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8th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Youth Forum

Candidates for the Young Adult Members Group: 2015 - 2018

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from the Asia-Pacific Regional Office!

Following Regional Circular no. 12/2015 calling for nominations for the Young Adult Members Group (YAMG) for the term 2015-2018, we are pleased to announce that we have received nine (9) nominations.

Names of candidates are listed alphabetically by NSOs, as follows:

1. Khan Mohammad Arif - Bangladesh Scouts
2. Tan Sonimeth - Cambodia Scouts
3. Wang, Ling-Yu - The General Association of the Scouts of China
4. Cheng, Mori Chi-Kin - Scout Association of Hong Kong
5. Jeffrey Archer Lyngdoh - Bharat Scouts and Guides (India)
6. Jeong Eui-Jae - Korea Scout Association
7. Nur Sharifah Nurul Atik Binti Baharuddin - Persekutuan Pengakap Malaysia
8. Bilegjargal Saikhanbayar - Scout Association of Mongolia

Based on the YAMG concept paper, the number of young people to be elected is determined by the number of Sub-Committees created by the APR Scout Committee.

For the next triennium, the APR Scout Committee has created five [5] sub-committees and therefore, the 8th APR Scout Youth Forum will be electing six [6] people to the Young Adult Members Group. The Chairman of the Young Adult Members Group will be elected from among the six elected members and s/he will be a voting member of the Regional Scout Committee (APR Constitution, Article VIII.5)
Attached are the personal and Scouting profiles of the candidates. The profile is based on the content of the nomination forms submitted by National Scout Organizations.

Please pass a copy of this document to your participants to the 8th APR Scout Youth Forum.

Thank you and best regards.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

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Regional Director

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KHAN MOHAMMAD ARIF
Bangladesh Scouts

Scouting Background:

- Rover Scout
- President Scout Awardee 2009
- Members of Association of Top Achiever Scouts (ATAS)
- Attended the 24th APR Scout Conference as staff

22 years old

Student of Stamford University of Bangladesh taking Computer Science Engineering

Why should I be elected by the 8th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

The Youth Programme in Scouting offers a progressive process of self-education and personal development for children and young people and community development. Young Adult Member Group creates an opportunity for this development. I want to avail this opportunity.
CANDIDATE FOR YAMG 2015 - 2018

TAN SONIMETH
Cambodia Scouts

Scouting Background:

- Rover Scout
- Scouts since age 12
- Star Class Scout since 2013 (2nd highest Scout Award)
- Attended major Scouting activities at national and international levels:
  - MOP Program
  - Thailand Rover Moot 2014
  - Thai 19th Sounkurlarp Jamboree 2012
- Participated in major Scouting activities in different capacity:
  - Staff during the APR Workshop on Adult Support 2014
  - MOP cooperation Project with the Korea Scout Association 2015
  - Project Sunshine by the Singapore Scout Association

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I apply my candidature to The Young Adult Member Group (YAMG) because I want to share my experiences to young adult member group:
- to bring young people for greater opportunities to interact with other friends in Scouting;
- to learn more about cultural diversity
- to develop his/her social skills, Scouting values and friendship through World Youth Program Policy as well as through the process of empowering young people the opportunity for leadership development; and
- to help, give and share with the community as Messenger of Peace Ambassador.

This is the idea of renewing hopes and aspirations for young people to work together to create a better world regardless of his/her cultural background, religions, nationalities and countries.

I joined the Project Sunshine with an objective to foster goodwill cultural exchange and community service. It focuses on the basic needs of children to help young people acquire new experiences and skills that will provide better understanding of the differences among people; I think this project is interesting that is why I supported it.

I am confident that the 8th APR Scout Youth Forum will elect me as a Young Adult Member Group because I am capable in doing the task because of my experience. I promise that I will do my best to do my duty to God, to Others and to Myself Development and to commit all the policies in Scouting of APR/WOSM for the interest of young people.
WANG, LING-YU (Belinda)
The General Association of the Scouts of China

Scouting Background:

- Rover Scout
- 2015 Outstanding Rover Scout of Taiwan
- Rover representative of 2015 CJK-B in Bangladesh, 2015
- Attended major Scouting activities at different levels, both national and international including the following:
  - National Scout conference in Taiwan, 2015
  - 12th World Scout Youth Forum in Slovenia, 2014
  - Messenger of Peace of All Blue Preservation Project in Taiwan, 2014
  - 14th World Scout Moot in Canada, 2013
  - 28th Asia Pacific Region Jamboree in Taiwan, 2011

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One pen, many thoughts. I want to be the voice of young people. I want to develop Scouting and let adults be our support. In my Scouting life, I have met lots of friends from many countries and joined many different kinds of events. The important things that I learned are to not give up easily, and to get involved in every activity. Scouting has become the most important thing in my life, and I cannot imagine a life without it. These are my motivations for being YAMG in the Asia Pacific Region.

I always like to share my opinion to everyone, and I realize that “If you say, you will have a chance to succeed, but if you do not say, you will never have a chance to persuade other people.” I admire all the youth who are full of courage and willingness to lead others. Thus, I decided to work hard on Scouting, and cherish the opportunity to be the candidate.

As a youth, I would like to contribute more for my community and also for the Asia Pacific Region in order to create a better world. We have many Scouts in APR, and we should work hard together to build more connections with each country. We can even set up new projects (e.g. environmental, educational, life-skill) to help each other. I am enthusiastic to work on Scouting in APR and also in the world.

In my opinion, we should make our Scouting profile stronger so as to let more people understand what Scouting is and why we are working so hard in the Scouting community. We will attract them to join us improve our community, our countries, and also our world. We can also have more events, no matter locally or internationally, to gather more people and receive more ideas. And last but not least, we should let adults support us, make our ideas more complete and be more implemented into the community.

If I have a chance to be elected, I will keep working hard to achieve our goal and to contribute to the Scout movement.
CANDIDATE FOR YAMG 2015 - 2018

CHENG, MORI CHI-KIN
Scout Association of Hong Kong

Scouting Background:

- Rover Scout
- Chairman, Venture Scout Council 2014-2015
- Recipient of Dragon Scout Award 2015
- Member of the Cub Scout Board, Venture Scout Board and Programme Committee 2014-2015
- Attended major Scouting activities at different levels, both national and international including the following:
  - Hong Kong Scout Youth Forum 2013
  - World Scout Jamboree 2011
- Participant in major Scouting activities in different capacity such as:
  - Organizing Committee of Venture Scout
    Summer Camp - “Scouts University” 2014
  - Host Committee Member of 1st World Scout Education Congress 2013

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I consider myself as a competent YAMG candidate for the following reasons. I would like to take this chance to share my experience with fellow brother and sister Scouts at regional level. The above summarizes the major accomplishments I have obtained during my term of office and I know it would be a precious opportunity to share these experiences with my fellows. Besides sharing my experience, it is also a very great occasion to exchange ideas with my brother and sister Scouts. I strongly believe that communication is the key to success and every NSO has its strengths that we should learn from. Being a member of YAMG can further foster communication between different NSOs and it is mutually beneficial to all of us here in the APR Youth Forum.

If I have a chance to become one of the YAMG members, I hope I can serve as a bridge between different NSOs and try to pool our youth ideas together to further solidify the previous success of youth empowerment. Being a YAMG member is an additional responsibility which I take seriously and I hope throughout my term of office, we could formulate better youth policies and benefit our fellow Scouts in different NSOs or even to a global level. I hope after three years of unremitting efforts with other YAMG members, we could further promote youth empowerment and lead our youth members to be active citizens at their communities.

As Lord Baden-Powell reminded us to “Be Prepared!” all the time, with all the previous experience, I believe that I am well prepared to accept this new challenge, to be one of the YAMG member, to contribute my ideas and experience, to foster youth communication and to work with all the brothers and sisters for our youth members. Together we dream, we make it real.
JEFFREY ARCHER LYNGDOH
Bharat Scouts and Guides (India)

Scouting Background:

- Rover Scout
- Joined the Scouting Movement in 2005
- Youth Representative of the State
- Participated in major Scouting activities of the state as well as national level in different capacity as a participant as well as a member of any service group.
- Attended major Scouting activities at different levels, both national and international including the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum

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As we all know that Scouting is for young people and guided by the adults. I fell that this is the right platform for me to create a major impact and play a key role in Scouting.

My expectation, my beliefs, my thoughts, my responsibilities and my actions will be a boon to Scouting Movement and our society. I believe that I can be the movers and shakers towards attaining a successful society.

I am a person who believe that young people should aspire to be leaders not followers, I am a leader who create leader out of me. This will enhance and shape the life of young people towards creating a better world.

I believe I will bring new change in and around us with new skills and new ideas which will bring excitement and the will to do it in every positive way to bring change and unity.

I have a strong vision for Scouting of creating more new opportunities for the youth and motivate them the desire to carry on the mission even after I am gone.

My action will inspire others to do more, learn more and become more than I am and be the “Growth for Unity”

I am a leader with even the simplest thing add more valuable and important and thus greater will be the motivation.
JEONG EUI-JAE (EJ)
Korea Scout Association

Scouting Background:

- Rover Scout
- Assistant Troop Leader and Woodbadge holder
- Joined the Scouting Movement in 2005
- Tiger Scout Awardee in 2011 (Highest Scout Award)
- APR Outstanding Scout Runner-Up 2012
- Attended major Scouting activities at different levels, both national and international including the following:
  - 7th APR Scout Youth Forum 2012
  - 27th Asia-Pacific Regional Jamboree
  - Korea-Japan Friendship Programme 2011-2012
  - 11th Korea-Japan Youth Forum 2012

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Scouting made me a hard working person, who is always making an effort when the problem happens. Because of Scouting, I could learn how to work with initiative at any situations. With this strong point, I will endeavor to solve problem when it happens.

By participating in national and international events, I made an effort on becoming a better person who can be a good friend to anyone easily and whose personality is good. They helped me not only in a Scouting, but also in becoming a global citizen. I want to be a member of YAMG to support young people who are participating in Scouting and to improve youth activities and to be their representative voice to adults to keep their attention on youth improvement.

For 10 years, I have participated in many jamborees as participant and young leader. I have been taught many things and gained a lot of experiences. And those experiences helped me to be a more hard working person and to be a better person who respect others. Thus those experiences will help me to contribute to the work as YAMG.

I want to make better conditions for APR Youth Scouts. For that, I will constantly make an effort to support Scouts and youth activities and to be their voice to adults to raise awareness on youth involvement.

I know that other people can be better than me as a well trained Scout, but there's one thing for sure. If I’m able to become a member of YAMG, it will unquestionably help me to become a better person, and also, I can make a better contribution to my country and Scouts in Asia Pacific Region. I will not only promise impossible things, but also work for achieving it so that I can share and give back my experience to my country and Scouts in Asia Pacific Region. For these reason, I need to be chosen as one of the Young Adult Member Group.
NUR SHARIFAH NURUL ATIK BINTI BAHARUDDIN
Persekutuan Pengakap Malaysia

Scouting Background:

• Rover Scout
• State Secretary of Pahang (2013 – 2015)
• Appointed as Secretary of DEED Pahang (2015)
• Attended major Scouting activities at different levels, both national and international including the following:
  – Community Development Camp (COMDECA) 2014
  – Terengganu International Jamboree 2014
  – Messenger of Peace activity

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Because I have an opportunity to be a part of Young Adult Member Group in learning, to acknowledge and bring up the issues encounter in our community. The endorsement know that I am capable and responsible candidate to be elected. The 8th APR Scout Youth Forum should elect me as Young Adult Member Group because I am aware of what happened to our youth that are taking lightly in making decision to create a better future for community and also the world itself. I am concern about the future youth to be that are confuse, questioning, worries about what they can do to create a better world and sustainable development. With due respect, it is an honour to be part of the 8th APR Scout Youth Forum.
BILEGJARGAL SAIKHANBAYAR
Scout Association of Mongolia

Scouting Background:

• Rover Scout
• Joined the Scouting Movement since 7 years old
• Golden Arrow Awardee (2nd highest rank)
• Attended major Scouting activities at different levels, both national and international including the following:
  – APR Risk Management Workshop 2015
  – Hong Kong Centenary Jamboree 2011
  – Mongolia National Jamboree

18 years old
Student of National University of Mongolia taking Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics

Why should I be elected by the 8th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

Scouting has had an immense impact on my life. It has taught me how to be a strong leader and an advocate for people in my community. It has given me valuable skills in designing and managing large projects and events. It has also instilled in me the importance of working collaboratively as a team. Without the support of my family and community members, creating positive change would be impossible. Being a Young Adult Member will give me an invaluable opportunity to express the opinions of my peers at an international level, and I can utilize my strong English language skills to share my experiences with Scouts from other countries. Staying true to our motto, my previous experience and my passion for Scouting has prepared me to be an excellent Young Adult Member of the Asia Pacific Region. Thank you for considering me for this position!
Scouting Background:

- Senior Crew Leader
- Ten Outstanding Boy Scouts of the Philippines 2014
- Bronze Anahaw Awardee of 2012
- Eagle Scout Awardee of 2011 (Highest Scout Award)
- Members of Association of Top Achiever Scouts (ATAS)
- Attended major Scouting activities at different levels, both national and international including 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Jamboree 2010.

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My candidacy to the Young Adult Members Group signifies my passion for youth development through the Scouting Program. I have personally experienced the positive change brought by Scouting to my life through the opportunities presented to me. Because of this, I do want my fellow Scouts and the following generations to have an equally good, if not better, formation that I had by representing them in the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee.

As a testament, the Scouting formation had led me in finding the true meaning of leadership: genuine love and service. The love and service which I offer are not only directed to the beneficiaries of the community service projects, but also to the team who I am working with. Through leading by caring, I try to give each member a chance to develop and to have fun, more than anything else.

Because of my exposure to the universality of the Scouting Movement, I was invited to be a Fellow of the Hansen Summer Institute on Leadership and International Cooperation at University of San Diego, California where I was the lone representative of the Philippines. It enabled me to engage into a first-hand exposure of the diverse cultures all over the world, the conflicts that other young leaders are facing, and various classes about conflict resolution, mediation, negotiation, and social entrepreneurship.

The Young Adult Members Group is a crucial arm of the APR Scout Committee, because it stands for the millions of youth who may not have a voice in their own troops. It opens opportunities for the youth members who are most in need. My previous multicultural experiences can guide me to consider the realities being faced by the youth of different countries, and devise how the Scouting program can be implemented to help them. This wide perspective of the world around me, and beyond my reality, keeps me passionate in international youth development. However, it must be noted that I could only be successful in representing them by immersing myself in their reality. Furthermore, this could only be done through the help of my fellow scouts throughout the region.

As a member of the Young Adult Members Group and the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee, I envision a Scouting Movement where no one else is left behind. From the son of a father who lives in the poverty line to the daughter of a mother from an ethnic group in the mountains, I am accepting the challenge to be their voice so that their children may take part right now in this century-old tradition of youth empowerment called Scouting.