



Regional Scout Committee, European Region
Comité Scout Régional, Région Européenne

Regional Scout Plan 2013-2016

Report to the European Scout Committee

Group: Educational Methods Core Group

Reporting period: 21/02/2014 – 22/05/2014

1. Introduction

This report deals with **Educational Methods Core Group** as outlined in the Regional Scout Plan 2013-2016. It should be read in conjunction with the Regional Scout Plan 2013-2016, which can be accessed at www.scout.org/europe

2. Progress in implementing Objectives, Actions and achieving KPIs

Please list in brief, in bullet points, the actions that have been implemented in the reporting period. When listing the actions, please refer them to the respective Objectives and KPIs

- Training Commissioners Network Meeting (TCNM) was held in Porto, Portugal from 8th to 11th May (Objective 1, KPI 1).
- An internal benchmark study about the various aspects of "Management of Volunteers in Scouting (MoViS)" was conducted during the TCNM. The results will be used to identify what areas are particularly interesting concerning external benchmarking with other volunteer organisations (Objective 1, KPI 1)
- A European post-congress meeting for the 1st World Scout Education Congress was held in Porto, Portugal from 9th to 11th May. The results will be used in the planning of the next European Educational Methods Forum in winter/spring 2015 (Objectives 1&2, KPIs 123).
- Global Support request from Scouting Ireland on adult training has been responded to and has been completed. (Objective 1, KPI 1)
- Global Support request from ASDE (Spain) on programme development has been responded to, but is still in progress (Objective 2, KPIs 2 & 3)
- Global Support request from Nordic Leader Training Course has been responded to, but the exact form of support and cooperation is still being discussed (Objective 1, KPI 1).

3. Next steps in implementing Objectives, Actions and achieving KPIs

Please list in bullet points, what actions are going to be implemented in the following period, until the next meeting of the European Scout Committee

- The Educational Methods Core Group will hold a meeting in Barcelona from 21st to 22nd June. The main agenda points will be the Regional Scout Plan and the Educational Methods Forum (EMF) of 2015. We are also preparing to recruit a new volunteer to lead the EMF.
- Participating in AKELA 2014 cub scout leader camp in Germany from 2nd to 6th August. Interacting with cub scout leaders from more than 30 countries to learn more about how we could better support and inspire them in their volunteer roles.
- The eLearning event will take place in Brussels in June (Objective 1, KPI 1)
- The Safe from Harm event will take place in Brussels in June/July (Objective 1, KPI 1)
- Planning team of RoverNet/VentureNet will meet in Iceland on the last weekend of June (Objective 2, KPIs 2&3).

- Cooperating with ICT network on the membership data analysis part of the Regional Scout Plan (Objective 3, KPI 3)

4. Successes

Please list the key successes in the reporting period

- The Training Commissioners Network Meeting was a success. See the event report for more details.
- The European post-congress meeting for the 1st World Scout Education Congress was a good place to discuss the European dimension of Educational Methods and where the work on this area should be focusing within the next few years.

5. Challenges

Please list the key challenges in the reporting period

- Rubén del Pozo Fernández (the former EMCG member responsible for membership data analysis related RSP actions – objective 3) has stepped aside from his Regional volunteer role in order to better meet the increased responsibility in his professional life. As such, we need to find new ways to meet this objective and to get work going on related actions points.
- The virtual working methods of the group need to be evaluated and developed in order to increase efficiency in delivering the Regional Scout Plan. This matter will be discussed in the June meeting of the Core Group.

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

- More active and personal communication from the Committee to the Regional volunteers would contribute positively to the engagement and dynamics of our volunteer pool. I propose looking into what could be done to enhance these internal aspects of communication.

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