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Call for Extra-ordinary meeting of the European Scout Conference Friday, 29 March 2019, Grand Hotel Excelsior, Valletta, Malta

Dear friends

In compliance with the Constitution of the European Scout Region (2016), Article III.3.b, I write to advise that the European Scout Committee wishes to call an Extra-ordinary meeting of the European Scout Conference to be held in Malta, at the Grand Hotel Excelsior, Valletta, on Friday 29 March 2019, commencing at 09.00.

Although the Extra-ordinary meeting is held in conjunction with the European Scout Symposium, it is possible to send representatives only to the Extra-ordinary meeting. The invitation to the Symposium will follow shortly.

We request that you register those who will represent your NSO at the extra-ordinary meeting using this link.

Please note that this is an official constitutional event and for NSA members of a federation, they may only register through the NSO.

In compliance with the World Scout Constitution, Article XI, 3, and in the absence of such a clause currently in the regional constitution, it is possible to be represented at the meeting by proxy. Giving the proxy of your member organization requires this to be advised in advance of the opening session at 09.00 on 29 March 2019. It is important to note that Member Organizations may not hold the proxy votes of more than one organization.

Please complete the registration form attached for the Extra-ordinary meeting of the European Conference by the date specified. This will enable the credentials of all those attending to be verified in advance.

There are a number of reasons for this extra-ordinary meeting:

- Colleagues may recall the difficulties encountered during the 22nd European Scout Conference in interpreting the provisions of the Regional Constitution and reconciling these with the Additional Rules of Procedure. To make this easier, the Regional Constitution has been revised, using common phrasing throughout to avoid misunderstandings.
- There is a desire to build on the good practices piloted and adopted for the 41st World Scout Conference in Baku, Azerbaijan in 2017 and it is hoped to engage these processes, particularly relating to the Rules of Procedure, so that the 23rd European Scout Conference may also benefit by adopting these processes.

- There were a number of elements of the Constitution of the European Scout Region which need to be reviewed following the 41st World Scout Conference to enable more efficient workings. The Region has worked with the Constitutions Committee to that end.
- To enable greater alignment between the World Triennial Planning and planning in general there is a proposal to bring the next regional conference forward by a year so that after the 43rd World Scout Conference in Egypt, within one year the following European Regional Conference and most other regional conferences will take place to enable timely reaction to the unifying World Triennial Plan and ensuring appropriate initiatives at regional level to provide the best elaboration of regional actions.

I remain at your disposal for any clarifications.

Yours sincerely

David McKee Regional Director Secretary to the European Scout Committee

Attachments:

- Agenda of the Extra-ordinary meeting of the European Conference, Malta, March 2019 including proposed changes to the Constitution of the European Scout Region
- Constitution of the European Scout Region 2016
- Annotation of the Constitution of the European Scout Region showing proposed changes
- Draft Conference Document 2, Rules of Procedure, 23rd European Scout Conference 2019