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APR Workshop on Environmental Education in Scouting

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from the Asia Pacific Support Centre!

The Asia-Pacific Region of the World Organization of the Scout Movement in collaboration with Bhutan Scout Association is organizing the **APR Workshop on Environmental Education in Scouting** from 21 ~ 25 August 2018.

The workshop will be held in the Kingdom of Bhutan, known for its ancient monasteries, multi-coloured prayer flags and spectacular scenery. Bhutan believes that one of the index to achieve Gross National Happiness is conservation of the environment.

This workshop will address three levels: promotion of the World Scout Environment Programme (WSEP) to the NSOs in APR, the development and review of the environmental education in the NSO, and the unit level where Scouts can implement the programme at their local communities. This year WSEP is celebrating its 10th year anniversary.

**Aim of the Workshop**

This workshop is aimed to gather key Scout leaders from National Scout Organisation in the Asia-Pacific Region to look at how the World Scout Environment Programme is effectively implemented at national and local level, within the Better World Framework and targeting the contribution of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

**Objectives**

At the end of the workshop, the participants will be able to:

- Build capacity of NSOs for the environmental education program through implementing WSEP in their countries, with an opportunity to contribute to the review of the WSEP in its 10th year anniversary
- Share variety of experiences and understanding among participating NSOs of the environment education activities undertaken by NSOs,
- Exploring the relations with other programmes (e.g.: Scouts of the World Award, Messengers of Peace, Scouts Go Solar, YUNGA challenge badges, Patrimonito Scout Badge)
- Define the BetterWorld Framework concept and its link with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
Date:

21 – 25 August 2018. Participants is expected to arrive 20 August and may leave in the evening of 25 August 2018. Participants who wanted to stay before or after the workshop will be charged at their own cost and must notify BSA in advanced about their planned itinerary.

Venue:

Kingdom of Bhutan (exact venue and accommodation will be announced later). Participants should plan to arrive Paro International Airport (PBH).

Fee:

USD150.00 which will cover local transportation, food (from dinner of 20 August until lunch of 25 August 2018), accommodation for five nights (check-in 20 August and check-out 25 August 2018), workshop documents, workshop souvenirs and half-day educational tour.

Eligibility:

National WSEP Coordinators and key leaders at national level from NSOs in the Asia-Pacific Region, SCENES and WSEP Network Members and Environment Partners are eligible for the workshop. Full time executives responsible for Community Development in Scouting and environmental programmes are also welcomed.

Working Language:

The working language of the workshop is English. National Scout Organizations are requested to select participants who are able to understand and take an active part in discussions in English.

Please fill up the reply slip and send it to the World Scout Bureau, Asia-Pacific Support Centre, with a copy to Bhutan Scouts Association through the workshop coordinator mentioned in reply slip, not later than 15th June 2018.

With best regards,

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Attachment:
- Reply Slip