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

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Erasmus+ Paris Declaration (focus on work with refugees) Call For Project Partners

Dear friends,

This circular provides you with information on the upcoming application on an Erasmus+ grant focusing on inclusion of young people and in particular new arrived migrants, for which your NSO/NSA can be partners. To be able to be a partner in this project, please check carefully the requirements below and follow all the steps described. The application will be submitted at European level by the WSB, Europe Support Centre, Brussels.

Call name: Key Action 3: Support for policy reform, Social inclusion through education, training and youth. Call for proposals EACEA No 05/2016.

Call focus: Foster the inclusion of disadvantaged learners, including persons with a migrant background, while preventing and combating discriminatory practices. Preventing violent radicalization, promoting democratic values, fundamental rights, intercultural understanding and active citizenship.

Application deadline: 30 May 2016

The full set of documents for the call can be found at the link below:

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding/key-action-3-initiatives-for-policy-innovation-social-inclusion-through-education-training-and-youth_en

We are proposing to develop a partnership and **apply with a project on Strand 2 - Large scale European Voluntary Service (EVS)**.

Many NSOs and NSAs in our Region are already working directly or indirectly with refugees and migrants. We find that this line of funding brings a good opportunity to combine the direct support of European scout volunteers that wish to offer their service in helping to solve the situation, with the medium to long-term approach of European Scouting providing educational activities, tools and materials to the children and young people that are refugees.

Financial conditions: The maximum project grant is 500 000 EUR with a co-funding of minimum 20%. External co-funding (such as MoP and other capacity building initiatives) and use of existing resources in the Region, through the next Regional Scout Plan and in partner organisations, would be explored to cover the co-funding element.

Project Aim

Encouraging volunteering in Europe to support the welcoming of refugees and strengthen their integration into Scout activities.

Draft Objectives

The project proposes to:

- Host long-term volunteering placements for **up to 100** volunteers coming from EU countries, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, FYROM and Turkey in hot-zones of the EU where there are refugee camps
- Develop educational activities dedicated to children and young people from refugee camps that will help start their future integration in the European society
- Promote mutual understanding and respect among young people with different ethnic backgrounds (targeted groups are both European citizens and refugees) with the aim of facilitating the intercultural dialogue and inclusion of the newcomers in local European communities;
- Support the adaptation of tools and methods that NSOs and NSAs but also other Youth NGOs (YNGOs) could use to welcome refugees in their activities once they establish in a community where a Scout group (or a local branch of the YNGO) exists.

The objectives and actions are flexible and could be further specifically tailored to the needs of each partner.

How to benefit from these grants?

We invite the NSOs and NSAs interested in becoming partners, to contribute to the development of the final project objectives. We would like this project to meet the needs and expectations of all partners involved. We see a direct correlation to some possible elements of the next Regional Scout Plan currently being explored.

To be able to do that, **we invite the interested organisations to:**

- Express their interest through filling in the Doodle at the link below to show their availability for a Skype meeting where the project aim, objective and possible involvement of their organisation will be discussed. Deadline to fill in the doodle: 22 April. Everyone is welcome in this first information call.

<http://doodle.com/poll/ebt44ymdxd4nmeccd>

- Fill in by 10 May 2016 a draft document (form will be provided) containing:
 - the description of the activities they will undertake as project partners in their countries
 - the budget connected to these activities
 - the CV of the key person coordinating the partner's involvement in the project plus a short description (min. 10 lines) of the experience and expertise of this person in direct relation to the project
 - a list of the projects connected to the selected objectives, lot and strand of the call implemented by your organisation or department in the last three years and a short description of the project impacts and achievements.
 - Potential partners (categories):
 - Hosting Organisations- NSOs and NSAs from countries where there are refugee camps (hot zones)
 - Sending Organisations- NSOs and NSAs from EU countries, Iceland, Liechtenstein, FYROM and Turkey
 - Expert Organisations- the call is especially highlighting the need of having complementary partnerships with expert organisations that do have background in welcoming new migrants.
 - Associated Partners - organisations interested in the topic that would like to support the dissemination of the project results.
 - Current activities related to refugee work or European Voluntary Service

- Additional background material (tools your NSO/NSA uses for inclusion, policies?)
- Possibly participate in a **one-day working meeting on 18 May (tbc)**. In case the interested organisations will decide to have this live meeting during the preliminary Skype call, it will take place in Brussels, Rue de l'Industrie 10 (Mundo-J building). The organisations participating in this meeting should make their own travel arrangements. The European Scout Region will ensure the hosting of the meeting (meals and, for those requesting, one night of accommodation).

To be able to benefit from this grant, at least 3 different EU countries should be involved.

Which NSOs/NSAs are eligible for this grant? All 28 EU member states, Iceland and Liechtenstein, FYROM and Turkey.

For any further questions related to this call for partners, please contact my colleague Sinziana Rasca, strasca@scout.org.

Yours sincerely,



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