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Launching of the World Scouting Report "Youth, A Force for Development"

The World Organization of the Scout Movement WOSM has released the first World Scouting Report, with a focus on **Youth: A Force For Development**. This report will be launched by the Vice President of Kenya, Hon. Moody Awori on 11th October at 10.00 am at Rowallan Scout Camp, opposite Gate E Jamhuri Park.

A media briefing is scheduled on 9th October at Silver Springs Hotel from 6.00pm to elaborate on the Report. We will be honoured to have your presence in this briefing, to help us in creating the debate, which seeks to explore the challenges facing young people today, and to seek appropriate interventions. A group of Scouts of different generations will form a panel to brief the media on the role that Scouting is playing in addressing youth challenges.

The Report triggers debate on the role of youth in facing prevailing challenges such as environmental management, globalisation, poverty, social exclusion, conflict, access to education, health, safety, employment, gender balance, youth involvement and spiritual development, among others. It accounts on how the Scout Movement has been contributing solutions to the above issues, through its unique non-formal co-educational approach. Promising practices of how young people are making a difference in their own lives, through Scouting are also carried in this Report, drawn from, Africa -including Kenya- and the rest of the world.

By empowering the young people to originate home grown solutions to their own challenges, the Scout Movement has for one hundred years now, continued to offer young people a framework to analyse issues, and to translate their needs and aspirations into ever-changing political and socio-economic scenarios, while adapting to local and national realities

"Through analysing the issues affecting youth, by thinking ahead as to how to provide appropriate educational proposals, and by discussing these openly with its partners, Scouting seeks to define a fair alternative" says Dr Eduardo Missoni, the Secretary General of WOSM.

There are more than 28 million scouts in 215 countries and territories. Scouting is an educational movement, open to all, which aims to help young people develop to their full potential as human beings. It pursues this objective through a carefully designed and constantly improved method. Scouting builds on a value system which encourages the combined development of autonomy and responsibility within a clear ethical and spiritual framework.

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