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Message from the Chairman of the World Scout Committee to all volunteers in the Movement

"Your expertise and commitment guarantee our growth"

Dear Scout Leaders, Dear Friends,

Your volunteerism is the catalyst that transforms the values of the Scout Movement into a reality. Thanks to you, the significance of these fundamental values is exemplified by the tenets of your service, responsibility, solidarity and involvement.

While in the midst of a global financial crisis, we see your steadfast support as a sign of good health. Our social assets are built upon your contributions to the future development of the young people around the world.

Our Movement has been able to serve millions of young people by offering them exciting programs, empowerment and self-development. If our Movement is recognized as a major participant in the non-formal education of young people, it is without a doubt thanks to millions of you, who believe in its vision and make it come to life.

Your unwavering dedication to all levels of our organization - from the local Scout groups, districts, NSOs to the world stage - is invaluable.

On behalf of World Scouting, I thank you for your enthusiasm, the skills that you offer and for the quality of an educational experience. They are our only assurance of continued growth.

Rick Cronk

Chairman

World Scout Committee

Additional tool to support volunteers :

A special International Volunteer Day e-card is available to send from our web site to all your volunteer friends, both in Scouting and in the wider community. http://bit.ly/ecards_WOSM_2009

A new section, [Adults in Scouting](#), has been created on the web-sites to help you find news and resources related to volunteering.

A forum has been set up for you to express your views on the concept of volunteering. [This forum is available in English here](#) and [in French here](#).