## **Invitation**

# Leaders' voice for changing tomorrow

Euro Arab Young Leaders Workshop Evo Campsite, Finland, 23-28 July 2012

## **Background**

The two Regions, Europe and Arab, are convinced that change in society can only be brought by empowering young people to be leaders in their communities. The project answers the needs identified by NSOs in both regions. It will bring together Scouts from Arab and European NSOs aiming to provide them with input and opportunity to share, debate and learn. The participants are foreseen to become leaders in their organisation on the issues debated.

#### **Aims**

The aim of the meeting is to provide young leaders from Europe and Arab regions with input and opportunity to share, debate and learn, about their cultures but mostly about issues affecting them as young people and as scouts

## **Objectives**

The objectives of the meeting are:

- To improve the mutual intercultural understanding of the participants
- To make the participants capable to identify main issues they are facing as young people
- Raising awareness and understanding on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and the post MDGs issues.
- To improve the writing and negotiations skills of the participants.

#### **Dates**

# 23-28 July 2012

Participants are requested to arrive on Monday, 23 July during the day. Departures are from Saturday, 28 July.

## Venue

The meeting will take during the Roverway, at the main campsite, in Evo.

Participants will camp during the whole time of the workshop. European participants are requested to bring their tent. For Arab participants, the organisers will take care of it.

## Methodology

The activity will be a combination of theoretical and practical inputs, often using non-formal methods. The methods will include: visual presentations, group discussions, team tasks and learning through games, other active methods.

# Possible follow - up

It is expected that the outcomes of the meeting will be:

 A short declaration written by the participants, to be used for further work

- Transfer of knowledge empowering motivated, confident and skilled volunteers active in the field of youth at local and national level
- A peer to peer learning exchange
- A follow up back home, on the issues tackled, in the best way identified by the participant

## Languages

The event will be held exclusively in English.

## **Participants profile**

- Active volunteers in their sending NSO/NSA
- Aged between 18 and 24.
- Able to communicate well in English.
- Interested in global issues and intercultural exchanges

#### **Applications**

The enclosed application form should be returned by email to Marguerite Potard in the World Scout Bureau - European Regional Office by 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2012

Please send the email through your national office or International Commissioner (to confirm the support from your national association).

## **Participation fee**

The participation fee is € 100 for all participants
The fee covers the flights to Helsinki, all
accommodation and meals costs from 23<sup>rd</sup> July

until the 28 July, the local transports and the rent of tents (for Arab participants)

## **Travel arrangements**

Once participants have been selected, they will receive acceptance letters no later than 6 June 2012. Within 3 days of receipt, they should communicate with the office for the booking of their flights and the visa arrangements, if necessary.

If you require an official invitation to obtain a visa, please indicate this clearly on your application form. Please be aware, that it may take some time to obtain a visa, so please send your visa form with the application form in order to allow sufficient time for that process.

## **Insurance**

The WOSM - European Region does not cover risks of participants during the event neither during the travel to or from the venue.

Please note that this is the exclusive responsibility of the national association to check and be sure that the participants are covered by an appropriate insurance (illness, accidents, repatriation etc...)

## **Additional information**

If you need any further information please contact Marguerite Potard in e-mail: <a href="mpotard@scout.org">mpotard@scout.org</a>
We are aware to the fact that the event will take place during the Ramadan. Adapted food, as adapted hours will be organised for people who want.

## **Annexes**

• Application Form