



10th WORLD SCOUT YOUTH FORUM 2008 Iksan, KOREA

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF FORUM REGISTRATION AND OF EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE

MAIN RESULTS

- The 10th World Scout Youth Forum was the biggest ever, in terms of the number of participants and the number of countries represented.
- The system created for Iksan, where the World Scout Youth Forum Planning Committee was composed by the six Youth Advisors elected at Hammamet (Tunisia, 2005), a young representative from the Host Committee, supported by an executive from the World Scout Bureau and a representative of the World Scout Committee, demonstrated the importance of the Youth Involvement Policy and the success of empowering young people.
- There is a significant increase in all regions in the participation of women.
- 154 of the 175 Forum participants (88%) also took part in the Conference. 112 of them (73%) were registered as Conference delegates and 42 (27%) as Conference observers. This compares with 76% of Hammamet Forum participants who took part in the Tunisia Conference; 48% of these were Conference delegates and 52% were observers.
- Altogether 204 of the 939 Conference delegates and observers (22%) were under the age of 26. This compares to 20% in Hammamet.
- The Africa, Eurasia and Interamerican Regions attendance is growing very significantly in Iksan. One of the reasons is the effort of the Host Committee with the solidarity campaign.
- It clearly appears that the Forum contributes to encourage young delegates and observers to participate at the World Conference, and this is one of its most positive outcomes. It's important to highlight that countries delegations to the Conference involves more young people, from the total of 204 participants under the age of 26 in the Conference, 50 (25%) were in the delegations directly and 154 (75%) took part in the Forum as well. This is a positive step in the implementation of youth involvement in the decision making process.
- A total of 152 questionnaires were returned. This represents a rate of return of 87% from delegates/observers compared to 14% at the Hammamet Forum and 30% at the Metsovo Forum. This rate of return is significantly high than any Forum before for this type of survey. The obvious reason behind this phenomenon is the time allocated for evaluation during the final session of the Forum.

1. FORUM REGISTRATION

1.1 National Scout Organizations

1.1.1 Of the 160 National Scout Organizations (NSOs) which were eligible to send delegates and observes to the Youth Forum (i.e. excluding suspended members), 95 (59%) were present in Iksan.

This compares with 63 associations (41% of the 155 NSOs which were members of WOSM at that time) which participated in the previous Forum held in Hammamet, Tunisia, in 2005; and 47 associations (31% of the 152 NSOs which were members of WOSM) which participated in the Forum held in Metsovo, Greece, in 2002.

This is a higher level of participation than in Hammamet (41%) and Metsovo (31%).

Comments:

- The proportion of representation of NSOs at the World Scout Youth Forum has increased. It seems that the interest in the Forum continues since the resolutions adopted by the World Conferences in Thessaloniki in 2002 and Hammamet in 2005 about the review of the objectives and the content of the Forum as well its links with the work undertaken in the Regions.
- The system created for Iksan, where the World Scout Youth Forum Planning Committee was composed by the six Youth Advisors elected at Hammamet, a young representative from the Host Committee, supported by an executive from the World Scout Bureau and a representative of the World Scout Committee, demonstrated the importance of the Youth Involvement Policy and the success of empowering young people.
- The 10th World Scout Youth Forum was therefore the biggest ever, in terms of both the number of participants and the number of countries represented.

1.1.2 The number of NSOs attending the last three Forums as a percentage of the number of recognized NSOs in each Region was as follows:

| | Iksan | Hammamet | Metsovo |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Africa | 57% | 23% | 9% |
| Arab | 50% | 41% | 18% |
| Asia-Pacific | 67% | 43% | 43% |
| Eurasia | 63% | 17% | 29% |
| Europe | 63% | 77% | 59% |
| Interamerican | 53% | 22% | 19% |
| <i>World</i> | <i>59%</i> | <i>41%</i> | <i>31%</i> |

Comments:

- The Africa, Eurasia and Interamerican Regions attendance is growing very significantly in Iksan. One of the reason is the effort of the Host Committee with the solidarity campaign.
- The Arab Region level of attendance has increased in Iksan in relation with Hammamet and Metsovo.
- The Asia-Pacific have increased in Iksan. The reason is obvious that the World Scout Youth Forum is in the Asia-Pacific Region.
- By contrast the European Region have slightly decreased in Iksan. One reason could be the distance of the Forum from Europe.

1.1.3 The first column of the following table shows the regional breakdown of NSOs attending the Forum (delegates); the second column shows the regional breakdown of all recognized NSOs. Comparing the figures in the two columns gives a picture of the relative representation of the various Regions at the Forum.

| | Present in Iksan | Recognised NSOs | Present in Hammamet | Recognised NSOs |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Africa | 18% | 23% | 10% | 24% |
| Arab | 7% | 11% | 11% | 11% |
| Asia-Pacific | 22% | 15% | 18% | 15% |
| Eurasia | 4% | 5% | 2% | 4% |
| Europe | 32% | 26% | 48% | 26% |
| Interamerican | 17% | 20% | 11% | 20% |
| <i>Total</i> | <i>100%</i> | <i>100%</i> | <i>100%</i> | <i>100%</i> |

Comments:

- As was the case at the Hammamet Forum, the European Region was “over-represented” at the Forum. However the percentage have decreased.
- The Arab Region was slightly “under-represented” in Iksan.
- The Asia-Pacific Region are also slightly “over-represented”.
- The African, Eurasia and Interamerican regions remain under-represented. However the percentage have increased.

1.2 Participants: Delegates and Observers

1.2.1 The number of delegates/observers attending the Forum was as follows:

| | Iksan | (Increase/ decrease) | Hammamet | Metsovo |
|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Delegates | 126 | + 35% | 93 | 78 |
| Observers | 49 | + 4% | 47 | 32 |
| Total delegates/observers | 175 | + 25% | 140 | 110 |

Comments:

- The total number of delegates/observers was higher than in Hammamet and Metsovo.
- There were a significant increase of delegates and a slightly increase in the number of observers.

1.2.2 Number of participants by Region, in percentages of the total number of participants (delegates and observers), was as follows:

| | Iksan | Hammamet | Metsovo |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Africa | 14% | 7% | 4% |
| Arab | 8% | 11% | 5% |
| Asia-Pacific | 27% | 22% | 27% |
| Eurasia | 3% | 2% | 2% |
| Europe | 31% | 48% | 49% |
| Interamerican | 17% | 10% | 13% |
| <i>Total</i> | <i>100%</i> | <i>100%</i> | <i>100%</i> |

Comments:

- The Africa Region have a significant increase in the proportion of participants.
- The Asia-Pacific Region has an increase because the Forum was held in an Asian country.
- As was the case in Hammamet, the European Region was represented by the greatest proportion of participants.
- The Eurasia Region have a slight increase.
- The Arab region has a slight decrease in this Forum.
- The Interamerican Region have an increase in Iksan.

1.2.3 The proportion of **delegates to observers**, by Region, was as follows:

| | Hammamet | |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | Delegates | Observers |
| Africa | 96% | 4% |
| Arab | 64% | 36% |
| Asia-Pacific | 60% | 40% |
| Eurasia | 100% | 0% |
| Europe | 73% | 27% |
| Interamerican | 70% | 30% |
| World | 72% | 28% |

Comments:

- The African and Eurasian Regions sent the largest proportion of delegates.
- Almost one third of the participant's total was observers.

1.2.4 Representation by **men and women** was as follows:

| | Iksan | | Hammamet | |
|--------------|--------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Participants | 58% | 42% | 61% | 39% |
| Delegates | 60% | 40% | 72% | 28% |
| Observers | 47% | 53% | 57% | 43% |

Comments:

- The representation of women in Iksan was slightly higher than in Hammamet, and it is low particularly in the category of delegates. However the situation has improved.

1.2.5 By Region, the comparable figures are as follows:

| | Iksan | | Hammamet | |
|---------------|--------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| | Men | Women | Men | Women |
| Africa | 67% | 33% | 60% | 40% |
| Arab | 86% | 14% | 94% | 6% |
| Asia-Pacific | 57% | 43% | 52% | 48% |
| Eurasia | 20% | 80% | 50% | 50% |
| Europe | 44% | 56% | 57% | 43% |
| Interamerican | 60% | 40% | 71% | 29% |

Comments:

- The Arab Region have really increased the participation of women at the Iksan Forum.
- There is a significant increase in all regions in the participation of women apart from Asia-Pacific and Africa Regions which was lower than in Hammamet.
- Female participants from the European and Eurasia Regions were more in numbers than male participants.

1.3 World Youth Forum and World Scout Conference participants

154 of the 175 Forum participants (88%) also took part in the Conference. 112 of them (73%) were registered as Conference delegates and 42 (27%) as Conference observers. This compares with 76% of Hammamet Forum participants who took part in the Tunisia Conference; 48% of these were Conference delegates and 52% were observers.

Altogether 204 of the 939 Conference delegates and observers (22%) were under the age of 26. This compares to 20% in Hammamet.

Comments:

- There is a significant increase of Forum participants (88%) attending the Conference.
- In total, there were more Conference participants under the age of 26 (204, or 22%) than in Hammamet (147, or 20%) and Thessaloniki (99, or 16%).
- It clearly appears that the Forum contributes to encourage young delegates and observers to participate at the World Conference, and this is one of its most positive outcomes. It's important to highlight that countries delegations to the Conference involves more young people, from the total of 204 participants under the age of 26 in the Conference, 50 (25%) were in the delegations directly and 154 (75%) took part in the Forum as well. This is a positive step in the implementation of youth involvement in the decision making process.

1.4 Solidarity campaign

Operation Saekdong (OS) was an initiative of the Korea Scout Association (KSA) in partnership with Wonkwang University, Iksan, and the Jeju Island Government. This solidarity campaign was established to help Scouts who would not otherwise be able to attend to participate in the Youth Forum. The fund for Operation Saekdong was USD 200,000.

Young people from country categories A and B were fully supported financially. Young people from country category C were partially supported financially.

In total 58 young people were supported financially. All of them participated in the Forum and Conference.

| Region | Number of young people |
|--------------|------------------------|
| Africa | 20 |
| Arab | 6 |
| Asia Pacific | 9 |
| Eurasia | 4 |
| Europe | 8 |
| Interamerica | 11 |

1.5 Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee elections

As established by the Guidelines and rules of procedure of the Forum, a new format for the elections of the Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee was implemented for the first time in Korea. 15 official candidatures (7 females and 8 males) for the positions of Youth Advisors on time (2008-2011) were received. Distribution by regions: Arab (1), Africa (4), Asia Pacific (2), Europe (3), Interamerica (5).

2. FORUM EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE

2.1 Respondents

2.1.1 A total of 152 questionnaires were returned.

- This represents a rate of return of 87% from delegates/observers compared to 14% at the Hammamet Forum and 30% at the Metsovo Forum. This rate of return is significantly high than any Forum before for this type of survey. The obvious reason behind this phenomenon is the proper time allocated for evaluation during the final session of the Forum.

2.2 Results of the Forum evaluation

Respondents were asked to rate various aspects of the Forum according to a four point scale ranging from "++" to "--", as follows:

- ++ indicates a very positive evaluation
- + indicates a positive evaluation
- indicates a negative evaluation
- indicates a very negative evaluation.

An additional option on the evaluation scale was "O", indicating the respondent was not able to answer. Such a non-response might be given, for example, if the respondent had not read a particular document or did not attend a specific Forum session.

Overall, the Forum evaluation is very positive, with relatively few "negative" or "very negative" responses.

However, it should be borne in mind that evaluations of this kind, taken in the "enthusiasm of the moment", are normally more positive than those taken in a later, perhaps more objective, situation. Moreover, "Scout spirit" may cause some respondents to avoid giving very negative feedback.

It may be helpful, therefore, to examine the division between "positive" and "very positive" responses, and to consider as highly significant those cases where more than the average number of "negative" or "very negative" responses have been given.

A number of respondents added written comments; these have not been analysed for the time being.

2.2.1 Objectives

| | Very Positive | Positive | Negative | Very Negative | No reply |
|--|---------------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|
| To share ideas and experiences with young people from different cultures | 73% | 27% | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| To develop skills to improve youth participation in decision making | 34% | 57% | 6% | 2% | 1% |
| To identify ways of improving Scouting for adolescents and young people | 28% | 61% | 9% | 0% | 2% |
| To help you in the preparation for the World Scout Conference | 38% | 47% | 6% | 2% | 7% |

Comments:

- The first objective of the Forum (to discuss and express views on issues which are of interest to young people) is the most highly rated (100% ++ & +).
- The second objective (to develop skills needed to participate more effectively in decision making) was rated 91% (++ & +) and is higher than in Hammamet (80%) and Metsovo (78%).
- The objective "To identify ways of improving Scouting for adolescents and young people" was highly rated (89% ++ & +).
- The ratings for the fourth objective (to help young people in their preparation for the World Conference) is still positive (85% ++ & +), the same as in Hammamet (85%) and higher than in Metsovo (54%).
- In general all the objectives of the Forum were highly rated.

2.2.2 Working Methods

| | Very Positive | Positive | Negative | Very Negative | No reply |
|--|---------------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|
| Participants getting to know each other | 45% | 47% | 7% | 0% | 1% |
| Sharing of experiences between participants | 62% | 31% | 5% | 1% | 1% |
| Active participation by each young person | 24% | 57% | 16% | 1% | 2% |
| The contribution of each young person to the work of the Forum | 22% | 56% | 16% | 2% | 4% |

Comments:

- The question dealt with the impact of the working methods used. In this respect, the highest ratings were accorded to "participants getting to know each other" (92% ++ & +) and "sharing of experiences between participants" (93% ++ & +).
- "Active participation by each young person" was rated 81% (++ & +) and is much higher than in Hammamet (55% ++ & +)

- “Contribution of each young person to the work of the Forum” was rated 78% (++ & +) and is higher than in Hammamet (65% ++ & +).

2.2.3 Pre-forum Information

| | Very Positive | Positive | Negative | Very Negative | No reply |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| To what extent was the content useful for your preparation | 34% | 51% | 7% | 3% | 5% |
| To what extent did this information arrive in good time | 24% | 43% | 22% | 6% | 5% |
| To what extent was ScoutPost useful for your preparation | 12% | 29% | 20% | 12% | 27% |

Comments:

- Participants were satisfied with both the content of these papers (85% ++ & +) and the timing of their arrival (67% ++ & +).
- ScoutPost was evaluated by the first time and only received a rating of 41 (++ & +), it is important to highlight that 27% not answer the question and one of the reason is that they did not know about it before the Forum.

2.2.4 Documents for the Forum

| | Very Positive | Positive | Negative | Very Negative | No reply |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| To what extent did the Forum Documents arrive in good time? | - | - | - | - | - |
| Documents 1 & 2 in good time | 50% | 33% | 10% | 2% | 5% |
| Youth Advisors elections | 34% | 38% | 18% | 5% | 5% |
| To what extent were the Forum Documents useful for your preparation? | - | - | - | - | - |
| N° 1 Provisional Agenda | 53% | 40% | 5% | 1% | 1% |
| N° 2 Guidelines and Rules of procedure | 41% | 47% | 6% | 2% | 4% |
| Youth Advisors elections | 39% | 43% | 10% | 3% | 5% |

Comments:

- In terms of timing, Documents 1 & 2 were received in good time by participants (83% ++ & +).
- In terms of content, Document 1 (Provisional agenda), Document 2 (Guidelines and Rules of procedure) and Youth Advisors elections Document were highly appreciated (respectively 94% ++ & +, 88% ++ & + and 82% ++ & +).

2.2.5 Preparation of participants

| | Very Positive | Positive | Negative | Very Negative | No reply |
|--|---------------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|
| Individual preparation of each participant | 20% | 49% | 20% | 0% | 11% |
| Preparation by delegation | 24% | 46% | 21% | 2% | 7% |
| Support of your association | 31% | 33% | 17% | 10% | 9% |

Comments:

- Participants gave positive ratings to their preparations as individuals and delegation (respectively 69% ++ & + and 70% ++ & +)
- Participants received a positive support from NSOs (64% ++ & +). However 37% (- & --) believes that this was not very effective.

2.2.6 Working Sessions

| | Very Positive | Positive | Negative | Very Negative | No reply |
|--|---------------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|
| Introductory session (Monday morning) | 28% | 50% | 7% | 1% | 14% |
| Session 1: Scouting in the new century (Monday afternoon) | 32% | 50% | 5% | 0% | 13% |
| Session 2: Scouting in the new century (Tuesday morning) | 37% | 47% | 5% | 0% | 11% |
| Session 3: Creating a better world. MDGs & the Scouts of the World Award | 38% | 41% | 9% | 2% | 10% |
| Community services | 32% | 19% | 20% | 15% | 14% |
| Workshops & Open Forum | 44% | 37% | 10% | 1% | 8% |
| Recommendations: | 24% | 37% | 10% | 2% | 27% |
| Document | 26% | 46% | 17% | 2% | 9% |
| Discussion and Vote | 20% | 40% | 20% | 9% | 11% |
| Election of the Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee 2008-2011 | 36% | 42% | 9% | 4% | 9% |

Comments:

- In general all of the sessions got a very positive rating.
- "Session 1: Scouting in the new century (Monday afternoon)" and "Session 2: Scouting in the new century (Tuesday morning)" received the highest rating (respectively 82% ++ & + and 84% ++ & +).
- "Community services" received a 15% of "very negative" feedback.

2.2.7 Other Activities

| | Very Positive | Positive | Negative | Very Negative | No reply |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Daily meditations | 44% | 30% | 10% | 3% | 13% |
| Daily wake-up activities | 51% | 29% | 6% | 0% | 14% |
| Opening Ceremony | 56% | 25% | 8% | 1% | 10% |
| Cultural Evening | 54% | 25% | 9% | 3% | 9% |
| Projects fair | 29% | 43% | 14% | 3% | 11% |
| Closing Ceremony | 19% | 7% | 5% | 1% | 68% |

Comments:

- In general these activities were highly appreciated.
- The best rated was the "Opening ceremony" (81% ++ & +).

2.2.8 Welcome

| | Very Positive | Positive | Negative | Very Negative | No reply |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Welcome at Incheon International Airport | 70% | 15% | 5% | 0% | 10% |
| Transfer to Wonkwang University | 57% | 27% | 6% | 1% | 9% |
| Welcome and Registration in Wonkwang University | 60% | 30% | 4% | 1% | 5% |
| Accommodation at Wonkwang University | 54% | 29% | 8% | 2% | 7% |
| Meals | 35% | 41% | 9% | 7% | 8% |
| Working conditions at Wonkwang University | 57% | 31% | 4% | 1% | 7% |
| Services at Wonkwang University (information, change, post, computers, internet, shop) | 51% | 34% | 4% | 1% | 10% |
| Communication and support from the Host Committee | 65% | 22% | 5% | 1% | 7% |

Comments:

- In general all the conditions and preparations made by the Host Committee were highly appreciated by the participants.
- Welcome and registration was especially highly rated (90% ++ & +).
- The only lower rating was given to "meals" (76% ++ & +)

2.2.9 Level of responsibility in Scouting

| | Local | Intermediate | National |
|-------------------------------------|-------|--------------|----------|
| Level of responsibility in Scouting | 44 | 34 | 103 |

Participants had the option to select more than one option on this question. However it is important to point out that 103 participants have responsibilities at National level.

2.2.10 Written comments

Participants are offered the opportunity to write overall comments on the evaluation questionnaire. They are generally complementary on the Forum in general and the hosting arrangements. Comments are included below and organised by areas: Agenda/Content, Planning, Logistics, Venue, Communication, Host Committee and Publications. A majority of comments are highly positive and a considerable quantity relates to the appreciation of young people for their experiences, agenda, programme, etc.

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| Agenda / Content | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This was a truly amazing experience that brought the change by sharing. The time spent here won't be forgotten soon and I am sure that it will have an impact in our communities, in mine certainly. It was a total source of inspiration. The event was actually very well prepared and thank you for this to both "orange" and "purple" t-shirts. I didn't think that something can change me anymore, but these 4 days lasted more and brought in my life more than I expected. Thank you! You are awesome! See you in Brazil! ● I take with me lots of ideas and projects, big changes that we have to implement in our Federation. I hope to receive the support of my association. Good to everybody, this was one of the greatest experiences of my lifetime. ● It was a wonderful event, my first time at a world event, and all the experience that I have acquired it will help me improve the Scouting in my country. ● It was a really good experience. It is the 1st time we got a great number of participants. That's great! Thanks to Korea. It was really interesting and has contribute to our education and training. We learnt a lot of youth involvement in decision making. I thank all the staff and my next step is to implement everything I learnt here in my country. ● Very fantastic event, more engaging. Like programme flexibility, allowing participants suggest topics for workshops and open forum, this is highly commendable. ● The forum has been a great eye opening experience into the world arena of Scouting. This experience will stay with me for a long time. I sincerely appreciate the work and effort everyone has put into making this event so memorable. Well done guys. ● I believe the recommendation process would be much better if more focus was put on it being education as well as democratic. As it was I got the impression of "You don't understand, Bad luck for you" ● Recommendations need more time to be considered perhaps have them presented in an evening session and vote the next afternoon ● Working group should be smaller with limited time so that everyone can |
|-------------------------|--|

| | |
|--|---|
| | <p>share more and discuss more deeply in specific topics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● I think the workshop were great because you had the opportunity to exchange ideas & knowledge. But I would have been great it some of them could be more political or more ????? perhaps between regions (just ibe or two) – because even though sharing and learning is great I don't my out come to bring home to my NSO was as great as could have been became many countries are facing great troubles that European scouts do not. Sometimes these differences make it harder to gain something from all the workshops.● No community service that is not our purpose when we gather representatives from the whole world! But a great and learning experience● Daily meditations: too early● Very full schedule with full agenda which does not leaves us any free time.● More time for discussions on the recommendation and amendments● Break-out / discussions sessions ought to be longer to allow more sharing than to try to best the time.● Presents of discussions should be more fan & creative – skits, songs, dance, ppt.● More time for discussions on the recommendations and amendments● Less session, more time● More pedagogical than Tunisia● The forum has been a great eye opening experience into the world area of Scouting● That was my first and probably my last Youth Forum. I really liked it and certainly I learned so much with others experiences● We need more informal time on this kind of events to be able to meet as many people and make connections. Most of the partnerships and networking is done in this time. Suggest to add more topics to discuss with & reduce the number of people in each group, so that everyone has the opportunity to speak & express their ideas● Suggest to add more topics to discuss with & reduce the number of people in each group, so that everyone has the opportunity to speak & express their ideas● Although I am in general in support of community service, I believe the 'service' I did (peace) did not involve a productive service element and further to this at times I felt the handicapped people were not being shown the respect they deserved, due to the manner in which we were shown round the centre. May be a more productive community service project could be conducted during the inter-event programme. Having made these negative comments I would like to say though that as a whole the WSYF has been amazing! Thank you!!● Next time it has to be thought about time for recommendations. This was not enough before proposing and after for discussions● Needed more time to study recommendations. If you gave those recommendations on previous day it would be great.● Please give more time to know each other through games and eat. Reduce the time for workshops. They were good but having more of |
|--|---|

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| | <p>them make it boring.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Some recommendations and workshop discussions were rather non-pragmatic ● Recommendation: small groups for workshops ● More time to more important topics. Like the idea of the sheets to be filled out from open sessions, rather than full blown reports ● Community Service could take up the whole of the inter event (as well as ?? of SLEEPING). Allowing time on the Wednesday afternoon for resolution drafting and discussion in a large open space (so fresh air but also production!) ● Give longer times for the workshops. Recommendations to be submitted ??? in the forum to allow time for discussion ● Well done to the Organizing Committee and the World Scout Bureau. Your efforts are very much appreciated. Thanks for the awesome WSYF in Korea for these few days. It makes international friendship and understanding more possible. ● I think that recommendations should have more time to be discussed. Probably, if 4 days is the ideal number of days for the WSYF, it is ??? to don't till so much the agenda. ● The votation process of the recommendations was not very coherent so I suggest that should be made some criteria ??? strict before ??? votation process to everyone know how it will work ● We need more time for recommendations. May be a split seminar in two days: Presentation & Discussion note ● It would have been nice to collect "forced" collective opinions – now people often remained silent and the plenary was dominated by Europeans ● Perhaps a workshop on plenary procedures could be organised to make sure that everyone is up to speech ● The community service conflicted heavily with recommendation preparations – most of our time was taken by the YA election earlier ● Please give us more time to discuss in some important topic and in regional part because we can discuss and effect more in our region ● I would have appreciated larger workshops and would have liked to attend a greater variety of breakout sessions ● I think the forum participants should be given a greater time spare to discuss the proposed recommendations |
| <p>Planning</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Excellent in keeping track of time. Perhaps could emphasise the importance of punctuality. ● Great organisation, congratulations to the Youth Advisors and Host committee. ● This has been one of the most successful youth forums I have ever participated in. Still there is room for improvement in the 1) cultural evening, 2) community service to tackle the topic, 3) timing, 4) preparation of delegations and 5) the Projects fair ● The Forum was as closes to perfect as you can get in terms of organization |

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Many thanks to the organisation, the people of the Bureau, Youth Advisors and all the people that helped to make this event possible. It has been a very motivating week. ● Excellent organization of the Forum by KSA and Youth Advisors. Time management and allocation should be closely monitored in future. Certainly a big step forward for Youth Involvement in World Scouting! ● The Youth Advisors and Bureau staff need more times for breaks and food. Too many of you missed meals! Perhaps consider that food can be brought to plenary for those who have to work through meal breaks ● If we really want sharing among young of NSO's more free time for this to be done informally is necessary ● We would though have needed more time for the recommendations. e.g. deadline Wednesday at 1230, receive them Wednesday evening and vote Thursday morning ● We would be very glad to have more delegates in both forum and conference ● Time was a huge issue, they're simply was not enough of it during the forum. ● I believe that you should consider the duration of the forum or the inter event programme, as many of us work and it's not easy to take 16 days out off work. May be inter-event could be 1 day of relax before the forum and for those who want to travel around you can organise something after both ● Overall is very good! However, the organisation can be improved. For example, collection of form or CD in the cultural night can be earlier, and should have more information and explanations on it. ● May be a day longer would give more time for informal discussions and leave more space to discuss recommendation and amendment before the voting ● I think the forum should been 2 more days longer, even if in place of the inter-event programme ● Forum went well, because the organising committee worked well, koreans are very friendly. (originally in French) ● That a trained facilitator should be allocated to each discussion group. This person should not be a youth forum participant ● Participants should receive a copy of the final report & recommendations and feedback from those in the future ● Participants should receive a briefing kit before the forum including the 'official' information covered on the first day eg. WOSM structure, World Conferences etc. ● Time has to be maximised ??? Friday was not used for a productive day. ● Time management and allocation should be closely monitored in future. ● More time - YF should last 1 day longer ● There is need for regional balance in Youth Advisor representation |
| Publications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Guidelines and rules of procedure > the election ??? was not very clear ?? or 2 votes per delegation? > needs improvement |
| Communications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● You should send information direct to the Youth Networks or at least |

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| | <p>ensure that every delegate gets the material on time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Facilitators should control the discussions. Often discussions were dominated by a few people, leaving little chance for others. Language barrier, inefficient discussions ● Communication and Support from the host committee: very nice and did a great job, but very hard to communicate since most of them did not speak English ● Staff of host committee should speak a little more English. But even if that's not their fault, they are all so nice and helpful ● We would like to more support in languages, WOSM has two official languages -English and French, but the forum was 70% in English, this bring some problem of understanding. (Original in French) ● Communication : Those people of Korea don't know English. It's hard to talk with them. Also, we got "loss" after take off from the bus arrive Iksan, no one pick up and no one understand English! |
| Logistics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I would personally like to thank everyone who has contributed to my wonderful stay in South Korea so far. I am not disappointed at the accommodation and services. However, it would have been much better to get to know people from other continents better than Africa alone sticking together. I would also like to send my compliments to the Host Committee and the organiser of the Youth Forum ● Meals: I am on a diet since I came here ● It's nice to have local food, but ????? not everyone likes it. Next time must be thought about all cultures and their eating habits ● More time and Halal, Vegetarian food prepared. More field activities. ● Please prepare for Halal food because still here Muslims participants. |
| Venue | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Working condition: too far from the accommodation ● The distance from the dormitories and the plenary is very far away and it takes a lot of time ● Working conditions – discussions are hard to take place in if you can not hear. Rearrange rooms to facilitate good views and hearing ● I think the campus is too big! No transportation (bicycles) provided. ● The venue is too far from airport! ● More transportation available if our dormitory is far |
| Host committee | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Great Host Committee! ● I really appreciate the host committee's effort. Everyone is helpful and nice. ● Excellent hospitality from Host Committee. ● This Forum was awesome! Big thanks to the Host Committee, you were really nice to us, I will never forget you, you did a really good job. Viva Korea! |
| Other comments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Thanks, good Youth Forum. I had lots and lots of fun. Thanks, it's been great, a one in a lifetime experience!! Congratulation all was good ● I had a great time in here, and got great experiences, thanks you guys |

- Good luck and lots of fun for next Youth Advisors during preparation of the next Forum!
- It was cool, nice...a bit warm outside but work was very interesting especially for a first experience
- I think this forum is useful, to bring a young people to decision level. Train them but we feel same atmosphere as international gathering that are full of hope and do not produce anything except all the CO2 to bring all this people together. (Original in French) However, we can see the benefit of the unity of Scouting, and to think global thinking that helps to prepare the local actions
- To create a better world you need better people
- Hope of creating a better world. Great week. Love the people, the interaction, the fun and the hard work done by all.

Document prepared by:

Andres Morales
Unit Manager, Adolescents & Young Adults
Education, Research & Development
World Scout Bureau

Hiroshi Iwasaki
Project Officer, World Events
World Scout Bureau

September 2008. World Organization of the Scout Movement