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Candidates for the Young Adult Members Group: 2012 - 2015

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from Manila!

Following Regional Circular no. 12/2012 calling for nominations for the Young Adult Members Group (YAMG) for the term 2012-2015, we are pleased to announce that we have received ten (10) nominations.

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

1. Mr. Pangkaj Sutradhar - Bangladesh Scouts
2. Ms. Tsai Chien-Ling - The General Association of Scouts of China
3. Ms. Tam Man-ying - Scout Association of Hong Kong
4. Mr. Yudha Adyaksa - Gerakan Pramuka
5. Mr. Jeffrey Arsher Lyngdoh - The Bharat Scouts and Guides
6. Mr. Yu Kohase - Scout Association of Japan
7. Mr. Nizarul Idhafi Omar - Persekutuan Pengakap Malaysia
8. Mr. Firuzul Abdulla Khaleel - Scout Association of Maldives
9. Mr. Eugene Lester Lin - Boy Scouts of the Philippines
10. Ms. Sornsawan Ho - National Scout Organization of Thailand

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 established five sub-committees and therefore, the 7th 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 he/she will be an ex-officio member of the Regional Scout Committee.

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 7th APR Scout Youth Forum.

With best regards,

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Regional Director

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Pangkaj Sutradhar
Bangladesh Scouts

Personal Information:
Aged 21. Student of University of Dhaka taking Bachelor of Education (Hons)

Scouting Background:
Rover Scout. Participated in major Scouting activities at different levels including seven national activities in 2012; Ten activities in 2011 including participating in the 7th APR Air/Internet Jamboree, South Asian Social Forum and the 7th Rover Moot.

Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

If we look at the world situation today, we will find poverty, lack of quality education, malnutrition, water crisis, excessive exertion of carbon in the air that altogether has made the survival very difficult for the human beings as well as other creatures. Our selfish act often brings disaster for the population. Nature takes revenge but yet we don't understand that our behavior should be changed towards an eco friendly environment.

Youth is green. All the revolution we see in the world history, youth are always ahead to bring the change. So as a youth I believe that it is the time to reap the seed that will serve the whole world someday. Keeping in mind always the welfare of the whole world, I engage myself with all the activities which involve me with versatile experiences that make me confident to work for the people.

-Focused
-Hardworking
-Never give up

These three qualities/attitudes can transform an ordinary man into a great leader. Having experiences from working with many organizations has blessed me with those qualities. Along with this, I am a trustworthy, amiable and sensible personality. It’s all about leadership; to lead the world in the right way will ensure peace which is expected the most. As a leader I like to take challenges and perform my duties honestly.

Now-a-days, the world needs a true leader. To reach that position, I am always awaken, learning and preparing myself for the future. In this regard, I follow the path of act of our respected Lord Baden Powel.
Tsai Chien-Ling
The General Association of Scouts of China

Personal Information:
Aged 21. Student of Changhua University of Education taking Bachelor of Arts in English.

Scouting Background:
Rover Scout. Attended the 28th APR Scout Jamboree as International Service Team; Attended the CJK cooperative project, 2011; Attended the 2012 International Camp Staff Program of the Boy Scouts of America.

Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

I wish to cooperate with people from different countries. I also hope I can have the chance to stand and voice out the public statements for my country.

In addition, I have many great images, passions, curiosities and dreams about this world. I know that a lot of people are eager to have the qualification of YAMG.

As the predecessor of YAMG, sharing the experience with me, I definitely believe this is something I need to experience in my life time. I can learn how the team works and negotiate with others. I know that if I am lucky enough to be elected, I will be responsible for running business for young people in Asia-Pacific Region.

I believe that it will offer me opportunities to meet various types of people, make some good friends, experience different things, and even know myself more. I always like having opportunities to do new things, so I will try my best to be successful at this if you should choose me.

Likewise, I know I will encounter challenges in YAMG, but I like to challenge myself and the more difficult, the better. Every time I solve problems, I would like to find out what I am capable of and what abilities I don’t have so that I will learn from my errors and become a terrific YAMG member.
Tam Man-ying  
Scout Association of Hong Kong

Personal Information:  
Aged 21. Student of Hong Kong Shue Yan University taking Bachelor of Business Administration.

Scouting Background:  
Rover Scout. Member of the Rover Scout Council; Treasurer, Rover Scout Crew Management Committee, 1585th East Kowloon Group;  
Youth Delegate, 19th General Meeting of Pacific Economic Coeperation Council; Hong Kong representative to the 200 Leadership Project, The Boao Youth Forum, 2009. Marketing Officer, Hong Kong Federation of Business Students, 2011-2012; Member, Hong Kong 200 Leadership Project; Project Director, Teenager Summer Wild Camp 2011; President, Fund Raising Program for East Timor, 2009.

Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)  
I was attracted by the Scout activities and trainings since I was a primary school student, and have eventually joined Scouting a few years ago. Since then, I actively participated in different activities and voluntary services and bring fresh ideas to Scouting. Scouting does change my personality and even my life, thus I am determined to make more impact to others and to the society.  
Apart from receiving trainings, I can give more contributions and suggestions to the Scout Movement and the society. I believe I could achieve my determination of creating a better world through becoming a member of Young Adult Members Group. Moreover, it is our duty to keep the world in a good manner, and it can be done through many ways. Protecting the environment is definitely one of the most essential ways to heal the world. Thus, the World Scout Environment Programme should particularly be promoted in order to educate the youth to conserve the earth. If I am elected, I would try my best to promote this project and to assist all NSOs in the implementation of this project.

I believe I have sufficient experience as to represent all the young Scouts in the Asia-Pacific Region. I have been actively participating in Scouting and the society. For example, I have been serving my Scout group as an Assistant Cub Scout Leader as well as helping different training courses so as to educate the young people. I am now a member of Rover Scout Council, which enables me to represent the young people as to express our views. Also, I have assisted in the Centenary Gang Show, the Hong Kong Centenary Gala Dinner and Standard Chartered Marathon 2012 as a volunteer. On the other hand, I have built up my leadership skills by being one of the executive committee members of Hong Kong Federation of Business Students in university and club chairperson in secondary school. In addition, to show my involvement in global issues, I have been representing Hong Kong as a youth delegate of the 19th General Meeting of Pacific Economic Cooperation Council, which was held in Tokyo, Japan.

I hope I could be elected so that I could have an opportunity to share my experience and contribute to the Scout movement, to make a difference and to create a better world.
Yudha Adyaksa
Gerakan Pramuka

Personal Information:
Aged 20. Studying at University of Prof. Dr. Moestopo (Beragama) taking Bachelor of Arts in Communication

Scouting Background:
Rover Scout. Member, National Rover Scout Council 2008-2013; Eagle Scout, 2010; National JOTI administrator, 2009-2012; Coordinator of Knowledge-Learning Activity in National Scouts of Moslem School Camp, 2011; Committee Leader of Indonesia Rovers Council Member Course, 2010; Coordinator of Administration in National Leadership Training, 2011; Committee Leader of National Rovers Moot, 2012.


Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

I’m growing up with the value of Scouts that enrich my life. The activities I walked through develop my life and shape my way of seeing and responding to something. I’m a proud and fortunate Scout; I learned more than other Scouts in my country. I’m not saying that I’m more expert or something, but at least I learned something before others. This makes me richer in knowledge and experience, so that I can be a candidate of Young Adult Member Group.

I have a big desire on the development of Scouts in my country as well as in Asia Pacific Region. A new paradigm of Scouting activity, new skills requirements for the 21st century, and the integrity of Scouts in Asia Pacific region should be maintained well. The Young Adult Member Group should be able to act as a catalyst of Scouts in this rapid changing world. A big vision, progressive and innovative thinking, effective communication, and high level of leadership skill should be equipped to the members.

In regards to those skills and my journey as a Scout, I’m confident to be chosen as a member of Young Adult Member Group. The experience that I have will support a significant contribution to the group. I’m also a good learner who always put reflection as an important thing to do after all. Thus, the learning happens in every single thing that I do. I will not only plan and do programs, but also learn, and share/give back to my country and Scouts in Asia Pacific Region. For these causes, I need to be chosen as one of the Young Adult Member Group.
Jeffrey Arsher Lyngdoh
The Bharat Scouts and Guides

Personal Information:
Aged 19. Student of St. Anthony’s College – North Eastern Hill University taking Bachelor of Science in Fisheries Science.

Scouting Background:
Rover Scout. Joined the Scouting Movement in 2005. 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.

Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

Firstly, I belief that the state association has already studied my profile and has been in knowdlege of what I had done and will be doing that they invited me to apply and which was later screened and nominated by the search and select committee.

Secondly, on a personal ground I feel that through the years that I had been a Scout and a Rover I have accumulated varied information, skills and competencies, alongside my present course of studies and the knowledge I received from it, I will be able to bring in new ideas for application in our Youth Programme and taking the movement to newer areas and greater heights.

Thirdly, this opportunity will be a great boon to me in planning and enhancing my future prospect. It will also give my state and my region a chance to understand the importance of Scouting in shaping the character of the young people, where most of us are being threatened by violent conflicts and anti-social elements that thwart away our chance for development.

I feel the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum should elect me because of my ability to work together with various kinds of people, as together we can build a better world. I can be their mouth-piece in speaking out with regards to youth affairs. After considering my profile they will have learnt that they will be electing an energetic young person with a great sense of adventure at heart, whose great feelings for the development of young people through the various methods of Scouting.

I humbly seek the solidarity of my fellow Scouts to elect me to the YAMG.
Yu Kohase  
Scout Association of Japan

Personal Information:  
Aged 22. Student of Meiji University.

Scouting Background:  

Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

I'm really honored to attend the 7th APR Youth Forum and be a candidate for Young Adult Member Group (YAMG). When I am elected as YAMG, I will have three purposes to take action, as below.

First of all, I will give a tribute to the World as Asian. These days, the world is getting smaller because of Internet and fast & low-priced transportation and these make Scouts all over the world feel familiar with each other. In such a world, we need to have an identity as Asian. So, I would like to act and help the world better, as Asian.

Secondly, I would like to work hard for world peace. No matter what a hard experience such as severe earthquake, tsunami and nuclear power plant accident, we Japanese have never lost heart and have overcome hardships. As one of Japanese who experienced such difficulties, I would serve for world peace by making the bond of people strong. I believe Scouting will be of great help to realize my dream, and my patience and co-operative spirit fostered by the experience of volunteer at the disaster devastated area will also be of use for this hard work.

Thirdly, as a member of SAJ, I would like to work for the success of APR and world events. As you know, SAJ will host major regional and world events such as next APR Jamboree in 2013 and World Scout Jamboree in 2015. It is a great honor to host these major events, and I'm really happy to be a part of SAJ member. To acquire more and more participants not only from Asia but all over the world, I will do my best as hard as I can.

This is my aspiration to become a candidate for Young Adult Member Group.
Nizarul Idhafi Omar
Persekutuan Pengakap Malaysia

Personal Information:
Aged 21. Student in Universiti Teknologi Petronas taking Bachelor (Hons.) in Science of Petroleum Geoscience

Scouting Background:

Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

We are going to create a better world through Scouting, starting with the generation of ideas in the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum and I am raising my hand for being the one who join the dream. My 10 wonderful years of Scouting direct me no other than that aspiration and today, I am here to carry the aspiration high.

What is the meaning of having such diverse knowledges and experiences if it is not to be given back to the organisation. I agree that there are challenges and obstacles of different magnitudes ahead for us to go through and I am afraid if we do not have the best means of handling them as they are growing bigger over the years. Thus, we need better driven force to encounter them and I volunteer myself to be part of it.

Imagine, such a big organisation of millions of members around the world, the organisation aged currently over 100 years, what more can it offer rather than the best methodology and solution for the current affairs that we have. Since youth are the generation of which will continue to enhance Scouting, it should be the best for me to be in the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum to voice out our opinion and share the ideas of solving the critical issue in hope to shape the movement better by adapting the current atmosphere without leaving our oath and principles behind.

As far as we go, we are holding the aspirations and the hopes of people around the world especially those from this Asia-Pacific Region and we need more than just a gut to hold their aspirations high. We need experiences and vast knowledge to maintain that capacity and I do believe that I am offering the best of mine to share with the community of Young Adult Member Group.
Firuzul Abdulla Khaleel  
Scout Association of Maldives

Personal Information:
Aged 18. Currently studying Higher Secondary Education.

Scouting Background:

Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

I believe the need for improvement is always an available option and given my confidence in working with Scouts both local and abroad, the international experiences I have taken part in and the ability to work in partnership with adults through my role as an advisory member to School Silver Jubilee steering Committee, I believe I can contribute to and revive the youth involvement in Scouting as a member to the committee.

I believe I have a strong Scouting background which will be an added advantage. I believe the youth partnership in Scouting is very important to maintain the fundamental aspects while making it a movement for 21st century. I am well aware of this concept and hence the committee can use my contributions as well.

I propose myself to the committee, knowing that I have much to learn and much to contribute. The committee needs members who are willing to identify and explore every opportunity and welcome new ideas. I have the confidence in myself to carry out the duties of a member tirelessly.
Eugene Lester Lin  
Boy Scouts of the Philippines

**Personal Information:**  
Aged 18. Student of De La Salle University taking Bachelor of Science in Electronics and Communications Engineer.

**Scouting Background:**  

**Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group:** (extracted from the nomination form)

As a young adult, I believe all of us should have a chance to be exposed in the outside world. People will always want to experience new things and apply the things they’ve learned in their lives.

I’ve been a Scout since elementary school grade 1 and Scouting played a big part of my life. I have witnessed the changes it made not only to me but also to others. I believe Scouting is the stepping stone for people to become a better person.

I’ve been to numerous national camps and jamborees, but I’ve only been exposed once to an international camp. It was the 26th APR Jamboree, where I served as a part of the international service team.

I want to let myself be exposed and learn more about the APR Scout Youth Forum, and share what I’ve learned to my fellow Scouts. Being in this forum will let me gain more experience as a part of the Scouting world.

I know that other people or Scouts may be better than me as a candidate of this forum, but one thing for sure, if I’m able to join this forum, it will definitely help me become a better person.
Sornsawan Ho  
National Scout Organization of Thailand

Personal Information:  
Aged 19. Student of Thammasat University of taking Bachelor of Law.

Scouting Background:  
Rover Scout. Attended the 13th Korea National Jamboree as International Service Team, 2012; Attended the JAMB 100 and 3rd ASEAN Jamboree in Singapore, 2010; Attended the 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Jamboree, 2010; Attended the Flamboree 2009 (Scout Jamboree for European Scouts), 2009; Attended the International Jamboree in Korea, 2008; Attended the 21st World Scout Jamboree in UK, 2007.

President of Suankularb Wittayalai Nonthaburi (SKN) School Scout Club and Scout Troop Leader of SKN Scout troop, 2009-2010.

Why should I be elected by the 7th APR Scout Youth Forum as member of the Young Adult Member Group: (extracted from the nomination form)

Scouting is a part of my life. I’ve been participating in Scout activities since the World Scout Jamboree 2007 and that changed my life, from a quiet girl to a lively Scout who accepts all the differences—nations, languages, cultures, etc.

By the support of leaders and rover Scouts, I improved my abilities not only in physical but also morality, thoughts and mind. They help me not just to be a good Scout but also a good person who has responsibility in the society as the member of the world population. I want to be a part of YAMG to support Scouts and youth activities and to be their voice to adults to raise awareness on youth involvement.

For 5 years, I have participated in many jamborees as participant and IST. I have learnt many things and gained a lot of experiences. Therefore those will help me to contribute to the work as YAMG.