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38th WORLD SCOUT CONFERENCE  
38e CONFERENCE MONDIALE DU SCOUTISME  
JEJU 14-18 JULY/JUILLET

10th WORLD SCOUT YOUTH FORUM  
10e FORUM DES JEUNES DU SCOUTISME MONDIAL  
IKSAN 7-10 JULY/JUILLET

**10th World Scout Youth Forum,  
Wonkwang University, Iksan, Republic of Korea, 2008**

**INFORMATION**

The 10th World Scout Youth Forum (WSYF) will take place in Korea, from Monday 7 to Thursday 10 July 2008, just prior to the 38th World Scout Conference.

**1. ORGANISATION**

The Korea Scout Association (KSA), the National Scout Organization of Korea, will host the World Scout Youth Forum. They have set up a Host Committee and they are working enthusiastically to prepare everything for the event.

**2. PLANNING COMMITTEE**

As specified in Resolution 10/93 on Youth Forums, the agenda and procedures of the Forum are under the responsibility of the World Scout Committee. A Planning Committee has been appointed according to the Guidelines of the World Scout Youth Forum, which will, among other things, be responsible for recommending the main content of the agenda of the Forum to the World Scout Committee.

The Planning Committee is comprised of the following persons:

Youth Advisors elected during the 9th World Scout Youth Forum:

- Mr. Johan Ekman, Finland (Chairman)
- Mr. John Lawlor, Ireland
- Mr. Raymundo Tamayo, México
- Mr. Ange Aye-Ake, Côte d'Ivoire
- Mr. Mehdi Ben Khelil, Tunisia

One member from the World Scout Committee:

- Ms. Therese Bermingham, Vice-Chairman of the World Scout Committee

One representative from the Host Committee:

- Mr. Hong-Jin Jo, Korea Scout Association

One Executive from the World Scout Bureau:

- Mr. Andrés Morales, Unit Manager, Adolescents & Young Adults

**3. PROGRAMME**

In the first meeting in Geneva, September 2006, the Planning Committee agreed on a number of topics that would be relevant to discuss. Both Scouting and non-Scouting topics were considered.

**"Scouting in the new century"**, including:

- Empowering young people
- Scouting's profile
- Items from the agenda of the World Scout Conference, 2008
- The challenges for Scouting in the next 100 years

**"Creating a better world"**, including:

- Millennium Development Goals
- The Scouts of the World Award
- Service in one's own community

A detailed programme of the WSYF will be available as an official Youth Forum document at a later date.

For the different sessions, the Planning Committee will develop methodologies that provide the participants with opportunities for sharing ideas and developing skills. In general the methodology will be interactive, provocative, creative and flexible – in order to appeal to young people.

Various working methods will be used to share ideas among the participants, to develop discussion on the different topics and reach recommendations to be addressed to the World Scout Committee. Our Korean hosts will also organise activities, close to nature and in a "Scout spirit", to discover and enjoy their country and to develop closer relationships between participants and hopefully interact with Korean young people.

#### **4. LOCATION**

The Forum will be held on the premises of the Wonkwang University in Iksan. Occupying over 160 hectares of beautifully landscaped grounds, Wonkwang University has 15 colleges as well as graduate schools, and a total of 25,000 students are enrolled at Wonkwang. There is a university library equipped with 5,000 seats, a million books and a university museum, which carries the largest collection of Korean folk art in the nation. The Science Building houses 16 educational facilities including the Science Centre, which was established to promote scientific technology education, and to support research and experiments.

The 10th World Scout Youth Forum will be held in the comfortable and modern facilities of Soongsan Memorial Building within the University. Other useful facilities such as an observatory deck, seminar rooms, dining halls and exhibitions will help provide a dynamic atmosphere to the Forum participants.

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#### **5. PARTICIPANTS**

Each National Scout Organization is invited to send a delegation to the World Scout Youth Forum. In Resolution 4/96 adopted by the 1996 World Conference in Oslo, the Conference recommends that each National Scout Organization send **at least one delegate** to World Scout Youth Forums. Each delegation may however include more members. It may be composed of a maximum of **two delegates** (participants with the right to vote) and **three observers** (participants without voting rights). Only individuals who are members of WOSM can be delegates to the World Scout Youth Forum. The participants must be **between their 18th and 26th birthdays** in the year of the Forum (2008); in other words, have been born between **1st January 1982 and 31st December 1990**.

##### 5.1. Profile

World Scout Youth Forum participants should have:

- Experience in, or knowledge of, decision making at the institutional level within their National Scout Organization and/or at Regional level

- Experience in, or knowledge of, current issues under consideration at world level in the World Organization of the Scout Movement
- Experience in, or knowledge of, conference participation, techniques of recommendation development
- Experience in, or knowledge of, representation of young people

## 5.2. Delegates and Observers

There are two kinds of participants at World Scout Youth Forums: delegates and observers.

At the time of registration each delegate and observer will be required to produce an official letter of appointment clearly indicating their participation as either delegate or observer, signed by the President, International Commissioner or other responsible official of his or her National Scout Organization, unless his or her name is listed on the appointment of delegates form filed with the World Scout Bureau in advance.

Each delegation may cast two votes, irrespective of the number of delegates representing a National Scout Organization at the Forum.

## 5.3. Selection

National Scout Organizations are responsible for ensuring the selection of appropriate participants at World Scout Youth Forums, in accordance with the aforementioned profile.

Gender, social, ethnic and geographical background should be taken into consideration when the participants are selected. Organizations with both female and male members should try to ensure gender-balance in the selection process.

Participants must be selected in advance of the event. The selection process should take into consideration the participants capacity to contribute to the World Scout Youth Forum topics. Participants should be appointed or elected by their peers according to democratic principles, and they should represent the young members of their association. To achieve a truly democratic process, it is of importance to involve young members in the process.

## 5.4. Participation

Whenever possible, National Scout Organizations should, in the selection of their participants, attempt to achieve an equitable representation of their membership (geographical, ethnic and social background, etc.). Specifically, where a National Scout Organization includes both male and female young members it is recommended that there be balanced participation of both.

## 5.5. Preparation

National Scout Organizations are responsible for providing support to World Scout Youth Forum participants in their preparation for the event. Participants should be selected, or provided with training, in accordance with the criteria listed above. Adequate information about the topics to be discussed by a World Scout Youth Forum should be given to National Scout Organizations early enough to allow them to pass it on to their participants to prepare for the Forum.

The World Scout Youth Forum Planning Committee should provide support through ScOutPost.

## 5.6. Elections of World Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee

According to the WSYF Guidelines, the World Scout Youth Forum, at the end of its meeting, shall propose six World Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee. World Youth Advisors should be able to help the World Scout Committee whenever requested by the Committee.

For further information, please refer to the circular N° 41/December 2007 - Call for nominations for Youth Advisors:

[http://www.scout.org/en/content/download/9974/84514/file/C0741CallforYAs\\_e.pdf](http://www.scout.org/en/content/download/9974/84514/file/C0741CallforYAs_e.pdf)

## 6. FORUM FEE

The Forum fee for delegates and observers attending only the Forum will be between **Euros 190 and Euros 360**, depending on the category in which a country is placed according to its GNI per capita.

In contrast to the fee for the World Scout Conference, the fee for the World Scout Youth Forum includes full board and lodging, i.e. accommodation in twin bedrooms and all meals. The fee also

includes coffee breaks, Forum documentation, social activities, local transportation, and transportation from Incheon International Airport to Iksan.

**Participants who will join the inter-event programme (going from Iksan to Jeju Island and the Conference will have transport provided to get to Jeju Island and the Conference venue, but will have to buy their own ticket to fly from Jeju Island back to Seoul or another destination after the Conference.**

The fee structure is shown in the attached document.

## **7. PARTICIPATION IN THE WORLD SCOUT CONFERENCE**

National Scout Organizations are encouraged to include Forum delegates or observers in their World Scout Conference delegation. This is facilitated through:

- the World Scout Youth Forum taking place just prior to the World Conference
- an inter-event programme which will be provided to Forum participants during the three days between the two events
- a special combined "Forum + Conference" fee ranging from **Euros 425 to Euros 750** that has been set for young participants below 26 years of age taking part in both events.

Additionally, the Korea Scout Association will offer a special rate for accommodation at Corea Condominium Jeju during the Conference for the young people attending both events. The rate is KRW 10,000 per night and includes accommodation in shared room and breakfast. For further information or to book accommodation, please contact the Korea Scout Association at [international@scout.or.kr](mailto:international@scout.or.kr).

See the fee structure in the attached document

## **8. INTER-EVENT PROGRAMME**

The Host Committee is planning to organise a special touring programme from 11 to 13 July 2008 for those young adults participating in the World Scout Youth Forum and in the World Scout Conference, to enable them to stay in Korea at no extra cost.

This inter-event programme will be organised only for those young adults who will participate in both the Conference and Youth Forum and will have registered in advance for both events.

## **9. OPERATION SAEKDONG**

Scouts from as many countries as possible should take part in the 10th World Scout Youth Forum and then the 38th World Scout Conference in Korea. In order to achieve this, a solidarity fund – Operation Saekdong - has been set up to help Scouts who would not otherwise be able to attend to participate in the Youth Forum. Operation Saekdong is an initiative of the Korea Scout Association in partnership with Wonkwang University, Iksan, and the Jeju Island Government.

The World Scout Bureau Regional Offices will prepare and manage Operation Saekdong. For further information, please contact your Regional Office.

## **10. REGISTRATION**

Please refer to the Registration Kit.

## **11. GETTING TO IKSAN**

The Host Committee will welcome Youth Forum participants upon arrival at the Incheon International Airport (IATA code "ICN") and provide transport to Iksan, as well as transport from Iksan to either the airport at the end of the Forum, or to the World Scout Conference hotels at the end of the inter-event programme for those who will participate in the Conference.

Incheon International Airport is the point of entry for many international flights and is located 3 hours by bus from Iksan. There will be a bus service from the airport to Iksan. Details about the bus service will be provided later.

## **12. VISA**

Citizens of many countries require a visa to enter Korea. Detailed information is provided in the Registration Kit.

## **13. USEFUL INFORMATION**

Numerous websites provide interesting information for travellers about the Republic of Korea. We recommend visiting the following website: <http://www.etourkorea.com>

### **Currency**

The official currency of the Republic of Korea is the Korean Won. We recommend visiting <http://www.oanda.com> for calculating conversion rates between currencies.

Credit cards are widely accepted throughout the Republic of Korea. There are cash machines available throughout Korea.

### **Voltage**

In Korea, 220 volt outlets are most common.

### **Mobile Phone**

Mobile phones are unlikely to work in Korea since the networks in Korea are CDMA not GSM as in other parts of the world. Devices operating on 3G technology at 2100 MHz (UMTS/WCDMA/HSPA phones) roam Korea.

It is possible to buy or rent a phone to use there. Online-Reservation is possible from: [www.Tour2Korea.com](http://www.Tour2Korea.com)

### **Internet**

There is an Internet café at Wonkwang University.

### **Weather**

In July, it will be summer in Korea. Iksan is in the subtropics and the weather is likely to be warm. The usual air temperature at that time of year is between 26° C and 33° C.

### **What to Bring?**

- A Scout uniform should be worn as often as possible, as this is a Scout event, and it helps to promote Scouting in Korea.
- During the inter-event, participants will be travelling towards Jeju island. Therefore participants should bring sun-protection cream, sun glasses, a hat, and perhaps a light long-sleeved shirt for protection from the sun. Comfortable shoes should be worn for walking.

***All Conference documents are available at [www.scout.org](http://www.scout.org).***