

# 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:**

- Successful Partnership Meeting 15-18 March 2012 – Paris. 92 participants attending (13 from Eurasia). Good results
- Start of the preparation with the Italian federation for the next Euro Arab Meeting in 2013
- Organisation of a 4 days Euro Arab Young Leaders Workshop in July (at Roverway) with 23 participants from Europe and Arab Region. External Funding from Erik Frank and Anna Lindh Foundation (15.000 EUR and 3.000 EUR)
- Started to establish a framework for cooperation with Eurasia for better impact of the work at regional and national level

- **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:**

- **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. We have just renewed the mandate for two years (2012-2013).
- Suggestion to the Eurasia region to attend the next meeting of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (November 2012)

- **AC 5.1.4 – IN PROGRESS**

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

**Progress:**

- Map was launch at the Partnership events. It's available on the Partnerships in Scouting page on Facebook.

- **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:**

- Some delays were experienced with the finalisation. It will be done by July 2012

- We had a successful meeting of the UNGUVU colalition during the partnership event (report available)
- We submitted the next Europe Africa project (3.2) funding application on May 15. The project will be on food security and environment challenges.
- Following the demission of Benjamin Thurotte, we have recruited a new member of staff, Marguerite Potard, who started on May 1.
- A workshop around the UNGUVU tools will be organised at Roverway, facilitated by Tim Watson (now volunteering with the region)

• **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:**

- We are starting to support Switzerland for funding application for the NS network meeting in March 2013

• **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:**

• **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:**

• **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. We have a number of processes on:
  - Slovenia: on going.

- Ireland: on going

### 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:**
  - Need to establish a strategy towards Arab region, especially the gulf countries
- **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:**
- **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:**
  - Developing and Maintaining the interactive map
- **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:**
- **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:**
- **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:**

- The interactive map will be put online right after the partnerships event.

**4. Successes**

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

- Partnerships event
- Consultancy work has finally started
- The numerous projects started
- The funding application submitted for the next Euro Africa project

**5. Challenges**

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

- The wide spectrum of things to be done and to have it done with other groups.
- The demission of a volunteer
- The demission of a staff member
- The tools of UNGUVU not yet published
- The communication part of the work in this area

**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*

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