



## Youth Forum Information

**The 10th World Scout Youth Forum was held in Korea, from Monday 7 July to – Thursday 10 July 2008, just prior to the 38th World Scout Conference.**

### REGISTRATION & FEES

Please visit the Registration & Fees page.

### PROGRAMME

In the first meeting in Geneva, September 2006, the Planning Committee agreed on a number of topics that would be relevant to discuss. Both Scouting and non-Scouting topics were considered.

**"Scouting in the new century"**, including:

- Empowering young people
- Scouting's profile
- Items from the agenda of the World Scout Conference, 2008
- The challenges for Scouting in the next 100 years

**"Creating a better world"**, including:

- Millennium Development Goals
- The Scouts of the World Award
- Service in one's own community

A detailed programme of the WSYF is available at the Youth Forum documents area.

### Exhibition

During the World Scout Youth Forum an exhibition area will be arranged, in this area participants can display National projects, information about their NSO or/and country, etc.

Participants can request display panels (one per country) or space for self supporting displays:

Display panels are 1.8m high, 1m wide. ONE display panel is guaranteed per request received.

If you have a free-standing display, please let us know the floor space required. ( \_\_\_ cm wide and \_\_\_ cm deep.)

Please let us know if you have any special requests or needs.

The placement of displays will be based on the date the reservation request is received. Displays must be mounted by 22:00 on Sunday 6 July. If no message has been received asking for later installation, your space may be allocated to someone on the waiting list, or the position of your display will be changed.

If you wish to request a display panel or space for self supporting displays, please send an email no later than 26 June 2008 to Andres Morales

### Workshops

On Wednesday 9 July at 11:30hrs, one part of the Forum session will take the form of Workshops. Participants will be invited to propose Workshops during that part (sharing their experiences of specific concrete projects organized by their associations, sharing ideas about how Scouting contribute in the society, etc).

Participants who would like to propose a Workshop should be prepared to introduce it briefly and then to run a workshop on the subject. Please let us know if you need any special equipment for your workshop.

If you wish to propose a Workshop please complete Form#3 and return it to a member of the World Scout Youth Forum Planning Committee before Monday 7 July at 12:30hrs.

### Open Forum

On Tuesday 8 July at 14:30hrs, one part of the Forum session will take the form of an Open Forum. Participants will be invited to propose subjects for discussion during that part. This session will be organized in an open space method, according to topics proposed by the participants.

Participants who would like to propose a subject should be prepared to introduce it briefly and to suggest some questions which could help to structure the discussion that follows.

If you wish to propose a subject for discussion during the Open Forum, complete Form#2 and return it to a member of the World Scout Youth Forum Planning Committee before Monday 7 July at 12:30hrs.

### Project fair

On Tuesday 8 July at 16:15hrs, the participants have the opportunity to display their projects or national initiatives and to share and learn from others' experiences. The same area of the exhibition will be used for the project fair, please see above for details above how to request a display panel. Tables may be provide if needed.

### Cultural evening

The cultural evening will take place on Wednesday 9 July 2008. The aim of the Cultural Evening, is to share traditions and customs from Scouts from around the world. It will be a lively event, filled with music and lots of fun.

Understand. The Cultural Evening, seeks to create an atmosphere of unity among participants. In this space, traditional songs, dances and costumes will be shared, and participants will have an opportunity to learn from various cultures.

Participants will register their performance and hand in the related material upon arrival. Once the information is collected, an evening program will be printed out and given to the participants before the cultural evening. The evening will start with a welcoming message and will continue with the participants' performances.

Learn. It is important that you dedicate some time before the event to research about your country and its traditions. Try to practice a particular dance, or song, and be ready to animate the crowd!!

Prepare. In order to prepare for the cultural evening, we recommend the following:

1. Prepare to present either a traditional or a Scout song/dance from your country.
2. Provide two CD's to give during the forum to the Planning Committee:
  - a. With the song and the lyrics (in .doc), of the song you will perform. Label it "Performance from (Your Country)"
  - b. With Scout songs (preferably .mp3); a separate document with a brief description for each song of when do you usually sing it, and the name of the person(s) who helped make the compilation and their e-mails; several pictures from your country; Fleur de lis of your NSO. Label it "Songs From (Your Country)".
3. Bring a traditional costume or adornment from your country.

If you would like to bring traditional food from your country, please visit the following web address to know the prohibited & restricted goods in Korea. <http://english.customs.go.kr>

Please keep in mind that there is a NON alcohol policy for all the World Scout Youth Events, therefore alcohol is NOT permitted during the World Scout Youth Forum.

If you wish to show your traditional song/dance/customs on stage, complete Form#4 and return it to a member of the World Scout Youth Forum Planning Committee before Tuesday 8 July at 18:30hrs.

All forms mentioned above are available at the Youth Forum documents area.

#### **LOCATION**

The Forum will be held on the premises of the Wonkwang University in Iksan.

Occupying over 160 hectares of beautifully landscaped grounds, Wonkwang University has 15 colleges as well as graduate schools, and a total of 25,000 students are enrolled at Wonkwang. There is a university library equipped with 5,000 seats, a million books and a university museum, which carries the largest collection of Korean folk art in the nation. The Science Building houses 16 educational facilities including the Science Centre, which was established to promote scientific technology education, and to support research and experiments.

The 10th World Scout Youth Forum will be held in the comfortable and modern facilities of Soongsan Memorial Building within the University. Other useful facilities such as an observatory deck, seminar rooms, dining halls and exhibitions will help provide a dynamic atmosphere to the Forum participants.

#### **GETTING TO IKSAN**

The Host Committee will welcome Youth Forum participants upon arrival at the Incheon International Airport (IATA code "ICN") and provide transport to Iksan, as well as transport from Iksan to either the airport at the end of the Forum, or to the World Scout Conference hotels at the end of the inter-event programme for those who will participate in the Conference.

Incheon International Airport is the point of entry for many international flights and is located 3 hours by bus from Iksan. There will be a bus service from the airport to Iksan. Details about the bus service will be provided later.

#### **VISA**

Citizens of many countries require a visa to enter Korea. Detailed information is provided in the Registration Kit or can be downloaded [here](#).

#### **USEFUL INFORMATION**

Numerous websites provide interesting information for travellers about the Republic of Korea. We recommend visiting the following website: <http://www.etourkorea.com>

#### **Currency**

The official currency of the Republic of Korea is the Korean Won. We recommend visiting <http://www.onda.com> for calculating conversion rates between currencies. Credit cards are widely accepted throughout the Republic of Korea. There are cash machines available throughout Korea.

#### **Voltage**

In Korea, 220 volt outlets are most common.

#### **Mobile Phone**

Mobile phones are unlikely to work in Korea since the networks in Korea are CDMA not GSM as in other parts of the world. Devices operating on 3G technology at 2100 MHz (UMTS/WCDMA/HSPA phones) roam Korea.

It is possible to buy or rent a phone to use there. Online-Reservation is possible from: [www.Tour2Korea.com](http://www.Tour2Korea.com)

#### **Internet**

There is an Internet cafe at Wonkwang University.

#### **Weather**

In July, it will be summer in Korea. Iksan is in the subtropics and the weather is likely to be warm. The usual air temperature at that time of year is between 26° C and 33° C.

#### **What to Bring?**

- A Scout uniform should be worn as often as possible, as this is a Scout event, and it helps to promote Scouting in Korea.
- During the inter-event, participants will be travelling towards Jeju island. Therefore participants should bring sun-protection cream, sun glasses, a hat, and perhaps a light long-sleeved shirt for protection from the sun. Comfortable shoes should be worn for walking.