers – supporting Strategic Priority 5: Volunteers in Scouting

The areas of focus in this task team are as follows:

- a) Volunteers in Scouting – offering a new approach to volunteering
- b) Recruitment methods – new ways of recruiting adults into Scouting as well as supporting the development of Child Protection guidelines in NSOs
- c) Training Resources – making training more accessible to leaders in NSOs
- d) Recognising Qualifications – supporting NSOs in obtaining recognition for their training from external institutions.

Progress to date

3(a) Volunteers in Scouting

A pack designed to assist NSOs in assessing the situation regarding volunteers has been produced and will be available in English and French in the very near future. For Scouting to be successful, NSOs need a wide variety of volunteers with a range of skills and experience. The Centenary of Scouting provides an opportunity to promote Scouting to the local community and it should also be used as an opportunity to recruit new volunteers.

3(b) Recruitment methods

The development and growth of many NSOs is limited because of the lack of adults who are prepared to give their time to Scouting. There are many reasons for this and there are many tried and tested ways that can be used to develop volunteering in an organisation. Sometimes the block is the picture that we have

of who can be a leader in Scouting, so then we have to change our mindsets.

In this area of work we will be supporting Regions to develop recruitment strategies that work for them. This will be done through sharing information and good practice so that guidelines can be developed and produced in suitable languages. If you have an example of successfully recruiting volunteers in your association, please contact Anne Whiteford (see below).

3(c) Training Resources

For Scouting to be successful it depends on having the right number of trained leaders. Adult training in Scouting has traditionally helped leaders to develop a range of useful skills. It is important that this continues. However as people's lives become busier and the number of ways training can be delivered increases, Scouting needs to make sure that adult training is accessible to leaders.

In this area of work associations will be helped to share their training so that training packages will be more available to leaders. NSOs will also be helped to develop more flexibility in the delivery of their training so that it is more accessible to leaders.

3(d) Recognising Qualifications

In Australia young people and leaders can receive external recognition for their Scout awards and adult training. Other associations have also linked up with training institutions so that leaders can get recognition for the training undertaken and the skills developed in Scouting.

To progress this area of work contact will be made with universities and training institutions to see if the possibility of offering recognition for adult training and skill development in Scouting can be made more widely available. If your association has a system of recognition with training institutions of professional bodies, please pass this information to Anne Whiteford.

To support the last two areas of work a World Training Network is in the process of being developed. More information will be available by the end of December 2006.

For more information, or to share ideas with this task team, contact Anne Whiteford, Executive Director, Education, Research and Development at the World Scout Bureau. Email: awhiteford@world.scout.org

4. Environment Education – supporting World Conference Resolutions 18/05 Scouting and the Environment and 20/05 Sustainable Development

The areas of work for this task team are:

- a) World Scout Environment Badge/Award
- b) Supporting effective environment education through the youth programme
- c) WOSM/UNEP partnership
- d) SCENE programme re-launched
- e) Enriching the programme of world and regional youth events

Progress to date

The work in this task team responds to the Conference Resolutions that were passed at the World Scout Conference in Tunisia.

4(a) The World Scout Environment Badge/Award

The task team have in their workplan to support the delivery of appropriate environment education for each of the age-sections by producing guidelines for an Environment Award. To begin this work the knowledge, skills and attitudes for each section will be determined. Appropriate requirements and activities can then be proposed to NSOs which wish to incorporate this within their overall Youth Programme.

4(b) Supporting effective environment education through the youth programme

There are many NSOs that are already delivering good quality environment education to their members and there are also many good projects dealing with environment issues appropriate to the countries and environmental conditions.

The task team will gather information on these programmes and help this information to be shared with the aim of supporting effective environment education in the youth programme.

4(c) WOSM/UNEP partnership

The focus to date has been on developing opportunities with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). This organisation produces excellent resource material for young people which is available on their web-site <http://www.unep.org/Tunza/> The activities are targeted at children and youth and are very suitable for Scouts. It is hoped that this partnership will open up many opportunities for Scouts around the world and you will be kept up to date as the opportunities arise.

There are currently opportunities for Scouts to take part in a painting competition and there is a youth conference on the environment taking place next year in Germany. Please see Circular No xx or visit the Tunza web-site for more details.

4(d) SCENE programme re-launched

Information is also being collected on environment education programmes in Scouting and identifying Scout Centres that have developed and are continuing to implement the Scout Centres of Excellence for Nature and Environment (SCENEs) programme.

4(e) Enriching the programme of world and regional youth events

Members of the Task Team will also work with NSOs which have responsibility for organising world and regional youth events to support the approach and delivery of environment education through these events.

If you would like to share any of your work on environment education, please contact Mark Shephard, the Chairman of the Environment Education task team. Email: mshephard@worldnet.scout.org

5. Spiritual Development – supporting World Conference Resolution 24/05 Inter-Religious Dialogue and Spiritual Dimension

The members of this task team who are from different faith communities are working to:

- a) produce guidelines and resources on spiritual development in Scouting in order to help NSOs develop an accurate set of educational objectives for all age-ranges and find practical ways to improve their programme in this growth area.
- b) develop guidelines and resources to enrich the spiritual dimension in the programme of World Youth Events (Jamborees and Moots) in partnership with the Inter-Religious Forum.

Progress to date

5(a) Produce guidelines and resources on spiritual development

This group is making good progress developing and reviewing documents on spiritual development. The members come from a number of different faith backgrounds which provides a number of different perspectives and approaches.

5(b) Enrich the spiritual dimension of the programme of World Youth Events

Draft resource material has been developed and is being shared with members of the group for comment.

At their meeting in November 2006, members of the Inter-Religious Forum will be discussing how they can support the Faith and Beliefs programme area of the World Scout Jamboree. There will be an opportunity at the World Scout Jamboree for leaders to discuss spiritual development informally with members of the task team.

For further information on any aspects of this task team contact Anne Whiteford. Email: awhiteford@world.scout.org

THE CENTENARY OF SCOUTING

Gifts for Peace

Gifts for Peace is the major project for the Centenary of Scouting and all NSOs were challenged at the World Scout Conference in Thessaloniki (2002) to declare a Gift for Peace. To date more than 90 countries have declared their projects and a web-site will very soon be available to show examples of the projects at national and local levels.

ScoutPAX is a resource to help NSOs to develop the educational aspects of their projects. This resource is available at <http://www.scout.org/scoutpax> It is hoped that every Scout will have the opportunity to be part of a Gifts for Peace project, making their contribution to building a better world.

A photo, video and sound competition has been launched so that young people can capture and share images related to their Gifts for Peace projects. This will help information from local level to be shared around the world and help us to see the impact of the projects in the eyes of young people. Information on the competition is available on the WOSM web-site. Please share this information widely in your association.

Join-in-Centenary

Join-in-Centenary is an activity pack which is designed to help Scouts around the world to be part of the Centenary for Scouting wherever they live and whatever their age. The resource will be available in four parts:

- *Scouting Yesterday and Today* - The activities in this part help Scouts to explore the history of Scouting locally, nationally and internationally and to explore Scouting today in their own communities, nationally and in

the wider world. This part also helps Scouts to look at the role Scouting has played in helping young people, who may be marginalised from society due to their disability, social status or ethnic origin, to be included.

- *The Peace Pack* - The activities in this part reflect the key project for Scouting's Centenary – Gifts for Peace. In this section, the activities help Scouts to reflect on peace personally and in the wider world. There are also activities that can be used at gatherings for Scouting's Sunrise to help Scouts reflect on the Promise they have made as Scouts and how the Promise shapes their life today and will shape their lives in the future.
- *Join-in-Jamboree* - The activities in this part contain the more traditional Join-in-Jamboree activities. There are activities to learn more about aspects of the United Kingdom and Europe and activities which reflect the programme of the Jamboree. Splash, Trash, Energise, Starburst, Global Development Activities, World Villages, Ceremonies, Vigil are the themes of the Jamboree programme areas and these are reflected in the activities for Scouts.
- *Scouting Tomorrow* - As 2007 draws to a close, we should set ourselves new challenges for the future. Does our Scout family reflect all parts of our local community? Could we work with others to provide a more varied and exciting programme for our Scouts? As Scouts are we taking action to protect our environment? Are there adults in the community who could help Scouting grow, but don't know how to become involved? It is important that adults and young people work together in Scouting, to assess their situation, build a new vision and make plans for the future. The activities in this part of the resource help you and your Scouts explore these issues.

Scouting's Sunrise

On 1 August 2007, millions of Scouts and former Scouts, from all across the globe, will celebrate the dawn of a new century of Scouting. This will be the special day to celebrate the past, present, and most importantly, the future of Scouting. All Scouts and former Scouts should have the opportunity to renew their Promise on this day. Scouts should also do a 'good turn' for their community or promote a 'good turn' that they have done recently to show the impact of Scouting in the lives of young people and the benefits to the community.

The International Colloquium

In December 2007, as the Centenary year draws to a close, an International Colloquium will take place, bring together academics and practitioners to discuss and evaluate Scouting's contribution to education and society over the course of the last 100 years. The event will be held in Geneva, Switzerland and the Scientific Committee is currently being formed.

For further information on any aspects of all aspects of the Centenary, please contact Nicola Gooderson, Project Manager, 2007 Centenary. Email: ngooderson@world.scout.org

LARGE PROJECTS

Amahoro-Amani Project

This project focuses on peace education in the Great Lakes region of Africa (Burundi, Rwanda and Eastern Congo) and will be undertaken in co-operation with WAGGGS. The aim of the project is to build on the work undertaken over the past 10 years and train 450 young adults as community peace mediators.

In 2007 peace caravans will travel between villages promoting peace through exhibitions, games, performances, debates and service projects.

An international partnership committee has been set up to organise the support of Scout and Guide associations from industrialised countries. Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy and the United Kingdom are already involved in the project. Scout leaders, other youth leaders and teachers who are interested in developing more active learning methods in their work with young adults. The second target group is managers of community development projects and the third is young entrepreneurs who wish to develop economic activities.

Open Minds Global

WAGGGS and Carpe Vitam, a Swedish Foundation interested in education, will be WOSM partners in this project forming a foundation in Switzerland called 'Open Minds Global'.

The project will work in a number of specified countries in the Arab, Africa and Asia-Pacific Regions and will provide training for three target groups. The first is Scout and Guide leaders, other youth leaders and teachers who are interested in developing more active learning methods in their work with young adults. The second target group is managers of community development projects and the third

is young entrepreneurs who wish to develop economic activities.

This project will help to explore the relationship between formal and non-formal education in the countries involved and help to develop the capacity of Scout Associations involved to meet the needs of young people in local communities.

Youth Co-operatives in Africa

This project will focus on developing skills in Rover Scouts in Guinea Conakry, Burkina Faso and Senegal. In these countries the rate of unemployment is very high so to help young people become economically active Rover Scouts will be helped to develop skills in entrepreneurship and identify appropriate economic activities which will be funded through a micro-credit scheme.

This project has been approved by the Cariplo Foundation, the Foundation of an Italian Bank, and they have committed a total of 1.5 million Euros to this project over a three year period. This project will also help to develop a programme of life skills for the Rover Scout Section in the countries involved.

For further information on any of the projects above, please contact Dominique Bénard, Chief Executive, Open Minds Global. Email: dbenard@world.scout.org

WORLD EVENTS

World Scout Jamboree

Ana Elisa Piubello, Vice-Chairman of the EMC is the designated link person between the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Jamboree Planning Team. Ana Elisa is supported in this role by members of staff of the ERD department, particularly Mathieu Pouret.

There is a core team of volunteers and staff working with the Jamboree teams to ensure that the participants have the best possible experience. During the event volunteers and staff will be available in the World Scout Centre to share information and ideas on all aspects of educational methods. Part of the World Scout Centre will be dedicated to leaders at the Jamboree. This area will provide an opportunity to relax, chat with other leaders from around the world to share information and ideas. It will also be an area which can host seminars and workshops.

This is part of the support to adults which is being provided by the Jamboree Team to ensure that all adults working to support the Jamboree, in whatever role, feel welcome and valued.

World Scout Moot

Members of the EMC and the Adolescents and Young Adults task team will work with the organisers of the next World Scout Moot to support the development of the programme for young people in this age-range and ensure that the good experiences of previous events are shared.

World Scout Youth Forum

Six of the Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee, those who were elected at the last World Scout Youth Forum, constitute the planning team for the next World Scout Youth Forum which will be held in Korea in July 2008, immediately before the World Scout Conference.

The planning team has just met to start to prepare this event. The team plans to engage many young people from around the world to identify the topics of interest to young people to build the programme for the Forum.

For further information on any aspects of World Events, contact Mathieu Pouret, Unit Manager World Events. Email: mpouret@worldnet.scout.org

Linking with the Regions

The World Scout Bureau has recently developed a planning tool which defines a triennial 'Global Plan' to deliver the Strategy for Scouting and clearly identifies the activities in each of the offices of the World Scout Bureau for the current financial year.

This tool is designed to assist with planning and monitoring activities, particularly in relation to supporting the implementation of the Strategy for Scouting. This will also help the staff of the World Scout Bureau, as a team in different locations around the world, to build on the strengths that exist in the volunteers and in themselves, so that good practices can be shared and overlap of effort reduced.