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European Scout Region

Circular 14/2014

Invitation

Safe From Harm Network Meeting

Brussels (Belgium), 29 June - 1 July 2014

Background

In the framework of the project "Safe from harm! Creating a safe environment for children and young people in youth organisations", the European Scout Region is pleased to invite you to the Safe From Harm Network Meeting which will be held on 29 June and 1 July 2014 in Brussels, Belgium. This event will be an integral part of the closing meeting of the 8 NSO/NSAs partners in the Safe From Harm European project: they will meet the day before the Network Meeting to internally evaluate the project while all other NSOs/NSAs are invited to join them for the following two days. The European Safe from Harm project is financed by the DAPHNE III Programme of the European Commission.

Aim

The Safe from Harm Network Meeting will promote European networking by facilitating the exchange of knowledge, perspectives, practices and expertise in the framework of child/youth protection in Scouting.

Objectives

The main objectives of the meeting are:

- To receive an update on the latest trends and developments of child/youth protection inside and outside Scouting;
- To share the results achieved in the framework of the European Safe from Harm project;
- To share best practices, challenges and needs of NSOs/NSAs in the field of child/youth protection.
- To explore the feasibility of further actions to be developed in the field of child/youth protection in the European Scout Region.

Dates

The meeting will start on 30 June in the morning; therefore participants are welcome to arrive on 29 June in the evening. The departures are from the afternoon of 1 July after the lunch, comprising 1.5 days of work and 2 nights of stay. A detailed programme will be shared with participants at a later but please note that 30 June will be dedicated to the networking while 1 July will be dedicated to a high level conference open to different stakeholders: the key finding of the project will be presented and followed by a panel discussion with experts from different settings, institutions and organisations on "How

to ensure safe environments in non formal education". The conference will also be attended by external organisations.

Venue

The Safe from Harm Network meeting will take place in the Chant D'Oiseau venue, in Brussels. The venue offers rooms for accommodation and is equipped with all the necessary facilities to run the event. Participants will be accommodated in twin rooms. For more information please visit the website: <http://www.chant-oiseau.be/>
The reservation will be handled by WOSM so please do not contact the venue yourself. The high level conference will take place in a different venue in Brussels, easily reachable by public transport.

Methodology

Non-formal methods will be used during the event, including audio-visual presentations, group discussions and other active methods. NSOs/NSAs will be asked to actively contribute to the meeting by bringing materials and preparing specific inputs. More information about this will be communicated upon the official confirmation of participation.

Follow - up

During the meeting there will be specific time dedicated to the exchanging of ideas around possible future actions to be developed in the field of child/youth protection in Scouting and specifically in the European Region of WOSM.



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Languages

The event will be held in English. In the case of a number of participants requiring French, linguistic support will be organised.

Participants profile

- Volunteers or staff working on child/youth protection in NSOs/NSAs preferably at national level.
- The participants should be able to communicate well in English.

Preparation for the meeting

Participating NSOs/NSAs will be asked to bring along with them material related to the topic and to be able report on the work developed in their organisations. Considering that specific time will be dedicated to explore possible future cooperation in the field of child/youth protection, a prior internal reflection on expectations and needs might be very beneficial to the discussion.

Also, in order to properly prepare for the topic, NSOs/NSAs might wish to check the resources available in the Safe from Harm website: <http://www.safefromharm.eu/links-to-useful-websites/>

Registration

Please register online for the meeting before **5 June 2014** at the following link:

www.safefromharm.eu/networkmeeting2014

Number of participants

We will accept up to two participants from an association. Priority will be given to have the largest number of different countries represented. Please note that the meeting has a limited number of places available for participation therefore registration will follow the principle "first come, first served" considering that a maximum of 20 participants are possible (to be accommodated in twin rooms).

Participation fee

The participation fee is EUR 150 (Euros). The fee covers the full programme (including accommodation, meals, social programme, and event materials) from the dinner of 29 June to lunch on 1 July 2014. The standard accommodation is in twin rooms.

The fee of EUR 150 does not include any travel costs to the venue that should be arranged by the participating organisations themselves. Bank details for paying the participation fee will be provided to participants upon registration. Unfortunately organisations that are not official partners of the European Safe from Harm project cannot benefit from the European Union grant.

Travel arrangements

Once participants have been approved, they will receive all the travel information and a travel form. After that they should make their own travel arrangements. The transport from the airports will NOT be provided by the Region.

Insurance

The WOSM - European Region does not cover 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 insurance (illness, accidents, repatriation etc.)

Planning Team

The event is organised by the Steering Group of the Safe from Harm! Project

- Tim Gelhaar, Germany
- Dasa Cingalkova, Slovakia
- Fedde Boersma, The Netherlands

The WOSM staff support will be ensured by:

- Nicolò Pranzini, WSB - European Regional Office / Safe from Harm! Project Manager
- Manuela Capraro WSB - European Regional Office / Safe from Harm! Project Assistant

Additional information

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