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To: *International Commissioners and other Principal Contacts of NSOs, NSAs, MOs and CAs in the European Regions of WAGGGS and WOSM*

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Update on the Work in Partnership of WOSM and WAGGGS in Europe

Dear Friends

We would like to give you a short update on the Work in Partnership between the European Scout Region of WOSM and the Europe Region WAGGGS.

The Academy 2014 in Serbia was another very successful edition of this event – this time it brought together over 230 Guides and Scouts! Again, we have been able to rely on some great volunteers from both Regions – thanks a lot to all members of the support team and to the facilitators – but also to our hosts from Serbia.

Shortly afterwards the two **Regional Committees** met in Brussels for a joint meeting. They had an update on the work related to Roverway 2016 and signed a Memorandum of Understanding between the two Regions and the French Organisers. If your NSO/MO has not yet started advertising this great camp, please start to do so to make sure as many Rangers and Rovers as possible will be „on their way“ to Roverway 2016!

The Committees also started discussing the **European Conferences** which will be held from 16 to 21 June 2016 in Norway and they reviewed the annual report on the work in partnership which you will receive in a few weeks' time.

Related to next year's agenda we kindly ask you to save the following dates of **Joint Events**:

- 5 to 8 February 2015 for the ICT Network Meeting: "Scouts and Guides I/O" in Prague (CZ);
- 25 February 2015 for the Donor Advocacy event: "Skills, employability and active citizenship" in Brussels (BE);
- 28 October to 1 November 2015 for The Academy in Porto (PT);
- 30 October to 1 November 2015 for the Chief Volunteers Event (Chief Guides, Chief Scouts, Presidents, etc.) which will be held at the same venue as The Academy in Porto (PT);
- 26 to 29 October 2015 for the Network Meeting of External Representatives, also held at the same venue as The Academy, in Porto (PT).

We would also like to remind you of the unique opportunity we have in the **Leadership Training Fund (LTF)**: if you are planning training projects that involve Guides and/or Scouts from more than one European country – please don't hesitate to apply to the fund! You will find the rules and a non-mandatory application form for the fund attached to this letter (Annexes I and II, in English only).

Finally we wish you and your families and friends all the best for the upcoming festive season and every success with all your plans in 2015!

Yours in Scouting and Guiding,

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