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To: International Commissioners

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39th World Scout Conference, Curitiba, Brazil, 2011

Dear Colleagues,

The next World Scout Conference will be held in Curitiba, Brazil, from

Monday 10 to Friday 14 January 2011.

Do not forget to put these dates on your calendar right away.

União dos Escoteiros do Brasil (UEB), the National Scout Organization of Brazil, will host this Conference. They have formed a very good team in Curitiba, at the headquarters of the Organization, which is enthusiastically preparing for it.

1. THEME OF THE CONFERENCE

The World Scout Committee has decided that the Conference will focus on the future of Movement, with an emphasis on Scouting's cause, the next phase of the Strategy for Scouting and the governance of WOSM. The official theme chosen by the World Scout Committee at its September 2009 meeting is "**Leaders of Innovation**".

2. PROGRAMME & AGENDA

The agenda of the Conference is still being prepared and will be circulated to all National Scout Organizations well in advance of the Conference.

The programme will include, among many other elements, reports from the World Scout Committee including the work achieved during the current triennium and projects for the future, discussions of major topics and proposals on the agenda in plenary and in working groups, elections to the World Scout Committee and selection of Host Organizations of future World Scout Events. There will also be time for NSOs to meet in Regional groups and as national delegations. The Host Committee is preparing several social activities which will complement the programme.

3. WORKING METHODS

The working methods used during the last World Scout Conference in Korea were designed to:

- give more time to the Regions,
- streamline the agenda business items,
- create opportunities for participants to share with and learn from each other through interactive methods,
- ease the Resolutions process.

The elements that were well received will be retained for this Conference. Where working methods can be further improved, new approaches will be tried. The programme will include time for Regional meetings at the beginning and end of the week, a streamlined business agenda, longer discussion sessions on the items of importance and a different approach to ease the processes on constitutional amendments and Conference resolutions.

The working methods will facilitate a process to enable a clear vision for Scouting in the medium to long term and some specific goals to be achieved in the next triennium.

4. THE CONFERENCE VENUE

The Conference will be held at the Estação Embratel Convention Centre, which is located in downtown Curitiba, 25 minutes drive from Curitiba International Airport. It offers vast multi-purpose convention halls for meetings and exhibitions. Estação Embratel Convention Centre can provide all the support necessary to hold a conference such as ours.

For further information, please visit: <http://www.estacaoconvention.com.br/>

5. ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation for participants is being offered in three categories of hotels at reasonable distance from the Conference venue. There are a good number of rooms available in each category, and the rates obtained by the Host Committee are extremely attractive.

	Hotel Room Rates in Brazilian Real (BRL-R\$) (**)	
Hotel	Single Room	Double/Twin Room
5 stars (*)	275.00	160.00
4 stars (*)	150.00	90.00
3 stars (*)	100.00	60.00

(*) Breakfast included. (**) Current exchange rate: BRL-R\$ 1 = USD 0.575

PLEASE NOTE: Participants will have to book their own accommodation through the União dos Escoteiros do Brasil. More information about the hotels selected and the reservation procedure will be communicated soon.

6. GETTING TO AND FROM THE CONFERENCE VENUE

Several hotels are located a short walking distance from the Conference venue. Shuttle buses will be arranged between the Conference venue and the other hotels.

7. CONFERENCE FEE

The Conference fee for delegates and observers covers conference facilities, all official documentation, lunches from Monday to Friday, coffee breaks, opening dinner and farewell banquet, social activities and special events organized by our Brazilian hosts, as well as transport from Curitiba International Airport to the hotels and back, to programme events and to and from the Conference venue.

The Conference registration fee is the same as that for the 38th World Scout Conference in Korea in 2008. It varies between **Euros 435 and Euros 670**.

It is also adapted for participants below 26 years old and is between **Euros 400 and Euros 605**

In response to Conference Resolution 6/02 adopted in 2002 in Thessaloniki, a particularly attractive combined "Forum + Conference" fee is proposed for participants below 26 years old attending both events. It varies from **Euros 425 to Euros 750**.

This combined fee:

- provides a significant discount when compared with the fee for attending only the Forum;
- makes it possible for participants below 26 years old, who would in any case attend the Conference, to also participate at the Forum (4 days full board and the inter-event) for an additional Euros 25 to 145.

Discounted fees will apply for payments received by 10 November 2010.

This fee structure is shown in Appendix 1.

8. DELEGATES AND OBSERVERS

According to the terms of Article VIII (2) of the WOSM Constitution, each Member Organization can designate a maximum of six (6) delegates. Only individuals who are members of WOSM can be delegates at the World Scout Conference.

Attention of National Scout Organizations is drawn to Resolution 6/02 adopted by the 2002 Conference in Thessaloniki which "urges each national Scout association to ensure an equitable representation of young men and women under the age of thirty ... in the delegations to Regional and World Conferences...".

Member Organizations can also designate authorized observers to attend the Conference.

9. PARTICIPATION OF YOUNG ADULTS

Resolutions 15/88, 12/90, 2/93, 7/93, 10/93, 4/96, 6/02 and 11/05 adopted respectively by the 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 36th and 37th World Conferences encourage Member Organizations to include young adults in their delegations. This is facilitated because:

- the 11th World Scout Youth Forum will take place at the Viena Park Hotel, in Blumenau, just a few days before the Conference, and because
- the World Scout Committee in November 1994 adopted the principle of:
 - i) a reduced conference fee for young adults below 26 years of age attending only the World Scout Conference,
 - ii) a specially attractive combined "Conference + Forum" fee for young adults below 26 attending both events.

The fees can be found in Appendix 1.

10. ACCOMPANYING PERSONS' PROGRAMME

The Host Committee is organizing a special programme during the Conference for persons accompanying delegates and observers.

The programme will give the participants the opportunity to discover Curitiba and Brazilian culture, history and traditions. More details, including the fee for the Accompanying Persons' Programme, will be communicated as soon as this programme is finalized.

11. PRE AND POST CONFERENCE TOURS

In addition, the Host Committee will propose tourist programmes for pre and post conference tours. More information will be provided in a later circular.

12. GETTING TO CURITIBA

Participants flying to Curitiba through São Paulo will be assisted for the transfer between São Paulo, Guarulhos International airport and São Paulo Congonhas airport from where many of the flights to Curitiba International airport depart. There are over 100 daily domestic flights from many different locations throughout Brazil and 3 flights from 3 international routes to/from Curitiba which is about 45 minutes flying time from São Paulo.

Whether flying to Curitiba directly or through São Paulo, participants will be welcomed by the Host Committee upon arrival at São Paulo and Curitiba International Airport and will be transferred by bus to the Conference hotels.

Estação Embratel Convention Centre is about 25 minutes drive from Curitiba International Airport.

13. USEFUL INFORMATION

Numerous websites provide interesting information about Brazil for travellers. We recommend visiting the following website: <http://www.braziltour.com>

The official currency of Brazil is the Brazilian Real. We recommend visiting <http://www.oanda.com> for calculating conversion rates between currencies.

14. IMPORTANT - PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE

In order to assist the Host Committee to plan for this event and to provide quality services to all participants, **you are kindly requested to complete and return the attached planning questionnaire** (Appendix 2) **by 31 January 2010**.

- Please estimate the number of delegates, observers, and accompanying persons who will attend from your Organization.
- Please estimate this group's needs for accommodation.

Your response will be greatly appreciated and we count on your cooperation!

Yours in Scouting,

Luc Panissod
Secretary General

Appendices:

1. Registration fees for the World Scout Conference & World Scout Youth Forum
2. Planning Questionnaire to be returned by 31 January 2010

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10 - 14 January 2011

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11th WORLD SCOUT YOUTH FORUM

Blumenau, Brazil
3 - 6 January 2011

CONFERENCE AND FORUM REGISTRATION FEES

(ALL VALUES IN EURO)

Fee Category*	Conference (age 26 and below)	Conference (over 26 years old)	Conference + Forum	Forum Only
A	400	435	425	190
B	515	570	595	255
C	585	625	685	315
D	605	670	750	360

**DISCOUNTED CONFERENCE AND FORUM REGISTRATION FEES
FOR PAYMENTS RECEIVED BY 10 NOVEMBER 2010**

Fee Category*	Conference (age 26 and below)	Conference (over 26 years old)	Conference + Forum	Forum Only	Discount on Korea fee
A	360	390	380	170	-10.00%
B	475	525	550	235	-7.50%
C	555	595	650	300	-5.00%
D	590	650	730	350	-2.50%

* Please refer to the table on the back of this page.

CLASSIFICATION OF WOSM MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS BY GNIper capita (BASIS APRIL 2008) – ALPHABETICAL ORDER – FOR THE WORLD SCOUT CONFERENCE & YOUTH FORUM REGISTRATION FEE, 2011, BRAZIL

NSOs	GNIpc	Category	NSOs	GNIpc	Category	NSOs	GNIpc	Category
Albania	2,930	B	Greece	27,390	D	Pakistan	800	A
Algeria	3,030	B	Grenada	4,650	C	Palestinian Author.	1,230	B
Angola	1,970	B	Guatemala	2,590	B	Panama	6,000	C
Argentina	5,150	C	Guinea	400	A	Papua N.G.	740	A
Armenia	1,920	B	Guyana	1,150	B	Paraguay	1,410	B
Australia	35,860	D	Haiti	430	A	Peru	2,980	B
Austria	39,750	D	Honduras	1,270	B	Philippines	1,390	B
Azerbaijan	1,840	B	Hong Kong	29,040	D	Poland	8,210	C
Bahamas	21,600	D	Hungary	10,870	C	Portugal	17,850	D
Bahrain	19,350	D	Iceland	49,960	D	Qatar	42,669	D
Bangladesh	450	A	India	820	A	Romania	4,830	C
Barbados	9,260	C	Indonesia	1,420	B	Russian Fed.	5,770	C
Belgium	38,460	D	Ireland	44,830	D	Rwanda	250	A
Belize	3,740	C	Israel	20,170	D	San Marino	45,130	D
Benin	530	A	Italy	31,990	D	Saudi Arabia	13,980	D
Bhutan	1,430	B	Jamaica	3,560	B	Senegal	760	A
Bolivia	1,100	B	Japan	38,630	D	Serbia	4,030	C
Bosnia Herzegov.	3,230	B	Jordan	2,650	B	Seychelles	8,870	C
Botswana	5,570	C	Kazakhstan	3,870	C	Sierra Leone	240	A
Brazil	4,710	C	Kenya	580	A	Singapore	28,730	D
Brunei Darussalam	26,930	D	Kiribati	1,240	B	Slovakia	9,610	C
Bulgaria	3,990	C	Korea, Rep.	17,690	D	Slovenia	18,660	D
Burkina Faso	440	A	Kuwait	30,630	D	South Africa	5,390	C
Burundi	100	A	Latvia	8,100	C	Spain	27,340	D
Cambodia	490	A	Lebanon	5,580	C	Sri Lanka	1,310	B
Cameroon	990	B	Lesotho	980	B	St. Lucia	5,060	C
Canada	36,650	D	Liberia	130	A	St. Vincent/Gren.	3,320	B
Cape Verde	2,130	B	Libya	7,290	C	Sudan	800	A
Chad	450	A	Liechtenstein	58,050	D	Suriname	4,210	C
Chile	6,810	C	Lithuania	7,930	C	Swaziland	2,400	B
China, Scouts of	17,230	D	Luxembourg	71,240	D	Sweden	43,530	D
Colombia	3,120	B	Macedonia	3,070	B	Switzerland	58,050	D
Comoros	660	A	Madagascar	280	A	Syria	1,560	B
Congo, DR	130	A	Malawi	230	A	Tajikistan	390	A
Costa Rica	4,980	C	Malaysia	5,620	C	Tanzania	350	A
Côte d'Ivoire	880	A	Maldives	3,010	B	Thailand	3,050	B
Croatia	9,310	C	Malta	15,310	D	Togo	350	A
Cyprus	23,270	D	Mauritania	760	A	Trinidad & Tobago	12,500	D
Czech Republic	12,790	D	Mauritius	5,430	C	Tunisia	2,970	B
Denmark	52,110	D	Mexico	7,830	C	Turkey	5,400	C
Dominica	4,160	C	Moldova	1,080	B	Uganda	300	A
Dominican Rep.	2,910	B	Monaco	36560	D	Ukraine	1,940	B
Ecuador	2,910	B	Mongolia	1,000	B	United Arab Emir.	26,210	D
Egypt	1,360	B	Montenegro	4,130	C	United Kingdom	40,560	D
El Salvador	2,680	B	Morocco	2,160	B	United States	44,710	D
Estonia	11,400	D	Mozambique	310	A	Uruguay	5,310	C
Ethiopia	170	A	Namibia	3,210	B	Venezuela	6,070	C
Fiji	3,720	C	Nepal	320	A	Yemen	760	A
Finland	41,360	D	Netherlands	43,050	D	Zambia	630	A
France	36,560	D	New Zealand	26,750	D	Zimbabwe	340	A
Gabon	5,360	C	Nicaragua	930	B	Cat A: < US\$ 906		
Gambia	290	A	Niger	270	A	Cat B: US\$ 906 to US\$ 3,595		
Georgia	1,580	B	Nigeria	620	A	Cat C: US\$ 3,596 to US\$ 11,115		
Germany	36,810	D	Norway	68,440	D	Cat D: > US\$ 11,115		
Ghana	510	A	Oman	11,120	D			

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PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE

NATIONAL SCOUT ORGANIZATION:

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COUNTRY:

1. ESTIMATION OF ATTENDANCE

Please indicate the approximate number of people from your Organization who will attend the 39th World Scout Conference:

_____ Delegates _____ Observers _____ Accompanying persons

2. ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENTS

Please indicate the approximate number of rooms per category your delegation will need (*NB: this is not a reservation, but only for planning purposes*):

Hotel	Single Room	Double/Twin Room
5 stars		
4 stars		
3 stars		

3. PRE AND/OR POST CONFERENCE TOURS

Please indicate the approximate number of people who may be interested in Pre and/or Post Conference tours: _____ persons

NAME: POSITION:
(President / Chief Commissioner / International Commissioner)

DATE: SIGNATURE:

Please return this form **no later than 31 January 2010**, to:
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