To: Chief Commissioners
International Commissioners
Chief Scout Executives

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26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference 2018

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from the Asia Pacific Regional Office!

Further to our Circular No. 15/14 on the 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference, we are pleased to inform you that the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee has confirmed the breakout group topics during the conference.

The objective of the breakout group is to gather participants in groups to discuss extensively topics that are of interest to the region. Each participant is requested to join any one of the seven pre-selected topics, which are considered focal issues in the Asia-Pacific Region. Below are the seven pre-selected topics:

1. APR Plan 2018-2021 and WOSM Triennial Plan 2017-2020
2. Diversity and Inclusion and Dialogue for Peace
3. World Adults in Scouting (AIS) Policy and eLearning
4. Educational Methods in Global Support Assessment Tool (GSAT)
5. Scouting and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
6. Messengers of Peace
7. Growth

A brief description of each topic is attached to this circular. All your delegates and observers are welcome to participate in any one of the above sessions. May we ask you to distribute your delegates and observers into these seven pre-selected topics based on their interest and/or the responsibility in your NSO and to prepare for the topic of their choice.

We would also like to request your Chief Delegate to fill-up the attached reply slip and send it back to us by 15 September 2018.

Thank you and best regards,

Yours in Scouting,

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Regional Director
APR Plan 2018-2021 and WOSM Triennial Plan 2017-2020
This breakout group will review the draft APR Plan 2018-2021 prepared by the different regional sub-committees in alignment to the WOSM Triennial Plan 2017-2020. Participants of this breakout group will take part in enriching the goals envisaged in the next triennial plan. Outcomes of the breakout group discussion will be presented to the conference plenary for adoption.

Diversity and Inclusion and Dialogue for Peace
This breakout group will explain what we mean by “Diversity and Inclusion,” which should not only be reflected in the membership, but also the method and programmes used within the Movement. This breakout group will discuss how we see our work in diversity and inclusion as one of the main paths towards achieving sustainable growth. This break-out group will also present the Dialogue for Peace Programme, which integrates the culture of dialogue in Scouting, promote a culture of peace, and create positive change in their communities.

World Adults in Scouting (AIS) Policy and eLearning
This breakout group will introduce the new 2018 version of the World Adults in Scouting Policy, using "Recruitment", "Performance" and "Decision for the Future" as the three phases of the Adult Life-Cycle, integrating other relevant WOSM policies and framework, encouraging a team approach to supporting adults and building on the principles of learning organizations. This breakout group will provide a brief statement about the current policy, strategic outcomes of the implementation, and its relevance to NSOs.

As part of the Global Triennial Plan for the period of 2014-2017, this breakout group will also update participants on the progress made on e-Learning, which is identified as a way of providing a more convenient delivery of training for adult leaders in Scouting. This breakout group is also a sharing session on the investment, benefits and challenges of eLearning; and look at possible ways on how eLearning can be a tool for the delivery of training to adult leaders.

Educational Methods in Global Support Assessment Tool (GSAT)
This breakout group will discuss the “Global Support System,” where GSAT will be highlighted as the primary tool to support the development and capacity building in national Scout organizations, with emphasis on dimensions under Educational Methods.

Scouting and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
Scouting is the leading youth development Movement in the world operating in over 200 countries and territories for some 40 million young people. For over 100 years it has delivered its message through an exciting youth programme that meets the needs of young people. As it is preparing young people to take an active part in their community, it is important they are aware of the SDGs that are integral in Scouting. This breakout group will explain the relevance of the SGDs and identify specific goals to be achieved through Scouting.

Messengers of Peace (MoP)
From the launching of the MoP initiative in 2011, NSOs in the region has taken lead in implementing and attracting large number of young people to be Messengers of Peace and as active global citizens, contributing to make a difference in their local and international communities.

This breakout group will present the MoP platform and encourage NSOs to make the best use of the platform. This breakout group will also discuss and recommend how NSOs can further incorporate the MoP program as an integral part of their youth programme supporting young people to became active global citizens, contributing and creating an impact in the local communities.

Growth
This breakout group will further share the NSO’s membership target set for the year 2023 and discuss on possible strategies to achieve the NSO’s respective target.