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To: Chief Commissioners  
International Commissioners  
Chief Scout Executives/Secretary Generals

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**26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference**  
15-20 October 2018



Dear colleagues,

Greetings!

On behalf of the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee and the Host of the 26<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference, Boy Scouts of the Philippines, we are pleased to invite your National Scout Organization to participate with full delegation and adequate number of observers to attend the 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference in Philippines. Below is the preliminary information for this event.

**Dates :** 15-20 October 2018

Tentatively, the joint meeting of APR Scout Committee with Heads of Delegations is on 15 October morning. Opening ceremony will be in the afternoon of 15 October. Conference sessions will start in the same afternoon. Closing of the conference is on 20 October in the afternoon.

Delegation is expected to arrive in Manila on 14 October and may leave on 21 October 2018.

**Venue :** Philippine International Convention Center (PICC), Manila

**Theme :** Growth and Stability

**Participants :**

*Delegates:* Each member organization is entitled to send a maximum of six delegates. (Reference: Constitution and By-Laws of the WOSM/Asia-Pacific Region Article VII.1)

All the NSOs are encouraged to abide by the conference resolution in sending at least one young adult member under 26 years of age to the 26th APR Scout Conference as part of the official delegation (Conference resolution 2/07: Youth Program.)

It is also expected that the NSOs will give equal opportunity to Male and Female WOSM members while designating the delegates to the conference.

*Observers:* NSOs may send adequate number of Scout Leaders and youth members as Observers.

**Accompanying Persons :**

Spouses/friends are invited as accompanying persons to the Delegates or Observers for whom the Conference Host Committee will design a special programme for the conference duration. They are invited to main ceremonies and social activities organized during the conference.

**Registration :**

Conference online registration will start beginning **01 December 2017 up to 31 July 2018**. Registration forms will be available on the conference website which we will announce well in advance.

**Registration Fee :**

Delegates and Observers:	US\$320.00
Accompanying Persons:	US\$300.00
Youth Participants:	US\$125.00

Special Rates for those attending two events:

Conference & Course for Leader Trainers:	US\$500.00
Conference & Youth Forum:	US\$250.00

*(for YF participants who will also attend the Conference)*

Registration fee will cover inland transport, conference kit, all meals during the official period of the conference, conference souvenir and educational tour.

**Accommodation:**

The official Conference hotel is Hotel Jen (formerly Traders Hotel) which is walking distance from the conference venue - PICC.

Accommodation at Hotel Jen is available with king size and twin beds. The cost of the rooms is still being negotiated with the hotel by the Host Organizing Committee and will be communicated in due course.

In addition to Hotel Jen, participants will also be able to select hotel accommodation ranging between 2-5 star hotels in Manila, near to the conference venue. List of other accredited hotels are: Net World Hotel, Aloha Hotel, Century Park Hotel, Diamond Hotel, Hotel 101, Microtel-MOA, Okada (Manila), Solaire Hotel, Crown Tower Hotel, Nobu Hotel Manila and Midas Hotel.

**Ancillary Events :**

The APR Course for Leader Trainers, 9<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Youth Forum and Chief Scout Executives Meet will be organized as ancillary events to the Conference.

<u>Ancillary Event</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Venue</u>
APR Course for Leader Trainers	06-12 October 2018	BP International Hotel, Los Banos, Laguna
9th APR Scout Youth Forum	09-12 October 2018	El Cielito Hotel, Sta. Rosa, Laguna
Chief Scout Executives Meet	13 October 2018	Philippine International Convention Center

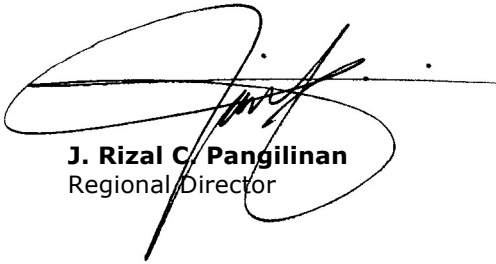
Detailed circulars of these three events will follow.

Further details and other relevant information will be relayed from time to time to all NSOs, as usual, through conference website, conference bulletins, conference updates, etc.

In order for the Host Organization to make an initial assessment of the number of Conference participants so that they could make the necessary arrangements for your reception and comfortable stay, we are attaching the Initial Reply Slip. Kindly fill it up and send it back to us **latest on 30 September 2017** so that it can be discussed in the next preparatory meeting scheduled in October 2017.

Thank you for your kind attention and response.

Sincerely yours,



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Regional Director

*Attachment: Initial Reply slip*