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To:

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

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Erasmus+ Call for Partners for Four Projects

Dear International Commissioners,

This circular provides you with information on the next four applications for which your NSO/NSA can be partners: Management of Volunteers in Scouting (MOVIS), Educational Methods Forum, Regional Event on Communication and European Agora.

To be able to be a partner in these projects, please check carefully the rules below and follow all the steps described. The four applications will be submitted at national level by the relevant hosting NSOs.

Description and objectives of these projects

1) Management of Volunteers in Scouting, Spain, 07-10 December 2017

The MOVIS (former Training Commissioners' Networking Meeting) has become one of the well-known and successful networking opportunities for national leaders in the European Region. The aim of the network meeting is to offer a motivating and informative opportunity for experts in the field of adult resources management, volunteering and training to share experiences and learn from each other.

Focusing on training within the context of adult resources, the objectives of the meeting are to:

- Stimulate participants to reflect on the needs of their organisations
- Support participants to understand new trends and their impact, and explore ways to react to them
- Offer an opportunity for effective networking and partnerships
- Inspire participants on the implementation of innovative methods

2) Educational Methods Forum, Romania, 31 May - 03 June 2018

The Educational Methods Forum is one of the most popular events which takes place in the European Scout Region, and has a very special atmosphere due to the participants having similar interest in the educational aspects of Scouting and sharing similar backgrounds, challenges and concerns.

The aim of the Forum is to assist National Scout Associations in monitoring and improving their Youth Programme and Adult Resources strategies, to increase the impact of the work done at national level to support the action at local level.

3) Regional Event on Communication 2018, Estonia, 31 May - 03 June 2018

The Regional Event on Communication 2018 is a brand-new event designed to enable participants to have high quality training and networking opportunities around the core priorities of Spreading our Message area of operations.

The event is open to anyone holding a position at national level in a National Scout Organisations/National Scout Associations in the areas of Communication, External Representation, Media Relations, Digital Communication, Social Media Management and similar areas of work.

The Event will take place in late May 2018 in Estonia. The event is held subject to the success of the funding application.

The general objectives of the meeting are:

- · To transfer knowledge on how to improve the image of Scouting at national level
- To learn how to effectively and successfully improve the different communication strategies at national level
- To build synergies and encourage networking and sharing of best practices between NSOs/NSAs.

4) European Agora, Ireland, April 2018

An Agora is an educational tool that uses the Scout Method to reach the educational objectives for the rover age section and that has a special emphasis on youth empowerment. What makes an Agora so special is that it is an event run "for Rovers, by Rovers". As a result, the event looks at issues that are of importance and relevant to young people in our society today.

An Agora aims to be a meeting place in which dreams, feelings, concerns, experiences, ideas and paths cross together, are connected and shared; a crossroad that would be a source of inspiration and energy. It is a place where the fundamentals of Scouting are present in a way that is attractive to young people today. It is a place for debate and sharing as well as teaching and learning from one another. And most importantly, an Agora is about getting new motivation and direction to one's path as a rover.

Each event focuses on a major theme, on which the programme is built upon.

How to benefit from these grants?

1) Fill in the relevant information for each application

Please fill in all the relevant information following this link: https://goo.gl/forms/snrvioMbLjzk48QJ3. You will be able to choose for which application you want to be partner (one or more). Please note that it is required to fill in all the questions. Please be accurate in your answers related to the specific questions for each event. **Do not copy-paste** for each question the same information, as they need to be specific to each project. This information will be then directly copy pasted into the application and therefore, this information will be evaluated as part of the assessment of the entire project.

Please note that by being a partner to a grant, you commit your NSO/NSA to send at least one participant to the event for which you are signing.

Please note that mandates received without the relevant information inserted will not be accepted.

2) Mandate

For each of the applications, you can find attached to this circular the specific Mandate template. Please fill in all the parts in yellow and the legal representative should sign it. Please make sure that the person signing the mandate is the one you indicated in your ECAS account. Then send us back a scanned copy by email to phunor@scout.org 15 April 2017. Considering that the deadline for applying is 26th of April, applications received after the 15 April 2017 will not be accepted.

What kind of support will you benefit from?

Reduced Travel cost

The reimbursement will be done based on a lump sum calculated on the travel distance for each participant. For travel distances between:

100 and 499 KM: 180 EUR per participant 500 and 1999 KM: 275 EUR per participant 2000 and 2999 KM: 360 EUR per participant 3000 and 3999 KM: 530 EUR per participant 4000 and 7999 KM: 820 EUR per participant

For the purpose of the application, please note that all the distances will be calculated from the capital of your country. If you wish to indicate another departure point, please contact Peter Hunor, phunor@scout.org.

• Reduced participation fee

Which NSOs/NSAs are eligible for these grants? All 28 EU member states, FYROM, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Turkey.

For any further questions related to this call for partners or related more generally to the programme Erasmus+, please contact my colleague Peter Hunor, phunor@scout.org

Yours sincerely,

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