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To:  
International Commissioners and  
principal NSO contacts in Europe

Regional Circular 31 2017

**8<sup>th</sup> Sharjah International Scout Gathering**

Dear friends

On 28 November 2017, we received an invitation for the NSOs in the Region to be represented in the 8<sup>th</sup> Sharjah International Scout Gathering which will take place between 1-10 February 2018. Please kindly note the very tight deadline, resulting in our inability at present to translate the information.

One male Rover participant from each NSO in Europe is invited with the following criteria:

- High interest in reading and experience on the importance of reading and its impacts and role in developing nations at national or regional levels that can be shared among other participants
- He should be a registered member of his NSO
- Aged between 18-23 years
- Applicants must be nominated by his NSIO officially
- Good command of English to be able to exchange his experience with others
- Deadline for applications is Sunday 17 December 2017
- A complete registration should be submitted by email to the Arab Support Centre (arab@scout.org) including the following items:
  - A complete registration form endorsed stamped by the NSO
  - A coloured scan copy of the nominated Rover's valid passport – 6 months validity
  - A coloured passport sized recent photograph (4x6) with a white background

Full details are attached in a factsheet from the Arab Region, as well as the application form to be completed. Please note that travel arrangements can only be completed upon confirmation of acceptance of the participants and will likely be arranged directly by the Emirates Scout Association

The Arab Region recognises the positive contribution made in previous gatherings by European Rovers. Despite the short deadline, we urge you to make this opportunity known to Rovers in your NSO. Please note the invitation applies to NSOs, and NSAs should liaise to select one representative. Additional participants are welcome at their own expense.

Please copy applications sent to arab@scout.org also to europe@scout.org so that we can assist if there are difficulties.

Kind regards.

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Attachments: The 8<sup>th</sup> Sharjah International Youth Gathering – factsheet  
Registration Form