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 6.1.2 – In progress**
  Organise and facilitate networking opportunities for people from NSOs/NSAs with similar roles at national level
  Progress
    o   Preparations advanced for RoverNet + VentureNet
    o   Preparations advanced for the TCNM

- **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   Participated in the planning of the International Woodbadge Course organised by Netherlands in partnership with 9 other European NSOs (funded by YiA)
    o   Preparing the follow-up of ROLIS

- **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
    o   Session held at the Academy 2012
    o   Collection of best practices on cooperation with different platforms during the Academy under way
    o   Article on promotion of networking opportunities – to be completed after the meeting in MArch

- **AC 6.2.2 – In progress**
  Update existing materials and tools, or fill gaps, based on feedback from NSOs/NSAs or expert analysis
  Progress
    o   Materials collected during the Academy
    o   Mapping the existing materials and identifying the gaps – to be completed after the meeting in March

- **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   Documents available in other languages on scout.org
    o   Evaluating the usefulness of translating the methodology for creating a tool for assessing Scout skills developed by Les Scouts

- **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
    o   Continuing to monitor
    o   Collection of best NSO/NSA materials done during the Academy 2012. Analysis will be done at the meeting in March.

- **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

Progress
- o Developing knowledge and expertise since the Forum, and applying for linked funding
- o Session during the Academy

- **AC 6.3.2 – Achieved**
  Identify eLearning approaches being used by NSOs/NSAs and the impact that they have on the participation levels in training for adult volunteers
  Progress
  - o E-Learning project funded
  - o The partners identified at the Forum have started the nominations of the national teams for the project. Several skype calls held.
  - o A mapping of the needs is currently under way
  - o The search for a platform to host the materials is also under way
  - o All meetings are planned

- **AC 6.3.3 – Achieved**
  Collect and illustrate how various tools and technologies can be used by NSOs/NSAs to assist them in delivery of youth programme and support to adult volunteers
  - o Sessions at the Forum, Academy, RoverNet and TCNM

- **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 LoA "on hold" until next autumn
  - o ESVP working OK
  - o A funding application for a project on citizenship was submitted to the EU

- **AC 6.4.2 – Achieved**
  Support NSOs/NSAs seeking to review and update the international dimension of their youth programmes
  Progress
  - o Sessions at the Forum, Academy, RoverNet and TCNM

- **AC 6.5.1 – Achieved**
  Work with NSOs/NSAs to reflect on the usefulness of WOSM's youth programme and adult resources policies and make recommendations
  Progress
  - o Began at the Forum and feeding back through the EM world team and in preparations for the World Congress

3. **Next steps in implementing Objectives, Actions and achieving KPIs**
   Until next meeting of the European Scout Committee

   - **AC 6.1.2**
     Organise and facilitate networking opportunities for people from NSOs/NSAs with similar roles at national level
     - o Deliver the enlarged RoverNet + VentureNet

   - **AC 6.1.3**
     Support intra-regional projects in the field of Educational Methods, initiated by NSOs/NSAs with similar needs
     - o Support the Woodbadge Training Course in the Netherlands

   - **AC 6.2.3**
     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
     - o Evaluating the usefulness of translating the methodology for creating a tool for assessing Scout skills developed by Les Scouts

   - **AC 6.2.4**
     Follow the development of materials and tools being produced by NSOs/NSAs, other Regions and external organisations, and be ready to promote if appropriate
     - o Continuing to monitor

- **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
    - o Implement the e-Learning project

- **AC 6.3.3**
  Collect and illustrate how various tools and technologies can be used by NSOs/NSAs to assist them in delivery of youth programme and support to adult volunteers
    - o Use the experiences from the Forum and the Academy in preparations of the Congress

- **AC 6.4.1**
  Develop and promote the European Scout Voluntary Programme, Lands of Adventure framework and the Scouts of the World scheme
    - o Administering ESVP
    - o Promotion at the Rovernet/ Venturenet
    - o Act on the results of the Citizenship funding application

4. Successes
Please list the key successes since the last meeting of the European Scout Committee
- Follow-up on the work of the Forum
- Good input at the Academy

5. Challenges
Please list the key challenges since the last meeting of the European Scout Committee
- Not a lot of clear tasks for the group after delivering the Forum

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
- Nothing special.

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