



Regional Scout Plan 2013-2016

Report to the European Scout Committee

Group: EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND FUNDING CORE GROUP

Reporting period: (30/06/14 – 31/10/2014)

1. Introduction

This report deals with **External relations and funding** 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

- WOSM is participating in EYF actively. At this moment WOSM has a candidate for the board and a scout is running for chair (but not going for WOSM). The coordination between scout people in the EYF is good. (OB1; AC 1.2)
- The checklist for info about ER&F was completed and the compilation process has started. Unfortunately a big number of NSO has not already answer. We are in the middle of the process. (OB1; AC 1.3)
- We are preparing or participating in the preparation of ER&F topics for: Young spokesperson training and Network Meeting (OB1; AC 1.4)
- A proposal for Big Six meeting has been developed looking for common interests and to facilitate the meeting. Now we are sending the proposal and waiting for answers. (OB2; AC 2.2)
- Fundraisers meeting: 15 participants (more than expected). Different level, targeting more the staff, but had volunteers. So in many NSO there is no staff working on fundraising. Next time we will target more key volunteers (also board members), people who can engage the NSOs in developing a real strategy in funding. Biggest and more experience NSOs didn't attend. (OB4; AC 4.1)

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 policy papers on Youth Empowerment, Youth right and NFE are almost finished and will be shared before the end of the year. For first months in 2015 we'll have Employability, social Inclusion and mobility. We are preparing too some instructions to help to use them properly. (OB1; AC 1.1 and 1.4)
- We'll start the preparation of a Guidelines document to help NSO and NSA to start the work in ER (OB 3)
- We'll start global support to Croatian NSO (as soon as the concrete needs and consultant profiles are completely defined)
- Young spokesperson training will happen with the support of ERFCG working with YE group.
- We hope we'll have a lot more completed checklists and if so we'll give results on this

4. Successes

Please list the key successes in the reporting period

With the summer in the middle this period hasn't had any special successes to be underlined Just to comment the evaluation of the meeting and rethinking of the concept, target and proposals for them.

5. Challenges

Please list the key challenges in the reporting period

The biggest challenge has been communication in the group. We have evaluated and change our way to communicate, centralising more in individual follow up by the coordinator member than in skype meetings.

Other important challenge is the demand we have received for GS, since it doesn't fit exactly (sometimes by far) to our work, and neither probably to our consultants. We consider important to identify profiles specialized on marketing.

Other challenge for the group is that a lot of our actions require the collaboration of other institutions or the NSO so it's not 100% under our control and it makes timings unpredictable.

6. Content of the work

Please use this space if you wish to share aspects of the content of the work undertaken or to be undertake or on-going aspects worth noting

7. 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

The challenges reflected about GS and checklist requires the attention of the ESC.

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