



# WORLDINFO

*News for Key Leaders in Scouting*

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## 1. Policy on payment of registration fees - Provisional suspension of Membership

At its meeting on 31 March 2007, the World Scout Committee carefully considered the situation of the 9 (nine) Member Organizations which still had registration fee arrears at the date of the meeting. Following this examination, the World Scout Committee could only conclude that:

- in fairness to all NSOs which are paying their fees regularly (in sometimes very adverse internal conditions for several of them),
- in fairness to other NSOs which have had arrears and to which the World Scout Committee has consistently applied the Policy on payment of registration fee since its adoption in 1996,

it had no alternative but to reconfirm the full application of the provisions of the Policy on payment of registration fees to these 9 (nine) Member Organizations.

Since the time of writing Circular No. 16/2007 dated May 2007, this number has been reduced to 4 (four), which are therefore provisionally suspended of membership with WOSM with full application of the sanctions as from 1 April 2007. These are: Argentina, Morocco, Palestinian Scout Association and Senegal.

This suspension will be automatically revoked as soon as the payment of the totality of their respective arrears is received.

We are happy to report that the number of NSOs being left with arrears with WOSM, in the middle of a fiscal year, is the lowest recorded for many years.

You are reminded that, as a consequence of provisional suspension with full application of the sanctions, Member Organizations concerned lose the right:

-to participate and vote in the 2007 forthcoming Regional Scout Conferences and other regional

events, insofar as the Constitution of a Regional Scout Organization requires its members to be members in good standing of WOSM

- to have individual members of the suspended Member Organization join committees or stand for election at the 2007 forthcoming Regional Scout Conferences in any organs of WOSM

- to have youth members participate in world or regional events under the auspices of WOSM taking place more than 12 months after the date of suspension (1 April 2007) i.e. events taking place after 1 April 2008

- to participate in seminars, training sessions, meetings and other activities organised by the World Scout Bureau

- to have proposals for projects or other financial support reviewed and endorsed by the World Scout Bureau

You are invited to read carefully and entirely the document "Policy concerning Payment of Registrations Fees" (since it clarifies a number of questions relating to the application of its policy and more particularly to its sanctions), attached to Circular N° 39/2006.

Bearing in mind that certain suspended Member Organizations may have been victim of circumstances beyond their control, which make it impossible for them to pay their fees, the World Scout Committee has requested the Secretary General and the World Scout Bureau examine means and ways to assist these Member Organizations in paying their arrears... provided these Organizations ask us to do so and are ready to share the necessary efforts to find a solution to their situation.

In this spirit, any Member Organization wishing to help one or several of the suspended Member Organizations to recover their full rights (through any possible scheme: direct payment of fees, twinning of a particular Organization, etc.), are asked to contact Secretary General, Eduardo Missoni.

It is the sincere hope of all that those Member Organizations concerned will be very soon have their full rights and obligations reinstated as full Members of WOSM.

This circular is available online at:

[http://www.scout.org/circulars2007/circular\\_n\\_16\\_may\\_2007](http://www.scout.org/circulars2007/circular_n_16_may_2007)

## 2. 50th JOTA - 11th JOTI - 2006 JOTA/JOTI Report

It is a pleasure to announce that the Golden Jubilee 50th Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) and the 11th Jamboree On The Internet will be held over the weekend of the 19, 20 and 21 October 2007.

Circular No 17/2007 has been sent in the recent Scoutpak and includes extensive and detailed information about the event and how you can take part. It is also available for download at

[http://www.scout.org/circulars2007/circular\\_n\\_17\\_april\\_2007](http://www.scout.org/circulars2007/circular_n_17_april_2007)

Please distribute this information to all the Scout groups in your country so they can have the chance to take part. Additional information is also available at [www.joti.org](http://www.joti.org)

The 2006 JOTA/JOTI Report is also now available and can be downloaded from

<http://www.scout.org/en/content/download/7440/67623/file/WJR06.pdf>

### **3. The Strategy for Scouting**

World Scouting shares a common task: to learn from the achievements or shortcomings of the Strategy for Scouting. It is a common challenge to learn together and to ask ourselves how well we have done, how far we have come, and which areas need improvement. To enable us to gather information, analyse it and get a coherent and valid picture of the implementations and outcomes of the Strategy, different levels of coordination will be needed. The World Scout Conference in Korea 2008 is our joint deadline for information sharing, reporting and thinking about the impact and development of the Strategy for Scouting.

Given this joint venture, the World Scout Bureau (WSB) is pleased to present to you the first of a series of "Strategy Papers", that intend to keep you updated on developments in the Strategy for Scouting and share with you some technical guidance on the matter. This first paper focuses on:

"Monitoring and Evaluating (M&E) the performance of the Strategy for Scouting" (click to download).

The WSB, in an effort to make the M&E achievable, efficient and less resource consuming, has put together this first document that provides a general overview of the M&E levels and Objectives to be assessed. We are working as well on the key indicators that could be used to measure progress at the following levels:

- National Scout Organization (NSO) level;
- World Scout Committee (WSC) and World Scout Bureau (WSB) level.

These will be shared with NSOs shortly.

As the World Scout Conference aims to share and exchange information to improve the future plans and initiatives on the Strategy performance, we encourage you to develop structured M&E activities.

For further information, please contact Lucrecia Peinado at [lpeinado@scout.org](mailto:lpeinado@scout.org) or by telephone at +41 22 705 10 28. To read this Circular in full, go to:

[http://www.scout.org/circulars2007/circular\\_n\\_18\\_may\\_2007](http://www.scout.org/circulars2007/circular_n_18_may_2007)

### **4. 38th World Scout Conference 2008, Republic of Korea - Call for Agenda Subjects**

In accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of the World Organization (By-Law I Section 2), the World Scout Committee invites Member Organizations to propose subjects for inclusion in the agenda of the 38th World Scout Conference 2008, Republic of Korea.

The World Scout Committee has decided that the Conference will focus on the Strategy for Scouting with the motto "Creating a better world".

The Conference will be the occasion to report on the progress achieved so far in the implementation of the seven Strategic Priorities, and how they have been integrated into, and have impacted, the Centenary of Scouting in 2007.

The Conference will also decide how the work on the Strategy and on Governance will be pursued during the next triennium 2008-2011. The purpose is to help National Scout Organizations to meet the challenges they are facing in the achievement of the Mission, and to determine the specific role of the World Organization (including its Regions) in the process.

National Scout Organizations wishing to propose subjects for inclusion in the agenda of the 38th World Scout Conference should advise the World Scout Bureau by 15 August 2007.

As was mentioned in Circular N° 11/2007, further information on the programme of the Conference, and the working methods to be used to deal with the items on the agenda, will be communicated shortly.

To read this Circular in full, go to:

[http://www.scout.org/circulars2007/circular\\_n\\_19\\_june\\_2007](http://www.scout.org/circulars2007/circular_n_19_june_2007)

### **5. International Letter of Introduction**

The International Letter of Introduction is recognised by Member Organizations as the standard form of introduction of a Scout or leader when travelling abroad.

The letter's sole purpose is to establish the identity of the bearer, and to entitle him or her to be welcomed as a member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. It conveys no special privileges, including any entitlement to hospitality.

The standard forms are supplied free of charge by the World Scout Bureau to Member Organizations. International Letters of Introduction should normally be issued by the International Commissioner, or another authorised headquarters official, only to members travelling abroad.

In the past, there have been occasions where individuals have claimed to be Scouts as a cover for criminal activity. There are however many genuine Scouts and leaders travelling abroad each year without being in possession of the letter. To avoid any problem of identifying an individual as a member of the Movement, National Scout Organizations are asked to ensure that they provide every Scout or leader with the document before they leave home. (In the case of parties of Scouts only one letter needs be issued to the group.)

To order some of these letters, please contact the World Scout Bureau on

worldbureau@scout.org or +41 22 705 10 10.

## **6. Thailand hosts the APR Scouts of the World Award seminar**

With 12 National Scout Organizations represented by 42 Scout leaders, the Scout Association of Thailand efficiently hosted the first Regional Scouts of the World Award seminar. The seminar was held from the 28th May to the 31st May 2007 in the National Training Centre of the National Scout Organization of Thailand –Vajiravudh Scout Camp.

This four-day seminar was designed for programme developers or members of the National Programme Committee, for the Rover Section. The seminar was also an opportunity for participants to discuss the promising practices on the implementation of the Scouts of the World Award.

The aim of the seminar was to gather key Scout leaders from National Scout Organizations in the Asia-Pacific Region and share with them the technical process of developing the Scouts of the World Award and revitalise the programme for Senior Scouts and Rover Sections (15-26 age range) for effective implementation towards the continuous growth of Scouting.

Participants had the opportunity to learn about and share: the implementation of Scouts of the World Award within the Rover section, the Scouts of the World Discovery, Scouts of the World Voluntary Service, Scouts of the World Bases, Scouts of the World Network, Scouts of the World Partnership, and Support structures.

The training team comprised of APR Programme Sub-Committee Chairman Mari Nakano as Chairman of the Seminar together with Julie Creed (National Programme Commissioner from Australia), Syd Castillo (Programme Director WSB-AP Office) and Andres Morales (Unit Manager, Adolescents & Young Adults, World Scout Bureau). Giving support to the Forum were Regional Chairman Eric Khoo and Regional Director Abdullah Rasheed.

This seminar is part of the worldwide plan to implement the Scouts of the World Award. Other Regions are strongly encouraged to

organise similar events and initiatives. For more information, please contact Andres Morales on amorales@scout.org or +41 22 705 10 47.

## **7. Job Opportunities**

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANT - World Scout Bureau Central Office**

Location: Geneva, Switzerland

Duration: 18 Months Maximum

Required start date: 1 October 2007

This is a full time position.

An internship position assisting the Director, Information Technology in all aspects of development and maintenance of the computer and network services provided throughout the offices of the World Scout Bureau, including user support to employees and key volunteers.

Opportunity for a young PC and IT services technician or equivalent with some experience of working in a mixed operating system environment, particularly working with Linux/BSD or similar open source systems.

Preferred age range 18-23 years old. Fluent in both spoken and written English or in French with excellent command of English. Other language(s) desirable.

Closing date for applications: 14 July 2007 For more information please visit

[http://www.scout.org/en/our\\_organisation/job\\_opportunities/internships/information\\_technology\\_assistant](http://www.scout.org/en/our_organisation/job_opportunities/internships/information_technology_assistant)

### **DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMME - Kandersteg International Scout Centre**

Location: Kandersteg, Switzerland

Duration: 36 months

Start Date: February 11th 2008

Applications by: August 31st 2007

This is a full time position.

Are you up for a big challenge? Think you manage a team of up to 20 international volunteers? Would you like to experience living in a small mountain village? Do you like to work 'hands on' and at the same time think strategically? Do you have experience in, or want to improve your skills in, mountaineering, skiing or climbing? Are you mad about Scouting or Guiding and do you want the chance to do something exceptional? Come and use your talents for World Scouting and be part of the management team of the oldest World Scout Centre (84 years)!

You will be a member of the Senior Management Team of the Kandersteg International Scout Centre. As Deputy Director (also called Programme Director) you are directly responsible for the management of the Programme Department and assist with executing the strategic development goals of the Centre, in both the short and long term, as set out by the KISC General Assembly and KISC Association Committee. The post requires a willingness to work according to a flexible schedule.



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Successful applicants will be invited for interviews in the period 21-23rd September 2007 in Kandersteg.

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