Report to the European Scout Committee

Educational Methods Core Group

1. Introduction

This report deals with 'Strategic Objective 6 – Educational Methods' as outlined in the Regional Scout Plan 2010-2013. It should be read in conjunction with the Regional Scout Plan 2010-2013, which can be accessed at www.scout.org/europe

2. Progress in implementing Objectives, Actions and achieving KPIs

Since the last meeting of the European Scout Committee

AC 6.1.1 – IN PROGRESS

Design, deliver and evaluate an Educational Methods Forum for people in NSOs/NSAs working in the field of Educational Methods

Progress:

o A budgetary provision for this has been made for the 2011-12 exercise.

AC 6.1.2 – IN PROGRESS

Organise and facilitate networking opportunities for people from NSOs/NSAs with similar roles at national level

Progress:

- The network meetings for Training Commissioners took place in September 2010. Planning for the next meeting in the initial phase
- o Planning for the Centre Managers' Conference is well on the way

AC 6.1.3 – IN PROGRESS

Support intra-regional projects in the field of Educational Methods, initiated by NSOs/NSAs with similar needs

Progress:

- o The ONE Seminar organised by Scouting Ireland
- Training of Trainers in Serbia supported for the benefit of 4 NSAs from the Balkans

AC 6.1.4 – IN PROGRESS

Encourage NSOs/NSAs to look outside Scouting for networking opportunities including with NGOs, business, academic and scientific institutions

Progress:

 Some NSAs established partnership with external partners (NGOs, academic and scientific sector) through the ROLIS project

AC 6.2.1 – NOT STARTED

Map existing materials and tools against the needs and strengths of NSOs/NSAs, identify gaps, and target their promotion

Progress:

No concrete action has been proposed to date.

AC 6.2.2 – IN PROGRESS

Update existing materials and tools, or fill gaps, based on feedback from NSOs/NSAs or expert analysis

Progress:

- The Framework paper on Managing Adult Resources was discussed during the sessions at the Academy 2010 and the Volunteering Event
- The Volunteering Working Group is working on next version of a document on volunteering (based on the recent draft ESD; planning to include results and learning from the European Year of Volunteering 2011)

AC 6.2.3 – IN PROGRESS

Translate, and share, useful materials and tools into other languages to support their use in settings where understanding of English or French may be limited

Progress:

- o Few Euro.Scout.Doc issues were translated into Portuguese
- Several documents in the area of training (Training Systems Toolkit, ESD) were translated into "Balkan" languages and into Russion by the Eurasia Region

AC 6.2.4 – IN PROGRESS

Follow the development of materials and tools being produced by NSOs/NSAs, other Regions and external organisations, and be ready to promote if appropriate

Progress:

 Document "Valorise Toi" produced by Scouts et Guides de France was translated into English and Czech and widely promoted as a good model of selfrecognition

AC 6.3.1 – NOT STARTED

Use eLearning platforms and other technology solutions at European level to showcase the potential for use in adult volunteer training provision

Progress:

o No concrete action has been proposed to date.

AC 6.4.1 – IN PROGRESS

Develop and promote the European Scout Voluntary Programme, Lands of Adventure framework and the Scouts of the World scheme

Progress:

- o Regular administration and running of the ESVP and LOA happens
- ESVP and SOW are planned to be items to be debated during the upcoming CMC seminar

AC 6.4.2 – IN PROGRESS

Support NSOs/NSAs seeking to review and update the international dimension of their youth programmes

Progress:

 Support has been given to the organisers of Paris d'Avenir event for Rovers, especially in their international aspects of the programme

3. Next steps in implementing Objectives, Actions and achieving KPIs

Until next meeting of the European Scout Committee

AC 6.1.1

Design, deliver and evaluate an Educational Methods Forum for people in NSOs/NSAs working in the field of Educational Methods

o Planning during the EMCG meeting in September

AC 6.1.2

Organise and facilitate networking opportunities for people from NSOs/NSAs with similar roles at national level

- o The Centre Managers Conference is planned for October
- o A Training Commissioners Network meeting is planned for early 2012
- o A National Rover Commissioners Network meeting is scheduled for 2012

AC 6.1.3

Support intra-regional projects in the field of Educational Methods, initiated by NSOs/NSAs with similar needs

o Follow Project of Recognition of Learning in Scouting

AC 6.2.1

Map existing materials and tools against the needs and strengths of NSOs/NSAs, identify gaps, and target their promotion

Progress

 Use the new tool on Managing our Human Capital to collect examples of good practice

AC 6.2.2

Update existing materials and tools, or fill gaps, based on feedback from NSOs/NSAs or expert analysis

Progress:

 Update the Framework paper on Managing Adult Resources and create an online Tool for Managing our Human Capital

AC 6.3.1

Use eLearning platforms and other technology solutions at European level to showcase the potential for use in adult volunteer training provision

 The Region's eLearning platform will be up and running with a few test courses by the end of the year

AC 6.4.1

Develop and promote the European Scout Voluntary Programme, Lands of Adventure framework and the Scouts of the World scheme

- ESVP and SOW are planned to be items to be debated during the upcoming CMC seminar
- o The LoA Ambasadors Meeting is prepared for October 2012 in Rome

4. Successes

Please list the key successes since the last meeting of the European Scout Committee

- The current work of "maintenance" and direct support to NSOs is happening without many challenges
- The group has a date for a meeting

5. Challenges

Please list the key challenges since the last meeting of the European Scout Committee

- Finding a suitable date for a meeting is difficult with 12 people
- Lateness with scheduling actions within the plan (more than 1 year after the Conference)

6. Issues for the consideration of the European Scout Committee

In brief, please list significant issues that you would like the European Scout Committee to consider

See above challenges

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