

# World Scientific Congress Report

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### Education And World Scout Movement: Experiences And Challenges

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One hundred years after its founding, the World Organization of the Scout Movement decided to examine its practices, methods and pedagogy. A Scientific Congress was planned within the framework of the centennial celebrations and took place in Geneva, on 16 and 17 November 2007.

This document aims to give a first glimpse of the Congress before the 'Proceedings' are published.

Whilst the 'Proceedings' will be published at a later stage, the information here serves to illustrate the rich exchanges which took place during the Congress. As intended by the Committee, each participant was able to exchange opinions and projects with others. It is hoped that certain academic studies, related to Scouting in a specific country, will lead to a call for further research, which will in turn benefit Scouting at national level.

It is also hoped that national Scout leaders responsible for the youth programme or adult training will be able to draw out answers to some of the current questions: how can Scouting respond to the gender issue?, how can Scouting prepare young people for employment?, how does Scouting contribute to the building of citizens who take an active role in sustainable development?, etc.

It is now for every National Scout Organization or every local group to take on the work of this Congress as a good practice of Scouting in the world.

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