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TO:

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

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Initial Deadline (subscribing to doodle) – 8 May 2016

Development Education and Awareness Raising (DEAR) Programme Call for Expression of Interest

Dear friends,

This circular provides you with information on a Call for "Raising public awareness of development issues and promoting development education in the European Union". Our initial response has to be in the form of a Concept Note.

To be able to be a partner in this concept note, 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: DEAR Call on "Raising public awareness of development issues and promoting development education in the European Union"

Call focus: to promote development education and raise public awareness on development and cooperation policies.

Specific objective: the proposed projects must foster a growing awareness and critical understanding of the role, responsibility and lifestyles of the public in relation to an interdependent world. It should motivate their effective involvement in local and global Actions in support of the social, economic, and environmental dimensions of sustainable development with a clear focus to SDGs.

A particular emphasis is expected on issues related to migration, climate change and gender equality.

Deadline for submission of concept note: 1 June 2016

The full set of documents for the call can be found here: http://bit.ly/1SKI1Yo

The DEAR Programme aims to anchor awareness and understanding of global development in our societies. It supports the active engagement of civil society organisations in eradicating poverty, promote justice, human rights and democracy, social responsibility, gender equality and sustainable development strategies.

The European Commission has made this call more accessible to youth organizations by adding a special focus on "Actions outside of the formal education system (such as youth groups, non-formal education, seminar type conferences, etc.)".

Keeping in mind the global approach of the call, the focus on the Sustainable Development Goals and the clear reference to global education and citizenship, we believe that it would be a positive asset for the Movement to be able to apply to this programme with a strong consortium of member organizations.

Our proposal is to develop an important, wide consortium of partners and apply with a project on **Lot 1** – Global learning education and campaigning and advocacy projects led by a Civil Society Organisation (CSO) or an association of CSOs from EU member states.

Financial conditions: The Minimum Amount of grant requested is EUR 3,000,000 with a cofunding of a minimum of 10% (such as MoP and other capacity building initiatives). The use of existing resources in the Region and the taking into account of the time commitment, which can be reflected in a financial equivalent, are all ways in which contributions can be calculated. Together we will thoroughly explore all aspects of the funding aspect.

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: 8 May 2016

Everyone is welcome in this first information call.

http://doodle.com/poll/tq7pw8bcbrui2agf

Important note:

Please note that the concept note will be submitted only if a wide and strong consortium of partners can be created.

Please also note that the submission of the concept note is the first step of the application procedure. The information concerning the role of partners and the implementation details of the project provided in the concept note can be amended afterwards in the main project proposal.

Which NSOs/NSAs are eligible for this grant? All 28 EU member states, as well as Iceland, Liechtenstein, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey.

For any further questions related to this call for partners, please contact my colleague Camilla Palazzini (cpalazzini@scout.org).

Yours sincerely,

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