

# Report to the European Scout Committee

## Partnerships with Other Regions

### 1. Introduction

This report deals with 'Strategic Objective 5 – Partnerships with other Regions 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](http://www.scout.org/europe)

### 2. Progress in implementing Objectives, Actions and achieving KPIs

*Since the last meeting of the European Scout Committee*

- **AC 5.1.1 – IN PROGRESS**

*Encourage NSOs/NSAs to give a new impetus to the Euro-Arab and Europe-Eurasia meetings and establish priority themes relevant to the needs of NSOs/NSAs*

**Progress:**

- Planning team meeting for the Europe Eurasia Meeting (25-27 November) took place in Prague, in the venue of the actual meeting (2-4 September). The meeting will focus on working on developing or establishing current and new partnerships between NSOs from Europe and Eurasia. Final number of participants are not available.

- **AC 5.1.2 – IN PROGRESS**

*Encourage NSOs/NSAs to participate in events organised in other Regions, and promote European and national events to NSOs in those other Regions*

**Progress:**

- Specific work has been done with Eurasia and Arab Regions regarding the participation of rovers to Roverway in Finland. Circular was sent in the Arab regions. Funding opportunities have been identified. Unfortunately, the Youth in Action National Agency indicated that they are not willing to fund Scouts projects (as project from a well established organisation)
- During the Unguvu Coalition Meeting at WSJ, European and African events were both promoted. Looking into promoting the 6th African Jamboree in Burundi among European NSOs.
- Promotion to sign up to various funding applications and in particular Partnership event (March 2012 – Paris ; WOSM contribution to the North South Network)

- **AC 5.1.3 – IN PROGRESS**

*In partnership, strengthen cooperation among Europe-Eurasia Scout representatives in relevant organisations and institutions*

**Progress:**

- The European Region is now represented in the Advisory Council of the Council of Europe by Sandu Coica, from Moldova; in cooperation with Eurasia Region. The mandate is coming to an end. WOSM is putting Alexandru forward for elections (18/19 November).

- **AC 5.2.2 – IN PROGRESS**

*Further develop the Europe-Africa 'Unguvu' Project and communicate the impact that the project is having on European NSOs/NSAs*

**Progress:**

- Since June Unguvu has moved into its final stages. The last workshop was successfully hosted by VCP at Burg Rieneck in Bavaria, Germany (7-12 June).
- The tools are now in the final stages of editing and translation into French and Portuguese and should be available in early to mid-December.
- From September 22-25 the Coordinating Team held their final meeting at the headquarters of SGdF in Paris, during which they finalised the content of the tools and evaluated the project.
- The final report preparations have started.

- During the WSJ we held workshops in the GDV based on the principals of the Unguvu tools. We also had an interactive stand in the GDV and board in the World Scout Centre promoting Unguvu.
  - During the WSJ we organised a meeting of the current Unguvu Coalition and prospective members. The meeting provided the opportunity for several participants to present how the project had helped them in their work at NSO level and for project officers (Tim Watson and Jacques Sandrizi) to update on progress in person. During the meeting a basic roadmap towards defining actions in 2011 and 2012 were outlined. 2011 will use current events to aid the implementation of Unguvu 1. We are currently helping to facilitate partners to design a new YiA 3.2 project application to be submitted in Spring 2012 for a project in 2013.
  - To support the work, and following the end of the contract of Tim Watson by the end of December 2012, the office put forward, via SGdF a funding application for an EVS, 1<sup>st</sup> November deadline.
- **AC 5.2.3 – IN PROGRESS**  
*Encourage NSOs/NSAs to contribute to the life of the North-South Network and use it for developing ideas, networking and exchanging information*  
**Progress:**
    - Sylvain Barthe attended the October North South Network meeting in Copenhagen.
    - The region is working, with the support of SGdF, towards a funding application for the Partnership event (March 2012).
- **AC 5.2.4 – IN PROGRESS**  
*Stimulate NSOs/NSAs to promote exchange opportunities for young people from Europe, Eurasia and Arab Scout Regions, in order to enrich the youth programme*  
**Progress:**
    - Promotion will be organised at the Academy via a stand/presentation and via the session of partnerships.
- **AC 5.3.1 – IN PROGRESS**  
*Share information with NSOs/NSAs on external funding opportunities to encourage the development of bilateral and multilateral projects and exchanges*  
**Progress:**
    - We have forwarded a number of possible funding opportunities to the African Regional Office
- **AC 5.3.2 – NOT STARTED**  
*Support NSOs/NSAs with applications to funding bodies and provide guidance on reporting procedures, if successful*  
**Progress:**
    - Not on this specific topic – in other fields of work
- **AC 5.3.3 – NOT STARTED**  
*Initiate an exchange of best practice between NSOs/NSAs on external funding applications for cooperation and partnerships*  
**Progress:**
- **AC 5.4.1 – NOT STARTED**  
*Encourage NSOs/NSAs to enrich the international dimension of their youth programmes by incorporating European Citizenship and by looking outside Europe*  
**Progress:**
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- **AC 5.4.3 – NOT STARTED**  
*Increase visibility amongst European NSOs/NSAs of Scouting's priorities in other Regions, and how European NSOs/NSAs can engage*

**Progress:**

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• **AC 5.4.4 – IN PROGRESS**

*Identify opportunities for European NSOs/NSAs to provide solidarity and technical support to Scouting in other regions*

**Progress:**

- Started the process of consultancy in cooperation with Africa Office. Two NSAs targeted for now: Ireland and CNEIGEI

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

*Until next meeting of the European Scout Committee*

• **AC 5.1.1 –**

*Encourage NSOs/NSAs to give a new impetus to the Euro-Arab and Europe-Eurasia meetings and establish priority themes relevant to the needs of NSOs/NSAs*

**Next steps:**

- We are communicating in time to ensure full participation of interested NSOs/NSAs to the content of the meeting Europe Eurasia.

• **AC 5.1.2 –**

*Encourage NSOs/NSAs to participate in events organised in other Regions, and promote European and national events to NSOs in those other Regions*

**Next steps:**

- We will monitor the calls of the region to ensure that they are transmitted to other regions
- We will ensure that events in other regions are well promoted in Europe

• **AC 5.1.3 –**

*In partnership, strengthen cooperation among Europe-Eurasia Scout representatives in relevant organisations and institutions*

**Next Steps:**

- We will ensure that NYCs representatives are invited even if funding application was not successful and therefore no support is available.
- The example of Sandu Coica will be made more public in both regions, especially at the Europe Eurasia Meeting in November 2011

• **AC 5.1.4**

*Map the partnerships that exist between Europe and Africa, initiate a similar exercise with Eurasia and communicate to NSOs/NSAs*

**Next Steps:**

- Publish the mapping exercise when complete. We still need to identify how and where we will publish it.
- We will launch the mapping with Eurasia at the Europe Eurasia Meeting
- A mapping is being done with the Arab region.

• **AC 5.2.2 –**

*Further develop the Europe-Africa 'Unguvu' Project and communicate the impact that the project is having on European NSOs/NSAs*

**Next steps:**

- Continue the implementation of the current UNGUVU project and ensuring its proper closing
- Promote the tools produced
- Ensure a large participation for the next Partnership event
- Facilitate the preparation of the next 3.2 application

• **AC 5.2.3 –**

*Encourage NSOs/NSAs to contribute to the life of the North-South Network and use it for developing ideas, networking and exchanging information*

**Next steps:**

- Prepare with NS network meeting and host, the March 2012 extended network meeting.
- **AC 5.2.4 –**  
*Stimulate NSOs/NSAs to promote exchange opportunities for young people from Europe, Eurasia and Arab Scout Regions, in order to enrich the youth programme*

**Next steps:**

- Liaise with EMT to plan next steps
- **AC 5.4.1 –**  
*Encourage NSOs/NSAs to enrich the international dimension of their youth programmes by incorporating European Citizenship and by looking outside Europe*

**Next steps:**

- ERCG/PWOR still has to prepare a database of existing useful documents to be shared with EMT and NSOs and NSAs
- **AC 5.4.4**  
*Identify opportunities for European NSOs/NSAs to provide solidarity and technical support to Scouting in other regions*

**Progress:**

- Start the consultancy with establishing next steps to actual support
- Contact more NSOs
- **AC 5.1.4**  
*Map the partnerships that exist between Europe and Africa, initiate a similar exercise with Eurasia and communicate to NSOs/NSAs*

**Next Steps:**

- We are starting to work on an interactive map that would show all connections existing among NSOs with a description of the type and content of the partnerships. It will be available on euroscoutinfo.com

#### **4. Successes**

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

- A good meeting of the working group in Lisbon (26-28 August)
- The start of the mapping exercise and the interactive mapping
- The planning team meeting for the Europe Eurasia meeting
- The great mobilization of the UNGUVU partners at the Jamboree
- The success of the workshops at the Jamboree

#### **5. Challenges**

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

- Regarding UNGUVU project: to finish all the tools in the given deadlines and the follow up
- The wide spectrum of things to be done and to have it done with other groups.
- To move on with the consultancies
- The repartition/role of volunteers and office.

#### **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*

- In case we don't succeed with the funding application for an EVS to work on the issue, we need to find another solution to have a support at the office.