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**World Scout Committee  
Elections**





## WORLD SCOUT COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

### NOTE

This document should be examined and discussed by your Organization and brought to the Conference by your delegation.

The information which is in the first part of the presentation of the candidates is based on the information communicated by the NSOs concerned. The texts of motivation are presented in their entirety.

### ELECTION PROCEDURE

The Conference will elect six members for six-year terms of office.

Voting papers will be distributed to the leader of each delegation having voting rights at the Conference. Nothing may be entered on the voting paper except the number of votes cast for each candidate.

Voting will be by secret ballot. The number of votes cast in favour of each candidate will be announced.

Please refer to Conference Document No. 2 - Rules of Procedure, Section 7, Elections.

### LIST OF CANDIDATES

Mr. Azrul **Azwar** (Indonesia)  
Mrs. Thérèse **Bermingham** (Ireland)  
Mr. Mario **Díaz Martínez** (Spain)  
Mr. Gnamakolo **Doumbia** (Côte d'Ivoire)  
Mr. Georges **El Ghorayeb** (Lebanon)  
Mr. Thomas **Ertlthaler** (Austria)  
Mr. Steve **Fossett** (U.S.A.)  
Mr. George Po-Cheng **Huang** (China, Scouts of)  
Mr. Alexandros **Modiano** (Greece)  
Mr. Nkwenkwe **Nkomo** (South Africa)  
Mrs. Nozima **Nurmukhamedova** (Tajikistan)  
Mr. Sutham **Phanthusak** (Thailand)  
Mr. George **Purdy** (United Kingdom)  
Mr. Anthony **Thng** Bock Boh (Singapore)  
Mr. Gualtiero **Zanolini** (Italy)



Mr. Azrul **Azwar**

Indonesia

Aged 60. Married. Three children. Presently, Chairman of the Indonesian Scout Health Association (Saka Bakti Husada Indonesia), Chairman of the National Board of the Indonesian Scout Movement (Gerakan Pramuka) since 2003 (member from 1989-2003).

He attended the 21st Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference 2004 in Brunei Darussalam.

Medical Doctor in Public Health. MD, MPH, PhD. Director General of Public Health, Ministry of Health, Rep. of Indonesia since 1998. Professor in Faculty of Medicine, University of Indonesia Jakarta since 1974. Was Dean of the Faculty of Nursing, University of Indonesia. Is President of Indonesian Family Physicians Association, Chief of Editors, Indonesian Journal of Family Medicine. Has held Honorary Appointments in medicine. Was member of the People's Consultative Assembly, Rep. of Indonesia. Has published findings papers, reference books and numerous articles in the field of public health and family planning.

#### **Text of motivation**

Problems found in the youth nowadays are very complex, such as alcohol & drug abuse, violence and crime, free-sex which cause sexual transmitted diseases including HIV/AIDS, and school drop-outs. Should we not be able to find a solution, the future of society will be in jeopardy. While we are aware that the values, norms, programs and activities found in the Scout Movement, if properly conducted, would be able to solve those stated problems above. At the same time, these can also guide youth to a much brighter futures, which will have positive impact towards society as a whole; national, regional and international.

The conflicts between many countries nowadays can also be solved through Scout activities and programmes. Scout Movement can strengthen relationship and brotherhood amongst youth from different countries. Unfortunately, the development of the Scout has not yet to be satisfied. The image of Scout is far lower compare to 2 or 3 decades ago. Younger generations are not showing much interest on it any more. With the problems and concerns stated above and with extensive experiences that I have in many organizations, I would like to participate in the effort to actively solve those problems at the regional as well as international level, by becoming a member of the World Scout Committee. Furthermore, the experiences I have by becoming a member of the World Scout Committee will be beneficial for the Indonesian Scout Movement, and also the young generations of Indonesia as a whole, which is the fourth populous country in the world.

Azrul Azwar



Mrs. Thérèse **Bermingham**

Ireland

Aged 50. Married. She joined Scouting in 1976 and served at many levels. Was adult leader for 28 years, National Training Commissioner for six years, member of the National Executive Board Scouting Ireland CSI (1993-2003), member of the task force that introduced the new Association, Scouting Ireland. First person elected an honorary life member. First elected to the European Scout Committee in 1998 with responsibility for the Adult Resources portfolio (1998-2001); re-elected and appointed Regional Chairman (2001-2004). Previous member World Adult Resources Committee, current member of the European Finance Advisory Committee.

Attended World Scout Committee meetings (2001-2004) and participated in numerous international Scout events, seminars and conferences.

Professional qualifications in Accountancy and Tax Law (Irish and International) A.I.T.I. Has Training and Development qualification M.I.I.D.T. Self-employed Taxation Consultant since 1989. Had previously worked for the Irish Government's Revenue service and professional accountancy firms as a tax consultant. She is a member of the Irish Institute of Training and Development, where she lectures in Financial Planning, Taxation Law and Team Building.

#### **Text of motivation**

I am a candidate for the World Scout Committee because I believe that I can make a positive contribution to Scouting at the World level having served at national and regional levels. As Chairman of the European Region 2001-04 I successfully guided European Scouting through the significant challenges and I believe I have shown that I can be a team player as well as a leader. I try to identify the skills and talents of others so I can work with them to achieve mutual goals. The Regional Chairmanship gave me an opportunity to work with a variety of cultures and languages, and this has given me a broader understanding of the merits and strengths of such diversity.

The most important challenge facing Scouting today is to manage effectively the changes needed to retain membership and ensure continued growth of the Movement. To achieve this we need programmes which are attractive and challenging to young people. We also need to ensure that the adults in our Movement, who are responsible for running these programmes, are properly equipped with the necessary skills to do so and are encouraged and supported in their roles. I am committed to supporting attainment of these two vital objectives for the Movement. I believe I have proven expertise in strategic planning, change management and financial control. I try to deal with issues in a forthright but considered manner and I believe I have the capacity to interact constructively with people at all levels of the Movement. I am comfortable working in the complex political arenas that exist throughout the Movement and I continually seek to pursue the fundamental goals of Scouting. I believe I can make a significant contribution to the work of the World Scout Committee if elected.

Thérèse Bermingham



Mr. Mario **Díaz Martínez**

Spain

Aged 39. Single. Is Secretary of the Federación de Escultismo en España (Federation of Scouts in Spain).

He attended three World Scout Conferences in Oslo, Durban and Thessaloniki, four European Scout Conferences in Salzburg, Luxembourg, Prague and Reykjavik, two Regional Scout Conferences Inter-American and Arab (2004), World Scout Jamboree in Holland (1995), European RoverWay (2003), Euro-Arab Regional Co-operation meetings in Kuwait and Cyprus, ICCS meetings and seminars, International Scout Symposium in Marrakech (1994), WOSM Peace Cruise (1999), World Scout Interreligious Symposium in Valencia (2003).

Degree as primary and secondary school teacher. Bachelors degree in English philology; PhD in English Philology. Presently, lecturer of several university subjects related to business English and applied language; Vice-Dean of Student Mobility and International Exchanges of the Faculty of Economics and Business Studies, University of León (Spain). University college formal lecturer since 1998, Modern Philology Department of the University of León. First Manager of the Office for Youth Affairs, Town Council of León; Executive Board of Spanish Youth Council.

#### **Text of motivation**

I am a candidate to the World Scout Committee because I have always believed the way is made by walking it... I am ready to start walking this challenge now, because I have a clear vision of the Scouting I would like to see at the end of the way, in six years time. I want to work hard for a strong, dynamic and innovative Scouting, proud of its past, but ready to face the complex transformations of the age of globalisation. Scouting as a high quality educative Movement with its own concept of voluntary work, greedy to listen and react to the demands of children and young people.

I want to see a Scout Movement which reveals as a powerful force, capable of transforming our closest reality, promoting peace, understanding and co-operation at all levels by reaffirming its clear vocation of building a better world together. As I am strongly committed with our Movement, I am convinced I can make a positive contribution as Committee member, not only because of my expertise in the international field, but also because I think my personal skills and determination may significantly support the achievement of our common mission in strategic areas like youth involvement, volunteers in Scouting, institutional relationships or external communications. It is a long way ahead, indeed but a Movement is motion. So, let us walk together now.

Mario Díaz Martínez



Mr. Gnamakolo **Doumbia**

Côte d'Ivoire

Aged 52. Married. Five children. Joined Scouting as Wolf Cub in 1960. Has occupied various positions from District Cub Commissioner, Federal Training Commissioner to General Commissioner of Eclaireurs of Côte d'Ivoire. Presently President of the Côte d'Ivoire Scout Federation since 2000. Served as a member of the Africa Scout Committee (1998-2004).

Has participated in four World Scout Conferences in Bangkok, Oslo, Durban and Thessaloniki, in four Africa Scout Conferences in Abidjan, Dakar, Libreville and Mauritius. Represented WOSM at World Leprosy Conference (Abidjan) and at the Africa Conference of WAGGGS.

Medical doctor. Special certificate of studies in general surgery, specialist in digestive and proctologic surgery. Currently specialist in visceral-proctologic surgery at the University Hospital of Treichville (Abidjan). Former Municipal Councillor. Deputy Mayor of Abidjan (Koumassi) since 1990.

#### **Text of motivation**

It is my commitment to the cause of Scouting that has prompted me to stand for election to the World Scout Committee.

Membership of the World Scout Committee requires experience and skills in the areas of leadership, committee work, relationships and multiculturalism. In this respect, my familiarity with many member organizations of the World Scouting brotherhood and my willingness put me in good stead to take on new challenges.

These challenges include, first of all, to work on further promoting youth participation in decision-making in our organization. Then, the promotion of women and the equal treatment of men and women are subjects close to my heart. And last but not least, my knowledge of African problems (health, education, environment, conflicts, etc.) will be a considerable asset in terms of taking decisions in a completely open, impartial and fair climate.

In sum, I am committed to the global growth of the Scout movement.

I undertake to respect the law, method and principles of Scouting in order to help achieve our mission.

Gnamakolo Doumbia



Mr. Georges **El Ghorayeb**

Lebanon

Aged 47. Married. Two children. International Commissioner of the Lebanese Scout Federation (1996-2002) then from 2004 to date; member of the Arab Regional Strategy Committee since 1999. Formerly Commissioner for Scout Branch (1980- 1988) and President of the Lebanese Scout Association (1998-2004).

Has participated in three World Scout Conferences at Oslo, Durban and Thessaloniki; in three Arab Regional Conferences in Qatar, Jeddah and in Cairo; in four Euro-Arab Meetings since 1997; at the 18th World Scout Jamboree (2005, Holland) and at the 10th World Scout Moot (1996, Sweden).

Master's Degree in Management. Postgraduate Diplomas in Finance and Accounting Expertise. Since 1982, owner of a firm specialising in audit, accounting expertise and financial studies. Financial expert sworn in by legal tribunals in Beirut. Associate director of French audit company. Member of the Lebanese Order of Auditors and of the Arab Order of Auditors.

#### **Text of motivation**

My candidature is an act of faith in Scouting and its method, which requires the active participation of young people in their own development. I also fully support the mission statement adopted in Durban in 1999, as well as the development of the strategy of the movement with a view to implementing the mission, revitalizing the Scout method and tackling the challenges facing the world of non-formal education.

I believe in the diversity that Scouting offers, diversity aimed at respecting differences, promoting equality and developing a system of values based on spiritual principles, as well as reaching out to all segments of society, participating actively in rebuilding a world of peace, encouraging inter-religious and intercultural dialogue and thereby strengthening mutual respect.

I firmly believe that by offering top-quality, educational Scouting within a dynamic, innovative movement, Scouting will be able to attract more and more young people of both sexes and from all religions.

It is in this context that, through my candidature, I would like to contribute to the achievement of the mission of our movement.

Georges El-Ghorayeb



Mr. Thomas **Ertlthaler**

Austria

Aged 38. Married. Joined Scouting in 1977 as Cub Scout. Was leader of third age group; member of regional and national training team; chief editor of National Scouting Magazine. Presently, International Commissioner since 1996. Was member of the European regional working group on "Management and Adult Resources" (2001-2004). Is member of team for Pfadfinder und Pfadfinderinnen Österreichs third world projects; member of team for international distribution of the "Peacelight" (brought the light to New York in 2004).

Attended all World Scout Jamborees since 1983, as contingent leader in Thailand 2003, 10 German speaking conferences (including chairman of the 2002 Conference in Austria), all three European Scout Conferences since 1998 (Luxembourg, Praha and Reykjavik), all three World Scout Conferences since 1996 (Oslo, Durban and Thessaloniki); Euro-Arab Regional Co-operation meetings in Kuwait (1997), Boy Scouts of America's Annual Business Meeting (2003).

PhD in Journalism and History, University of Vienna, specialised in Public Relations. Freelance journalist. Since 1995, teacher for special education in a public school in Vienna and Administrator of that school since 2002.

#### **Text of motivation**

Until now I have visited 67 countries in all continents and met people from all different cultures, religions and backgrounds. I am actively involved in third world projects and in the world wide distribution of the "Peacelight". Doing that I have learned to build bridges between people and associations and I like to communicate with people from all cultures and parts of the society. I have always been a team worker and I'm common with many different ways of working. With these skills and experiences I think I can contribute to the World Scout Committee. I'm prepared to serve world Scouting!

It's important for me to have transparency in all decisions taken: our constitution and structures have to be slight and easy to follow and give NSOs a bottom-up possibility to participate actively in the decision making process. Mutual trust should be the goal.

I would like Scouting to be more "visible": this can be achieved by focussing on external communication and public relations. We have to translate Scouting into business-terms to show the high quality of our programme and training. As a consequence better Scouting for more young people will make our world Movement young and modern for the next 100 years of Scouting.

Thomas Ertlthaler



Mr. Steve **Fossett**

U.S.A.

Aged 61. Married. Elected to a three-year term on the World Scout Committee in 2002. Member of the National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America, serving on the BSA's International, High Adventure, and National Scouting Museum Committees. Past Chairman of the BSA's Venturing Committee (co-educational program). Is a BSA Distinguished Eagle Scout.

Master of Business Administration, Washington University. Bachelor of Arts, Stanford University. Presently, President of Larkspur Securities Inc., an investment company.

### **Text of motivation**

My start in Adventure activities was as a Scout. In the last three years I have completed three major adventures: First Solo Balloon Flight Round the World (2002), Round the World Sailing Record (2004), and First Solo Non-stop Airplane Flight Round the World (2005). After each event I have credited my Scouting background. In this way, and as a member of the World Scout Committee, I have sought to promote Scouting. I believe that our World Organization can do much more to help national Scout organizations develop meaningful program and activities for youth. This will be my primary goal if re-elected to the World Scout Committee.

Steve Fossett



Mr. George Po-Cheng **Huang**

China, Scouts of

Aged 64. Married. Three children. Joined Scouting in 1955. Established Troop 22 of Taipei City Chong-Shan Scout Group in 1963 and Troop 346 of Taipei City Firewood Scout Group in 1992. Past member of APR Environment Sub-Committee (1992-1995), member of APR Scout Committee(1995-1998) and Vice-Chairman (1998-2001). Chaired the Executive Committee of 12th World Scout Moot Taiwan 2004. Currently, Secretary General of Scouts of China since 2001 and International Commissioner since April 2005.

Attended every World Scout Conference, every Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference since 1984 and several workshops and seminars in APR. National Trainer since 2001.

Taipei Medical University. Presently, Medical Director of St. John Maternity Hospital.

#### **Text of motivation**

I joined Scouting when I was a teenager. I am the International Commissioner of Scouts of China, and I am also the Scout Leader of my own Scout group in Taipei. I have participated every Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference and World Scout Conference since 1984. And I served in various positions in A-P regional, during 1998-2001, I served as the Vice Chairman of the APR Committee.

I understand the situation in Africa Region where many African youth want to join Scouting, but they cannot afford to buy the Scout uniform and the scarf. I am very concerned in it. I plan to help them to make their dream come true.

In Arab Region there are some countries stopped Scouting due to the War. I wish I could help them to restart Scouting in these countries. Of course, there are countries in my region also stopped Scouting, like Iran, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos, Afghanistan and Vietnam. Let us work together and help more young people to join in Scouting.

As for China, it has four hundred and twenty eight million populations of the right age of Scouts. I understand that it is not a simple exercise to re-activate Scouting there. I am aware that the World Scout Bureau is working on this development project and would like to re-introduce Scouting to billions of young people there. I am a Chinese, brought up in the Chinese culture and speaking the Chinese language. I am truly willing to help China to join WOSM and not disobey the spirit of the Scouting and the right of the other country members. Meanwhile we should help Macau to join us.

Scouting needs a good program, attractive to young people. The management of Scouting needs to be open and accessible, and needs young members in decision-making process, particularly in areas of program, communication and project.

Being a Doctor, I promise that I will do my best to serve Scouting and make things better and better. I have confidence that I can make things more precise, more thoroughly considered, more prosperous and more esteemed.

George Po-Cheng Huang



Mr. Alexandros **Modiano**

Greece

Aged 40. Single. Joined Scouting in 1971. Was Senior Scout and Cub Scout leader. Continued during studies in Switzerland within Swiss Scout Association and upon return in Greece, served as International Secretary and District Commissioner. Was member of the World Programme Committee (1991-1993). Currently on National Board of the Greek Scout Association (SHP). As Deputy Secretary General he managed the volunteer programme for the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Attended four World Scout Conferences since 1993 (Bangkok, Oslo, Durban, Thessaloniki), four European Regional Scout Conferences and numerous Regional Seminars, Moots and Fora.

Lawyer. Law Degree (Lausanne, Switzerland), Political Science and International Relations Degree (Athens). Presently, Managing Director of a Public Relations and Communication Agency and continues to share time and energy in public interest bodies. Serves as Secretary General of the Greek National Committee of the International Chamber of Commerce chairing its "Marketing & Advertising" and "Business in Society" Committees. Also served in numerous professional associations and civil organizations.

#### **Text of motivation**

My strong interest in joining the World Scout Committee comes from my dedication to supporting our Movement over the last 30 years. Having developed a substantial track record of commitment and active participation in Public Affairs, I would like to put my capabilities to work in furthering a cause I deeply believe in. I think that through my extensive travels in Asia and Africa, and through my participation in several NGO meetings and initiatives, I have gleaned important insights on how our Movement could be more effective yet in being a vocal force whose impact can be felt in communities. In particular, I would want to help link our Movement by enhancing our links with sports, education and cultural activities carried out in local communities or by other organizations. My belief is that we can help further our cause by a judicious set of business and civic partners, with which we can work to our mutual benefit.

In terms of my credentials, my training as a Lawyer and Political Scientist helps me appreciate the complexity of today's international environment, and of the potential for the Scout Movement's impact in the "expanded civil society". Having worked with Transnational Corporations, I have been well versed in the organizational challenges facing a global network and having served on corporate and industry association boards has further sharpened my managerial and communication skills. My experience in working with national and international authorities, professional associations and NGOs in several countries; my strong track record in fund-raising for a wide set of events; and my global skills and aperture (I am trilingual: Greek, English and French) provide a solid base to build on. But, most of all, I think I would have the ethos and enthusiasm to be an effective member of the World Scout Committee.

Alexandros Modiano



Mr. Nkwenkwe **Nkomo**

South Africa

Aged 53. Married. Two children. Joined Scouting in 1959 as a Cub Scout. Was assistant Scouter, assistant Chief Scout South Africa (1991-1996), Chief Scout South Africa (1996-2005), member of Africa Scout Regional Committee (1998-2004) and Vice-Chairman (2001-2004). Was Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Africa Regional Southern Zone (1998-2003). Member of the Africa Scout Foundation Committee since 2004.

Attended three World Scout Conferences since 1996 (Oslo, Durban and Thessaloniki), all Africa Regional Scout Conferences since 1991, all Southern Zone Conferences since 1993.

Executive Group Deputy Chairman of FCB South Africa, non-executive Chairman of Saseka and Four Degrees, Board member and Director of the Association for Communication and Advertising, Advertising standards authority. Founder member of the anti-corruption commission.

**Text of motivation**

We believe we can play a role in enhancing the image of WOSM as the premiere youth involvement in the world, as a marketing communications practitioner.

We relish the challenge of taking Scouting back to its owners, the youth and their communities, with less bureaucracy and more facilitation and this can be expedited through the World Scout Committee of WOSM.

Finally we hope to leverage our involvement in the World Scout Committee for the benefit of Scouting in Africa, through fostering salutary partnerships with the African Union, Pan-African Parliament, NEPAD and other structures in the wake of the African Renaissance.

Nkwenkwe Nkomo



Mrs. Nozima **Nurmukhamedova**

Tajikistan

Aged 27. Married. Currently, National Secretary of the Scout Association of Tajikistan and Vice-Chairman of the Eurasia Regional Scout Committee.

Attended the seminar on "Scout Section" (Krasnokamenka 2003), Eurasia Regional Seminar "Building Reliable National Scout Associations in Eurasia" and 2nd Eurasia Regional Scout Conference (Azerbaijan 2004), 12th World Scout Moot (Taiwan 2004).

BS in World Economics, Technological University of Tajikistan. MA in Political Science, Hyderabad Central University, India. Currently, working at the Embassy of Japan in Tajikistan, Secretary on Economic Cooperation, supervision of the Japanese official Development Assistance, implementation of Community Development projects, supervision and implementation of cultural grant assistance. Served in International Organizations (ICRC and World Bank in Tajikistan).

#### **Text of motivation**

Tajikistan is a post-Soviet country, with an experience of civil war, turbulent peace process and inevitable poverty diffusion. One of bitter consequences of the war is street and refugee children and an overall degradation of the state of children in the society. A long border with Afghanistan has brought drugs and crime into Tajikistan, which has a strong negative impact on children in line with deterioration of the system of education, as well as society and family values. Our objective is to help the children to make their lifetime decisions to the benefit of themselves and the world. Our Scout Movement is helping those children that were left without attention and care. My personal objectives are to promote our work with girl Scouts who are historically more vulnerable in Muslim societies. We are here to build their confidence in future and make their voices heard by others.

Gender equality must not be on paper, it is about going into government institutions, schools, talking to children and adults and persuading people to take an act of change on every day basis in their families, neighbourhoods, schools, and society. I consider our Movement as a big family, which needs to grow and develop as one world without borders. Only family and joined hands can take action in extending social service via helping vulnerable strata of the population, including children refugees, disabled children and orphans. However, our mission is not possible without the help of the international community that strengthen our effort by new knowledge, right practice and funds. We appreciate this help and are ready to achieve more by diversification and expansion of our Scout programmes. I hope my nomination will make its own contribution in the achievement of our goals.

We do not just say that children are our future, we act to make our future a better world by helping our children to develop, grow and live a honourable life! Thank you.

Nozima Nurmukhamedova



Mr. Sutham **Phanthusak**

Thailand

Aged 58. Married. Three daughters. Held several positions in the National Scout Organization of Thailand and APR Scout Committee. Presently, International Commissioner since 2004; member of the National Scout Executive Board since 2004; Vice-Chairman of the APR Financial Resources Committee and Ex-Officio member of APR Scout Foundation Management Committee; Chairman, International Relations Sub-Committee, NSOT since 2004. Director of International Relations Department of the 25th APR Scout Jamboree Thailand 2005 and member of its Organizing Committee.

Attended all World Scout Conferences since 1988, three World Scout Jamborees since 1995, seven Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference since 1986, two APR Top Scout Leader's Summits in 1997 and 2003.

Bachelor degree in Political Science. Diploma in Accountancy. Board Chairman of Woodlands Resort Co., Ltd; Managing Director, Pattaya Sports Bazaar Co., Ltd; Director, Saha-Sophon Co., Ltd. Has held public offices in Pattaya City Council and Rotary Club. Past Advisor to Prime Minister of Thailand.

#### **Text of motivation**

I want to see the Scouting Movement applying Scouting values to foster youth development throughout our world. This should be done through the World Scout Committee after a consultative process has been put in place to listen to the needs of young Scouts. Young Scouts know what they want from Scouting, we need experienced Scouts to know how to make it happen. "Tell me what you want and I will do my utmost to make it reality."

I will use my knowledge in the business world to apply cost-saving programs to the Scouting organization. We should apply the new technologies and modern principles to reduce administrative costs for WOSM.

Let us meet the challenges of globalization. Rapid dissemination of information and transparency of operation are also high on my agenda. The balance between membership fees, the different National Scout Organizations and growth need stability and must be sustainable. This will require restructuring and rethinking to ensure an equitable division of resources. I am prepared to work for this. I am ready to continually contribute myself in Scouting Movement at the World Level with my full capacity to promote Scouting under the concept of "One World One Unity for the New Era of Enhancement".

Sutham Phanthusak



Mr. George **Purdy**

United Kingdom

Aged 63. Married. Two children. Joined Scouting at the age of 8 as Wolf Cub. Was a leader in all age Sections. Became Chief Commissioner in 1994 and Chief Scout for United Kingdom in 1996 until 2004. Currently, Vice-President of the UK Association and responsible for the training of Young Leaders aged 14-18 in his local Scout Group.

Led the Northern Ireland Contingent to the World Scout Jamboree in 1983 (Canada), helped organize the ground-breaking all-Ireland Jamborees. Attended almost 100 international camps including three World Scout Jamborees, three World Scout Conferences, seven Regional Scout Conferences and numerous other World Events.

Diploma of Administration Management. Was senior official in the Northern Ireland Civil Service until 1996, when he left to make time for his new commitments as Chief Scout. Most of his career was spent in organizational structure, policy and management matters. Acted in a consultancy capacity for several years and undertook several major organizational studies. Headed up a series of divisions including in the Northern Ireland Government's Computing Services. Spent time outside government setting up a representative body for the Ireland Software and Telecommunication Industry. His last post before leaving the Civil Service was as the Director for Social Security Policy and Legislation.

#### **Text of motivation**

I have been a Scout since the age of 8 years, and I believe that our Movement is a tremendous influence for good in the world. As we approach the beginning of our second century in 2007 we have a unique opportunity to build on our past achievements. We can bring the joy of Scouting to countless new generations of young people. We can also tell the world at large about the aims, the values, the successes and the plans for the future of our Movement.

As a candidate for the World Scout Committee I have up to date Scouting experience across all age groups locally, nationally and internationally. In my previous role as Chief Scout I have led the UK through a period of fundamental change and have been a Vice-Chairman of the World 2007 Task Force. Currently as a Vice-President and a local Leader I am experiencing both the policy and the practice of Scouting in the U.K. My professional background of Organisational Structure, Policy and Management will also be of assistance on the World Scout Committee.

The World Scout Committee has the vital task of making sure that Scouting around the world continues to meet the needs of young people. I am committed to playing a full part in this work. I believe that I can help World Scouting to meet the organisational challenges we face today. I believe also that we can use 2007 as a launching pad for our second century, to provide better Scouting for more young people and as a means of bringing the message and hope of Scouting to those outside of our great Movement.

George Purdy



Mr. Anthony **Thng** Bock Boh

Singapore

Aged 61. Married. One child. Held several positions from Cub Scout Leader, District Commissioner to Adult Leaders' Trainer, member of APR Scout Committee and Chairman (2001-2004), Consultant since 2005. Current, International Commissioner since 1996; Regional Secretary of ICCS Asia-Pacific Region; Information Secretary, Singapore Scout Guild. Adviser to 25th APR Scout Jamboree Thailand 2005. Editor of Scout publications.

Attended three World Scout Conferences in Munich (head of delegation), Melbourne and Bangkok, six Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conferences since 1974. Was contingent leader to 6th Nippon Jamboree (1974) and attended courses and seminars for Adult Leaders, Community Development and Public Relations.

School Certificate and Certificate-in-Education (Teachers' Training College). Held several public offices: Charter President, Rotary Club of Singapore South, President and Board member, Christian Brothers' Old Boys (S) Association, Chairman, De La Salle School Management Council.

#### **Text of motivation**

I have great experiences and commitment in the Scout Movement. Started as a Unit Leader, I progressed to a District Commissioner, a Leader Trainer, National Commissioners, and concurrently in the Asia-Pacific Region, as a member of various sub committees, Chairman of Public Relations Sub Committee, two terms as a member of the APR Scout Committee, and retired as APR Chairman in December 2004. Now President of APR Scout Foundation and Consultant to the Asia-Pacific Region.

As Chairman of the Region, I was privileged to attend the meetings of the World Scout Committee thereby, learning and experiencing Scouting worldwide. In turn, I was able to share and contribute ideas and experiences that I acquired from the Region.

I have an intimate knowledge of the Scout Movement and have a passion and strong desire to work with young people of different nationalities. This is evident from my involvement with other youth groups in schools and in Rotary.

I have very good support from the Asia-Pacific Region and other regions during my terms of leadership. I held various key Scout appointments both in Singapore and in the Region during the past years. I am not only a good planner and 'hands on' in the execution of my duties and responsibilities but I also give a 100 percent commitment.

I am a strong supporter of Scouts with special needs, both physical and mental disabilities and financial needs. I am an adviser to a group of Scouts who have cerebral palsy and a member of the Scout foundation in Asia-Pacific, Africa and Friends of Scouting in Europe.

I will be a productive member and an asset for the World Scout Committee as I am well equipped and have the experience and commitment to meet the challenges of today's youth. I believe I have fulfilled all the requirements as stated in the guidelines.

Anthony Thng Bock Boh



Mr. Gualtiero **Zanolini**

Italy

Aged 53. Married. One child. Joined the Scout Movement in 1963. Currently a member of the World Scout Committee, to which he was elected in 2002 for a three year term. Has been successively group leader, district leader, International Commissioner and member of the Central Committee of AGESCI, International Commissioner and President of the Italian Scout Federation (FIS). Was Secretary General of the International Catholic Conference of Scouting (1991-1996). Sponsor of the workstream on youth involvement and other issues related to young people (2000-2003). Represented FIS on the Italian National Youth Council and in that capacity participated in World Youth Forums and numerous multilateral meetings dealing with youth people.

Participated in seven World Scout Conferences since 1984; in three European Scout Conferences in Assisi, Ofir and Larnaca; in two Interamerican Scout Conferences at Cartagena and Cochabamba; in the Euro-Arab Scout Meeting (1984, Hammamet). Helped organize Eurofolk in Italy.

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### **Text of motivation**

During the past three years, I have served on the World Scout Committee with great interest, enthusiasm and passion. I thank everyone who voted for me in Thessaloniki and who made this experience possible.

In the many issues addressed, I think I have made a positive contribution to the movement.

The world strategy needs to be developed further to become an effective tool for the national Scout organizations.

The defined priorities need to be expanded, disseminated more thoroughly and adapted to the requirements of every association.

The decline in membership that we are witnessing in some regions and some age brackets requires intervention in terms of the quality of the educational programmes and the image of Scouting among young people and in society.

Cooperation with international and local institutions, and with large religious bodies of different denominations, has to be pursued more effectively to ensure that they grasp the potential of Scouting and offer it real support.

In a world that is torn apart, despite being "globalized", the Scout movement can and must help build peace by involving young people.

Those are the main concerns and subjects to which I have been committed during these past three years in office.

Following the example of the Italian Scout Federation, I invite the World Scout Conference to place its trust in me again and to allow me to continue with this difficult and fascinating work serving World Scouting.

Gualtiero Zanolini



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