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To: International Commissioners in the Europe Region WAGGGS and the WOSM – European Region

Subject: Call for partners to join funding project: Academy 2012

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Facilitating Participation of MOs/NSOs/NSAs in European events – Call for Partners to join funding project: Academy 2012

To facilitate the participation of NSAs or NSOs to Regional Events the Regional Offices always tries to get funds from external sources and surely one of the main sources of funding for Scout and Guide activities is the Youth in Action Programme of the European Commission.

When applying for funding for our activities, we need to have a number of partner organisations. Those partner organisations are the ones which will get financial support. To be a partner organisation, MOs, NSOs or NSAs have to complete a Preliminary Agreement of the Partner form for the activity. Only participants coming from partner organisations are considered a part of the official project and can be reimbursed. (Others may participate but with no funding assistance).

What costs can be covered by the grant?

- Participant travel costs: 70 % of travel costs from home to the venue of the project and return using the cheapest method and fares (Economy class ticket, 2nd class train ticket)

- Project costs: fixed costs of 71 x person x night.
- Exceptional costs: any cost directly related to young people with fewer opportunities/ special needs or warranted by the special nature of the activities; visa costs.

For each NSO and NSA this means that if your are a partner:

- Only 30% of the travel costs to cover
- Lower participation fees
- If participants need a visa, the costs related to obtaining the visa are covered

The European Regional Office of WOSM will support Mouvement Scout de Suisse in submit an application for a Youth in Action funding project at National level.

Please note that besides all the EU countries also MOs/NSOs/NSAs from the following are eligible to become partners: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Croatia, Turkey, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine, Russian Federation.

If your NSO/NSA/MO is interested in attending:

- **The Academy 2012** that will take place at the Kandersteg International Scout Center, Switzerland in October 2012.

and you wish to benefit from the funding support, please:



Please fill in the Info Sheet attached (ANNEX A) and send it by email as soon as possible to: Rose-Marie Henny <u>mhenny@scout.org</u> and Rupert Schildboeck <u>rupert.schildboeck@scout.org</u>; Once this form will reach the office, Rose-Marie is going to contact the sending MO/NSO/NSA providing a further document ('the official Preliminary Agreement of the Partner'') that should be signed in original.

The deadline to submit the funding application is the 1st of May and therefore the signed agreements should reach the office before that date, by the 30th of April at the latest.

Please sign the agreement and became partner in the project only if your MO/NSO/NSA is really willing to attend the meeting. By signing the agreement you ensure that your MO/NSO/NSA will send participants to the meeting. By signing but then not sending any participants you might create substantive problems for the management of the project.

The funding application will be submitted to the Youth in Action agency no later than 1 May 2012 and the results will be communicated between 2 and 3 months after. The Offices will inform partner organisations in the project of the results.

If you need to know more about this issue don't hesitate to contact Rose-Marie at the WSB - European Regional Office in Geneva. <u>rmhenny@scout.org</u> or +41227051100

Yours sincerely,

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