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To: International Commissioners

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**Invitation and Registration for the 3rd World Scout Inter-religious Symposium,
21 - 25 October 2009 - Uganda**

Dear colleagues,

In continuation of Circular N° 3 (January 2009), please find enclosed, the 'Invitation' and 'Registration Form' for the 3rd World Scout Inter-religious Symposium (WSIS) to be held from 21st to 25th October 2009 in Speke Resorts Munyonyo, Kampala, Uganda.

This event will be organised by the World Scout Inter-religious Forum (WSIF), an informal network of religious groups/organisations in Scouting and will be jointly hosted by International Union of Muslim Scouts (IUMS) and The Uganda Scouts Association.

Following suggestions and recommendations from previous Symposiums, the WSIF and representatives from the Educational Methods Committee (of the World Scout Committee) have prepared a new approach with emphasis on the Scout Method, especially for the educational content of the event.

The Programme of the Symposium is being developed to be inclusive for Scouts from varied age groups and backgrounds.

More information for registration and future updates on this event can be found on our web-site: www.scout.org/wsis

Along with members of the WSIF, we request you to kindly contribute to the success of this important event by communicating it widely among your members.

Yours in Scouting,

Luc Panissod
Acting Secretary General

World Scout Interreligious Symposium

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الملتقى الكشفي العالمي للأديان

Всемирный Скаутский Межрелигиозный Симпозиум

3rd WORLD SCOUT INTER-RELIGIOUS SYMPOSIUM

Solidarity, Reflection and Celebration

Speke Resort Munyonyo

Kampala, UGANDA

21 - 25th October 2009



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INVITATION The World Scout Inter-religious Symposium



Background

The first World Scout Inter-religious Symposium (WSIS) was held in Valencia, Spain in December 2003. This event was organised by the World Scout Inter-religious Forum (WSIF) which is an informal group of representatives from the different faith communities present in Scouting. This group has been very active over a number of years, providing activities that help young people to explore aspects of faith at large events, particularly World Scout Jamborees.

The second WSIS was held in Taiwan in March 2006, when 90 leaders participated. During this event a new approach to spiritual development in Scouting was proposed. This has led to a new set of Guidelines on Spiritual Development in Scouting and a more formal relationship between the WSIF and the Educational Methods Committee in Scouting.

These new relationships facilitated a more co-ordinated approach to the Faith and Beliefs area at the World Scout Jamboree in 2007 and enabled some work to take place on inter-religious dialogue between young people, in addition to young people exploring aspects of their own faith and the faith of others.

A new approach

The WSIF and the representatives from the Educational Methods Committee would like to further develop the educational content of this event, so there will be a new approach to the programme of the third WSIS, which is being held in Uganda in October 2009, co-ordinated by the International Union of Muslim Scouts (IUMS) in partnership with the Uganda Scouts Association.

The approach is to embed the Scout Method in the programme for this event. All participants will be invited to participate in active learning – to share an experience with others, reflect on the experience and share these reflections with others. Sharing experiences with people from faiths other than our own, reflecting on these personally and listening to the reflections of others, has the potential to provide a rich learning experience.

The programme that has been developed by the members of the WSIF will be suitable for people of all faiths. There will be opportunities for religious observance for members of each of the faith communities so that all participants can meet their particular religious obligations.

The stages of the programme that have been developed are:

- Observing
- Seeking and sharing understanding
- Understanding expressed in action

The event in Uganda offers the potential to visit local projects and communities in small groups and there will be sufficient time allocated to enable some depth of engagement with the local people involved. There will be the opportunity to reflect on the experiences and encounters with other people in their group.

The Symposium will provide the participants with the opportunity to explore and share these experiences in relation to their own religious traditions, supported by a facilitator. Participants will then share these reflections in mixed faith groups.

There will again be some opportunity for personal reflection and an educational tour will be included in the programme of the event. Uganda is a country with a rich history and beautiful scenery. There are people from many different faiths living in Uganda so there will be an opportunity to visit different places of worship.

It is hoped that this new approach will appeal to a wide range of Scout leaders. Young people under the age of 30 are also very much encouraged to attend. This is an opportunity for a personal journey as well as an opportunity to explore inter-religious dialogue in an international setting in Scouting.

We hope that you will be inspired to attend.

- The World Scout Inter-religious Forum

REGISTRATION FORM
3rd World Scout Inter-religious Symposium (WSIS)

Theme: Solidarity, Reflection and Celebration

Venue: Speke Resport Munyonyo, Kampala, Uganda

Dates: 21st to 25th October 2009



NOTE:

1. This application form can be downloaded from www.scout.org/wsis and the completed application can be e-mailed to iums98@yahoo.com along with a copy of the payment confirmation.
2. The Symposium fee is € 200, please see section VI for more details.

Applications to be sent to:

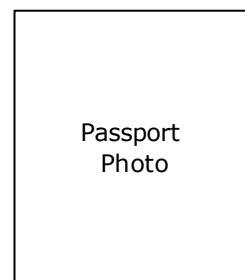
Mr. Hussain Sahal
Deputy General Secretary
International Union of Muslim Scouts (IUMS)
P.O. Box 9141 Jeddah 21413
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
(Deadline for the application to reach us: 20th July 2009)

Tel: + 966 2677 6476, +966 2679 0130

Fax: + 966 2679 8131

Mobile: + 966 5046 62674

Email: iums98@yahoo.com



I. Information about the Participant and the National Scout Organization (NSO)

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II. Your Experience and Expectations

11. Your role in Scouting (max. 50 words):

12. Experience in working with Scouting and Spiritual Development (max. 50 words):

13. Have you participated in an inter-religious dialogue before? If yes, briefly explain your experience (max. 100 words):

14. What are your expectations from the 3rd WSIS:

15. In what way do you plan to contribute to the 3rd WSIS (Theme - Solidarity, Reflection and Celebration):

III. Arrival/Departure and Visa

(If you don't have confirmed arrival and departure details currently, please email it to iums98@yahoo.com not later than 31st August 2009)

16. Arrival details (Entebbe Airport, Kampala): <i>(Please mention if arriving by other means of transport)</i>	Date (DD/MM/YYYY): Time (HH:MM): Flight No.:
17. Please mention if you have any special requirements (dietary, other special needs, etc.):	
18: If you need a Visa to visit Uganda, please give us the following details so we can email you the 'Visa Invitation Letter':	Passport Number: Nationality: Place of issue (passport): Date of issue: Date of expiry:
17. Departure details (Entebbe Airport, Kampala): <i>(The hosts of WSIS will provide for airport drops on 25th and 26th October 2009)</i>	Date (DD/MM/YYYY): Time (HH:MM): Flight No.:

IV. NSO attestation:

Name of the Signatory (NSO):	
Designation in NSO:	
Date of attestation (DD/MM/YYYY):	
Place (City, Country):	

Signature of participant: _____

Signature of approving authority from NSO: _____

V. Accommodation booking

Accommodation	Type	Cost	Your requirement
Speke Resort Munyonyo (Symposium venue) Tel: +256 414 227111 Fax: +256 312 227110 Email: speke@spekehotel.com Website: www.spekeresort.com	Luxury resort (shared room with two beds, includes breakfast & dinner)	€ 200 (21 st October 12.00 hours to 25 th October 12.00 hours) <i>Special price due to off season rates & the good contacts of Uganda Scout Association with Speke Resorts' owners</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Furnished room plus transportation to and from Speke Resorts (Symposium venue)	Shared rooms built in Scout camp area	€ 20 per night	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tent without Sleeping Bag plus transportation to and from Speke Resorts (Symposium venue)	Scout camp area – tent provided	€ 10 per night	<input type="checkbox"/>
Camp site without tent or sleeping bag and transportation to and from Speke Resorts (Symposium venue)	Scout camp area	€ 5 per night	<input type="checkbox"/>

The above accommodation booking is assumed for four nights (nights of 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th October), if you need bookings for extra nights please specify the dates below:

VI. Registration and Accommodation Payment details

The Symposium registration fee is **€ 200**, which includes the Symposium registration kit, venue and facilities, lunches, coffee breaks, airport pick-up/drop and all inland transportation for the Symposium programme from 21st to 25th October 2009.

Details for electronic transfer:

(Please send us a copy of the payment confirmation along with your completed registration form. The transfer for Symposium registration fee and accommodation has to arrive in our account not later than 31st July 2009)

Account holder's Name:	International Union of Muslim Scout
Account holder's address:	P.O. Box 9141 Jeddah 21413 Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
International Bank Account No.:	SA0545000000353333080
Bank name:	Sabb Bank
Bank Address	Sari Street Branch P.O. Box 109 Jeddah 21411 Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

(Detailed Agenda and programme details will be conveyed to registered participants by email)