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To:

International Commissioners and other principal contacts of NSOs and NSAs in the European Region

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Invitation

**40th World Scout Conference, European Region Meetings
Monday, 11 August 2014 & Friday, 15 August 2014**

Dear Friends,

The World Scout Conference is WOSM's governing body and is composed of all members of the World Organization: the National Scout Organizations. Its function is to consider policy and standards of the Scout Movement throughout the world, formulate general policies of the World Organization, and take the necessary action to further the goals of the Movement.

"Shaping a common future" will be the theme of the 40th World Scout Conference. As the theme suggests, the agenda of the Conference will include discussions on the WOSM Vision 2023, as well as projects and major topics and proposals, while looking into the future. NSOs will also be given the opportunity to meet in Regional Groups as before. Two Regional meetings have been foreseen during the Conference; one at the beginning and the second at the end.

The European Scout Committee, responding to the request of many NSOs to provide a time slot to discuss further the main topics included in the agenda of the World Scout Conference, has allocated the first of the two Regional meetings for this purpose. The second regional meeting will be focused on the specific work of the European Scout Region; highlights on the work done after the Regional Conference in Berlin, in brief the implications of the World Conference, as well as what will follow in the Region.

The first Regional Meeting: from Curitiba to Ljubljana

The European Scout Committee has identified the key topics for which separate sessions will be held during the **first Regional meeting**. The role of the European Scout Committee during these sessions will be **only** to facilitate.

Below you will find the suggested plan of the first meeting to be held on **Monday 11 August 2014, from mid-morning to lunch**:

Sessions	Duration	Group A	Group B
In plenary	5 minutes	Opening – Welcome - Overview	
Session 1	30 minutes	Vision 2023 and Plan	Vision 2023 and Plan
Session 2	30 minutes	Global Issues	Human Rights
Session 3	30 minutes	Duty to God	Transparency
Session 4	30 minutes	Resolutions ¹	Resolutions or WSC Elections ²
In plenary	25 minutes	Plenary feedback ³ – Closing	

¹ The session on Resolutions would be facilitated by those proposing "European" resolutions, those thinking they want to, and those who want to learn more.

² If there is a need for a session on the World Scout Committee elections, this would be possible. The session would be held without the presence of European Scout Committee members.

³ The plenary feedback is to ensure that small delegations of 1 person can share the information and outputs.

The second Regional Meeting: from Ljubljana to Oslo fjord

It will take place on **Friday, 15 August 2014, early afternoon.**

Agenda Item	Duration	In Plenary
1	5 minutes	Opening
2	5 minutes	Operational Framework for Regional Scout Plan
3	30 minutes	Regional Scout Plan highlights
4	40 minutes	Events Promotion
5	30 minutes	Outcomes of the World Conference - Impact on Europe
6	40 minutes	Feedback - Closing

If you need any further information please contact either your Committee Contact or the European Regional Office (europe@scout.org).

We hope that we have address the needs of associations attending the World Scout Conference and would like to hear from you before 1 June 2014 if you feel that other steps should be taken.

Hoping for a very fruitful and productive Conference, we look forward to seeing you in Slovenia.

Yours in Scouting,



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