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**GOVERNANCE OF THE WORLD ORGANIZATION OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT (WOSM)**  
**Meetings 15-17 February 2008**  
**Paris, France**

**NOTE OF INFORMATION**

**1. BACKGROUND**

As earlier announced through Circular 39/07 of December 2007, the World Scout Committee (WSC) has decided to organise a series of meetings on the governance of WOSM from **15 to 17 February 2008 in Paris, France.**



**YOUR QUICK GUIDE TO REGISTERING:**

*Complete the attached registration form. This includes the accommodation booking request as well as arrival and departure information. **Send it to the World Scout Bureau.***

**2. PURPOSE OF THE GATHERING**

The purpose of this gathering, which is open to all NSOs that have concerns about recent events, is to help resolve outstanding issues, build a broad consensus and develop perspectives for future actions up to the World Scout Conference in Korea this July and beyond, particularly in the area of governance.

It will be an opportunity to ensure that there is common level of knowledge of past events and of the present situation, and for NSOs who wish to do so, to express their views and feelings about these events.

It will also be an opportunity to explore the proposals of the Governance Review Task Force, develop inputs for the WSC's consideration of these proposals, and identify other proposals that may be forthcoming.

**3. LOCATION**

The meetings will be held at the Castle of Jambville, the activity and training centre of the Scouts and Guides of France who have kindly offered the use of their facilities at short notice, and at an acceptable cost. Lunches and dinners will be eaten on site.

The Castle of Jambville is located in the village of Jambville in the French Department of Yvelines, 56 km northwest of Paris, in the heart of Vexin National Park.

More information about Jambville can be found at

[http://jambville.sgdf.fr/IMG/pdf/jambville\\_leaflet\\_en.pdf](http://jambville.sgdf.fr/IMG/pdf/jambville_leaflet_en.pdf)

**4. PROGRAMME**

The programme will commence on Friday 15 February with a lunch at Jambville Castle.

It will be followed by the first plenary session during which the recent events will be reviewed in a chronological and objective manner. This session will provide the opportunity for questions and answers.

After a break, there will opportunity for bilateral meetings between interested parties followed by a plenary session.

This will be followed by dinner in the Castle.

Saturday 16 February will start with a plenary session on the World Scout Conference with an overview of the event's content, presenting the working methods and approach which will be taken for the Conference. Within the general context of the Strategy for Scouting, a progress report will be presented on the priorities of Membership Development and Registration Fees.

After a break, there will be a presentation of the work of the Governance Review Task Force (GRTF), followed by a questions and answers session until lunch time.

The whole afternoon will be dedicated to discussion groups based on sections of the GRTF report and on its recommendations.

On Saturday night, participants will enjoy a festive dinner and Scout entertainment provided by the Scouts and Guides of France.

Sunday 17 February will start with a time of Spiritual Reflection which will be followed by an open session.

After a short break, the final plenary session will be held to draw conclusions, affirm consensus and agree on inputs for the WSC meeting to be held at the end of February.

This session will end with a lunch, after which participants will be free to leave Jambville.

As the purpose of this gathering is to build consensus and provide input for the WSC meeting, there is no expectation this final session will end with declarations or decisions.

	Thursday 14	Friday 15	Saturday 16	Sunday 17
Morning 1		<i>WSC Steering Committee Expanded Steering Committee</i>	Plenary session World Conference and priorities	Spiritual reflection Open session
Morning 2		<i>WSC Bilateral meetings</i>	Governance Update on the GRTF	Conclusion in Plenary session
		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Afternoon 1		Plenary session Review of recent events - Q/A	Discussion groups on Governance	
Afternoon 2	<i>WSC Steering Committee</i>	Bilateral meetings Plenary session	Discussion groups on Governance Plenary session	
Evening	<i>Dinner</i>	Dinner	Festive dinner – Scout entertainment	

## 5. ACCOMMODATION

- Accommodation will be provided at Jambville Castle. It is typical of that which can be found in a Scout centre. There are very few single rooms (7). Most of the rooms (34) contain two-bunk-beds (i.e. 4 beds) but will only be allocated to two people. All other rooms are dormitory style of different sizes. We will however only fill each room to 50% capacity (i.e. if a room contains 10 beds, only 5 people will be allocated to it). Rooms will be assigned upon arrival.

The cost of this accommodation is included in the meeting fee.

- Alternative accommodation is available at the three star (3★) Hotel Novotel in Poissy-Orgeval, a 30 minute drive from Jambville. A shuttle service will carry people between the Novotel and Jambville in the morning and evening.

Please note that if you choose to stay outside Jambville, the cost of accommodation is not covered by the meeting fee.

Cost of accommodation per room at the Novotel (to be paid directly by participants to the hotel) is as follows:

- Euros 109 for the night of Thursday 14 February
- Euros 89 per night for the nights of Friday 15 and Saturday 16 February
- Euros 119 for the night of Sunday 17 February.

Please note that breakfast is not included, and is an extra cost of Euros 13.20 per person per day.

More information on the Novotel can be found at

[http://www.novotel.com/novotel/fichehotel/fr/nov/0390/fiche\\_hotel.shtml](http://www.novotel.com/novotel/fichehotel/fr/nov/0390/fiche_hotel.shtml)

Please book your accommodation using the attached form.

## 6. TRANSPORTATION

Attached is a map showing how to reach Jambville by train or by car.

Participants arriving by plane should arrive at Roissy-Charles De Gaulle Airport (Paris) which is a fifty minute drive from Jambville. A return shuttle service running between Roissy-Charles De Gaulle and Jambville has been organised by our hosts, and will be available to all participants, provided that clear indications of flight numbers and arrival and departure times are provided in advance. Please use the attached attendance form for this purpose.

## 7. MEETING FEE

A contribution to the costs of the meeting will be asked from participants in the form of a meeting fee.

- Participants choosing to stay at Jambville Castle will be charged with a meeting fee of:
  - Euros 300 if they arrive on Thursday 14 in the afternoon and leave after lunch on Sunday 17
  - Euros 270 if they arrive on Friday 15 in the morning and leave after lunch on Sunday 17

Additional meals and/or nights will be at an extra cost.

This fee covers accommodation, lunches, dinners, coffee breaks, meeting facilities with translation, all documentation, and transport from Roissy-Charles de Gaulle Airport (Paris) to Jambville and back.

- Participants choosing to be stay outside Jambville Castle will be charged with a meeting fee of:
  - Euros 160 if they arrive on Thursday 14 in the afternoon and leave after lunch on Sunday 17 February
  - Euros 145 if they arrive on Friday 15 in the morning and leave after lunch on Sunday 17 February

The fee covers lunches, dinners, coffee breaks, meeting facilities with translation, all documentation, and transport from Roissy-Charles de Gaulle Airport (Paris) to the hotels and back, and to and from Jambville Castle.

The meeting fee can be paid in Euros, preferably by bank transfer to the following address:

*Account holder's name :* Bureau Mondial du Scoutisme  
*Bank :* UBS SA  
*Account n°:* 240-396337.63Y  
*Clearing n°:* 240  
*Swift / Bic :* UBSWCHZH80A  
*IBAN :* CH35 0024 0240 3963 3763Y

or alternatively, in cash, upon arrival.

## 8. ACCOMPANYING PERSONS' PROGRAMME

There will be no accompanying persons' programme.

## 9. VISAS

Citizens of many countries require a visa to enter France which is in the Schengen area. Please contact the nearest French diplomatic representation to establish if you need a visa or not.

Francophones can visit:

[http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/entrer-france\\_4063/index.html](http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/entrer-france_4063/index.html)

Anglophones can visit: [http://www.learn4good.com/travel/fr\\_visas.htm#req](http://www.learn4good.com/travel/fr_visas.htm#req) or [http://www.justlanded.com/english/france/tools/just\\_landed\\_guide/visas\\_permits/visas](http://www.justlanded.com/english/france/tools/just_landed_guide/visas_permits/visas)

If you need an invitation letter in order to get a visa, please contact

Christian Larcher, International Commissioner, Scoutisme Français  
Tel: +33 1 43 37 03 57 – email: [info@scoutisme.fr](mailto:info@scoutisme.fr)

## 10. USEFUL INFORMATION

Numerous websites provide interesting information on France for visitors. We recommend checking the following websites:

<http://www.francetourism.com/>

<http://www.lonelyplanet.com/destinations/>

<http://travel.excite.com/>

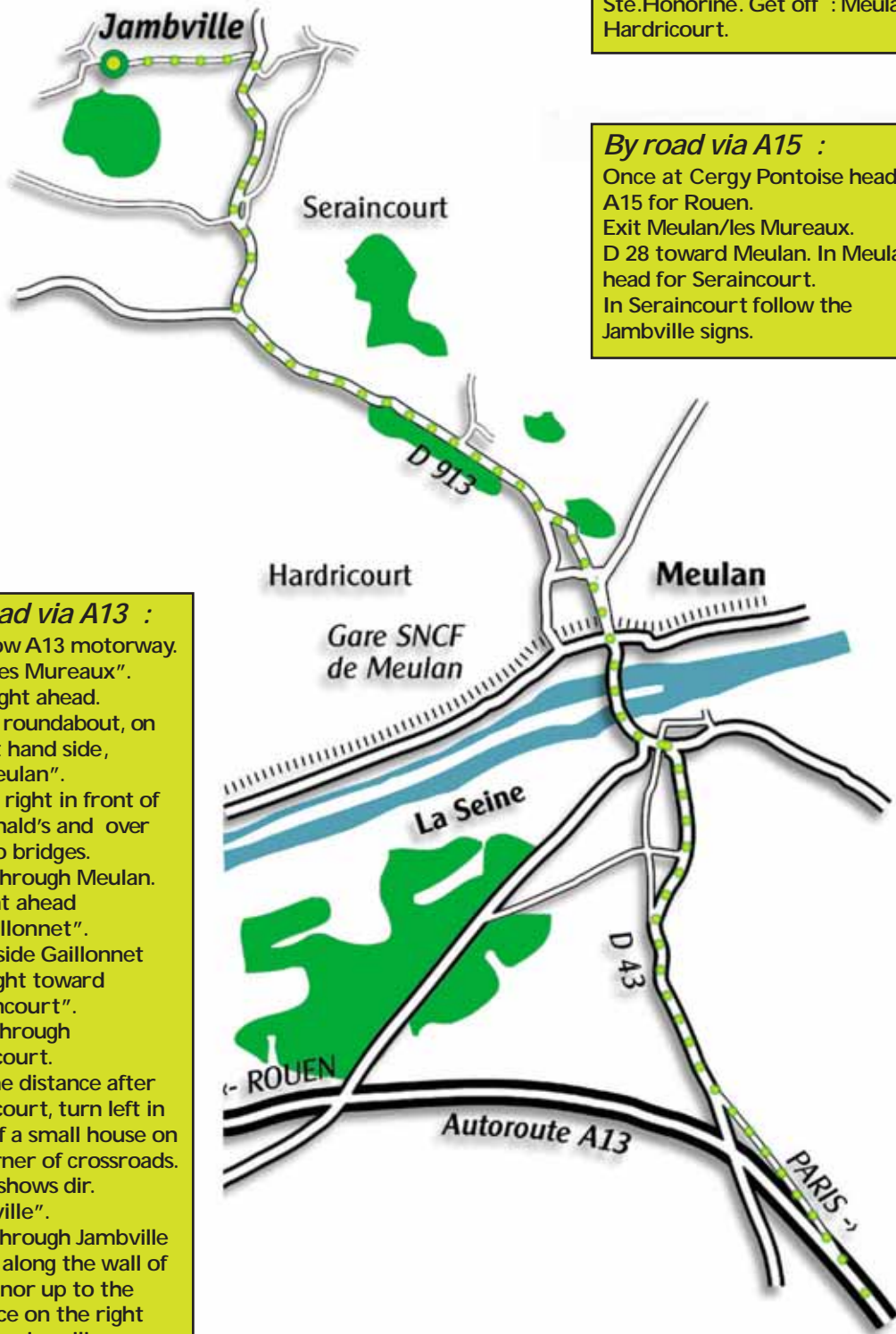
The official currency of France is the Euro. For calculating conversion rates between currencies, try: <http://www.oanda.com>

**What to Bring?**

- A Scout uniform should be worn as often as possible, as this is a Scout event, and it helps promote the spirit of Scouting.
- It is winter in France in February so it may be quite cold. We therefore advise you bring warm clothes with you.

**11. SOLIDARITY**

We strongly encourage NSOs which are able to do so to provide financial assistance on a bilateral basis to less-privileged NSOs which may otherwise not be able to participate in these meetings.



**By train :**  
 From Paris Gare St.Lazare,  
 dir. Mantes- la -Jolie via Conflans  
 Ste.Honorine. Get off : Meulan  
 Hardricourt.

**By road via A15 :**  
 Once at Cergy Pontoise head on  
 A15 for Rouen.  
 Exit Meulan/les Mureaux.  
 D 28 toward Meulan. In Meulan  
 head for Seraincourt.  
 In Seraincourt follow the  
 Jambville signs.

**By road via A13 :**

- 1- Follow A13 motorway. Exit "Les Mureaux".
- 2- Straight ahead.
- 3- Last roundabout, on the left hand side, dir. "Meulan".
- 4- Turn right in front of Mc.Donald's and over the two bridges.
- 5- Go through Meulan. Straight ahead to "Gaillonnet".
- 6- Outside Gaillonnet turn right toward "Seraincourt".
- 7- Go through Seraincourt.
- 8- Some distance after Seraincourt, turn left in front of a small house on the corner of crossroads. A sign shows dir. "Jambville".
- 9- Go through Jambville village, along the wall of the manor up to the entrance on the right of the main railings.