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Youth Advisors Elections



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NOTE

This document should be examined and discussed in your Organization and brought to the Forum by your delegation.

The personal information contained in the first part of the presentation of the candidates is based on the information communicated by the NSOs concerned. The texts of motivation in the second half are presented in their entirety.

ELECTION PROCEDURE

Elections will be held at the World Scout Youth Forum in Slovenia to elect six Youth Advisors for a period of three years (2014-2017). A Youth Advisor is not eligible for re-election.

Voting papers will be distributed to each delegation having voting rights at the Forum. Nothing may be entered on the voting paper except the number of votes cast for each candidate.

Voting will be by secret ballot. The number of votes cast in favour of each candidate will be announced.

Please refer to Document N° 2 - World Scout Youth Forum Guidelines - Section 8-e, Elections, in the Rules of Procedure.

LIST OF CANDIDATES

Mr. Montaser Hosny **Abdelmaged** (Egypt)
Mr. Luis Antonio **Aguayo Miranda** (Mexico)
Mr. J  r  my **Apert** (France)
Mr. Mohd Hafiz **Ariffin** (Malaysia)
Mr. Simon K  vin **Baskouda Shelley** (Cameroon)
Ms. Gabriela **Caballero Perdomo** (Honduras)
Ms. Fang Shiuan **Chang** (Scouts of China)
Mr. Miguel Angel **Cort  s Vega** (Colombia)
Ms. M  ire **Fitzgerald** (Ireland)
Mr. Shunsuke **Kasahara** (Japan)
Ms. Su Youn **Kim** (Republic of Korea)
Ms. Daiana **Neil** (Argentina)
Ms. Christina **Neilsen** (Australia)
Ms. Alexandra **Rudi** (Hungary)
Mr. Maeed Mohamed **Zahir** (Maldives)

Mr. Montaser Hosny Abdelmaged (Egypt)

Aged 23. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Local group board member (2003-2006 and 2008); District board member; Rover leader (2009-2010); Programme Commissioner (2011); Head of an aid convoy to Libyan borders (2011); Rovers Training Commissioner (2012-2014); Member of the Society Development Committee (2013); Head of the Society Development Committee (2014); Messengers of Peace national team member (2014); Initiator of the National Scout Youth Forum (2014). Has completed the Trainers' Training and is currently taking part to the Wood Badge Training.



Participation at international events: Delegate to the 11th World Scout Youth Forum and to the 39th World Scout Conference (Brazil 2011); Planning team member of the Arab Scout Jamboree (Egypt 2013); Delegate to the 2nd Arab Scout Youth Forum (Algeria 2013); Member of the planning team of the World Scout Jamboree (Japan 2015). // Represented WOSM at the UNESCO International Youth Conference on volunteering & dialogue (Saudi Arabia 2013); Represented the Arab Scout Region at the Euro-Arab Workshop on cultural exchange & interreligious dialogue (Finland 2012); International Youth Forum for Cultural Exchange (Egypt 2012-2013); Represented the Egyptian Scouts to the UNICEF Conference on Sports (Egypt 2012); Youth Exchange Programme with the Egyptian Ministry of Youth (India 2013); Arab-African Youth Forum on Environment (Egypt 2014).

Educational background and qualifications: Studying medicine at Cairo University; Participated to various conferences regarding public health, emergency medicine and psychology.

Professional activities: Sustained development trainer for AL-kora association; Researcher at the Medical Research Society of Cairo University.

Public offices: Associate researcher at 57357 Children's Cancer Hospital.

Membership in other organizations: "MINDS" association for entrepreneurship; "Resala association" for charity work; "Muslim youth association" for society development; "World youth alliance" and "International youth council" networks; Emergency action team of the Egyptian Red Crescent.

Languages spoken: Arabic, English, and basic knowledge of French.

Text of Motivation

Dear Fellow Scouts,

I believe in the values, principles and the active role that the Scout Movement plays in the development of youth and in the dynamic role of youth in developing the Movement to stay attractive in the future. I have been involved in my NSO at local, regional, international level and represented the Arab Region and WOSM at international events. This experience has given me knowledge of the decision-making processes and organizational development and I am sure I can use these skills as a youth advisor.

My background and participation in cultural exchange programmes and interreligious dialogue gave me an experience of the complexity of the world, taught me how to deal with people from different backgrounds and cultures, and how beneficiary it is for Scouting to work together across borders. Through my work leading joint projects with other NGOs and as a member in many other organizations, I have experienced how important it is to be in direct contact with young people, listen to their voices and to focus on their needs.

Youth Advisors need to focus on youth, mix their initiatives and positive contributions with experience to improve the Youth Forum to serve its purpose as an educational event, and to set new activities and increase youth empowerment and involvement in decision making at all levels. They should draw attention to new issues in society like entrepreneurship beside current issues and think about building partnerships with funding agents to increase the leading role of the WOSM in creating a better world.

I am eager to work and learn for the best of the Scout Movement, we live in one world and have the same vision. I will give my energy, experience and I will do my best towards the youth and Scouts around the world, we need to think global and act local. I hope you will entrust me with the position as youth advisor to the World Scout Committee.

Yours in Scouting,
Montaser Hosny

Mr. Luis Antonio Aguayo Miranda (Mexico)

Aged 21. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Active member since 1999; Planning team member at International Press and NSO Support at the 22nd World Scout Jamboree (Sweden 2011); Planning team/"Dream Team" member of the 24th World Scout Jamboree (2019); National Youth Network Coordinator (2013-2015).

Participation at international events: Participant at the International Peace Camp (Saudi Arabia 2011); Trainer of the Messengers of Peace workshop at JamCam (Colombia 2013); Staff for the World Scout Foundation's visit to Mexico (2013); Participant at the Interamerican Leadership Training (Texas 2014)

Educational background and qualifications: Student of International Business at the Technological Institute of Superior Studies of Monterrey (ITESM, Mexico); 603 TOEFL ITP Score Report; 4th semester of French language.

Professional activities: Best delegate of the Economic and Security Council, UN Model Simulation organized by ITESM (Chiapas, Mexico 2011); Team member of the Estate Youth Award for Community Service (Chiapas, Mexico 2011); Participant at the International Leadership Congress (Coahuila, Mexico 2012); President of the Student Federation of ITESM (Chiapas, Mexico 2012-2013); Winner of the National Business Model Innovation Competition "BusChallenge" (Monterrey, Mexico 2013); Participant at the International Business Plan Model Competition (Houston, Texas 2014); Planning team member at TEDx ITESMCHS (Chiapas, Mexico 2014).

Membership in other organizations: Student Association of Business Entrepreneurship.

Languages spoken: English, French and Spanish.



Text of Motivation

Being able to live the changes in youth involvement in my association has helped me realize the important role that we play in the decision-making process, not only for our associations but for making better Scouting in the future.

As National Youth Network Coordinator, I know the hard work and the impact of the results of our actions and decisions, strengthening year-by-year youth involvement at our National Youth Forums.

I have also learned, by planning international events such as the 22nd WSJ (2011) and the upcoming 24th WSJ (2019), that as a Youth member your contributions and ideas can help thousands of Scouts to enjoy a long period of hard and constant work, that's why it is important to take seriously each word and role given.

I understand that the role of an advisor is not to represent a specific country or region but to help increase youth participation in decision-making and strengthen youth involvement in our Movement. I also know that this is a long-term responsibility and a time consuming one, but I've learned to manage my responsibilities and time, and by summer of 2017 I still visualize myself in Scouting.

I am sure that the responsibility of a Youth Advisor is very important, challenging and demanding, but I also have to say that this won't be difficult to accomplish. I have the time and passion and I must assure that I will work hard to fulfill this responsibility. Because of the before mentioned, my experience and my willingness to make a better Movement worldwide I want to be part of the team, I'm prepared to be a Youth Advisor.

Luis Antonio Aguayo Miranda

Mr. Jérémy Apert (France)

Aged 24. Single.



Summary of Scout service: Joined Scouting at the age of 10; Leader for the age section 6-8 (2010); Scout Leader (2011-2012); Member of the international Service of *Scouts et Guides de France* (SGDF), as an external representative (2012-present); Member of the SGDF national international team, in charge of external relations and the promotion of the young adults' initiatives (Sept. 2013-present); External representative for the European Scout Region of WOSM in the European Youth Forum (Apr. 2012-present); WOSM representative at the World Conference on Youth (Sri Lanka May 2014); Member of the working group on External Relations and Funding of the European Scout Region (Jan. 2014-present): I am in charge of writing six Policy Papers and organizing an annual meeting of the "Big Six" Organizations.

Participation at international events: Roverway (Iceland 2009); International solidarity project in Burkina Faso during one month (Aug. 2010).

Educational background and qualifications: Double degree in Political Science and International Relations from the Institute of Political Studies of Lille (France) and the University of Kent (England). I will graduate from my master's degree in November this year.

Professional activities: One-month internship in the promotion of fair trade at the University of Kent (England); Two-month internship at the Communal Centre for Social Actions of the City of Vincennes (France); Three-month internship at the National Institute of Youth and Popular Education; Currently concluding a six-month internship where I am realizing a social business plan on behalf of an association, Aludéo, which organizes holidays for children and manages several recreation centres (France). I also worked in a factory, a supermarket, a forest and a café during my studies to earn money.

Languages spoken: English, French and German (limited professional proficiency).

Text of motivation

What particularly motivates me about the position of Youth Advisor is the opportunity to make the voice of the youth of our Movement heard at the world level. Indeed, Scouting has brought me a lot and continues to do so, through its willingness to give responsibilities to the youth of the Movement and to trust them to make decisions at all levels of our organization. Through this opportunity, I would like to further promote the strength of our Movement at the World Scout Committee.

I am fortunate to already have some international experience, thanks to Scouting, my studies and my passion for travel and intercultural exchanges, sources of learning which make me grow a little more each day. A global position would allow me to meet many people from all over the world and allow me to better understand cultural differences and work together to create a better world at our level.

I have been involved as a WOSM volunteer within the European Scout Region for over two years now. I work on external relations issues and have had many opportunities to represent WOSM in international organisations such as the European Youth Forum and the World Youth Conference on sustainable development issues in Sri Lanka May 2014. I have therefore acquired a sound experience in this field. One of the strategic priorities of the proposed 2023 Vision is the development of external relations at the global level, and I think I am well equipped to contribute modestly and also learn a lot from this experience. I am convinced that the Scouts are the leaders in the youth field and I would like to get involved as much as possible in achieving our new Vision. I love challenges and the role of Youth Advisor is one that I am very interested in.

Jérémy Apert

Mr. Mohd Hafiz Ariffin (Malaysia)

Aged 24. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Asia-Pacific Young Adult Members Group (2009-2012); Asia-Pacific Management Sub Committee Member (2009-2012); National Headquarters Commissioner for Rovers (2013-present); Assistant State Chief Commissioner (2013-present).

Educational background and qualifications: Bachelor of Technology Management (HONS).

Professional activities: Advising and working on youth policy and development.

Public offices: Assistant Director of the Strategic and Development Department of the Prime Minister's Office.

Membership in other organizations: Malaysia Youth Council; Perdana Fellowship Alumni Association.

Languages spoken: English and Bahasa Malaysia.



Text of Motivation

I offer myself to be one of the candidates for a Youth Advisor to the World Scout Committee because I would like to contribute to the young people around the world from my past experiences and involvement in Scouting. For what I am today, I owe it to the Scout Movement. I would like to inspire the youth so that they have the opportunity to be heard and to get involved in the process where they can contribute in creating a better world through Scouting. If I were elected as a Youth Advisor to the World Scout Committee this would be the best platform for me to realize these objectives and carry the inspirations of the young people.

Mohd Hafiz Ariffin

Mr. Simon Kévin Baskouda Shelley (Cameroon)

Aged 25. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Deputy unit leader of the local group "Retraite" - Vogt (2007); National coordinator of the Youth Forum (2013); Member of the national coordination team for Messengers of Peace (2013). Advanced training course: Wood Badge (Cameroon 2007).

Participation at international events: World Youth Festival (Seoul, South Korea 2002); International Gathering of Youth (Sharjah, United Arab Emirates 2010); 1st Youth Forum COSAC/MOP Training (Ambam, Cameroon 2013); ICCS/WOSM Seminar on "Spiritual and Religious Education" (Cotonou, Benin 2014).

Educational background and qualifications: Master of Arts in political and cultural history, University of Ngaoundere (Cameroon); Ph.D. candidate in political and cultural history, University of Ngaoundere.

Professional activities: Member of the service team for the international exhibit of corporations - PROMOTE 2011.

Membership in other organizations: Community Research and Development Centre (COREDEC).

Languages spoken: English and French.



Text of motivation

I have been a Scout for 15 years and I have benefited greatly from the Movement for the development of the social individual I have become. I am trying as a young adult to serve the cause of Scouting through my commitment to the Messengers of Peace and the Youth Forum both in Cameroon and my Region. Through my research work, I have also shown interest in issues related to youth and women, and their ability to act in society.

I firmly believe that youth involvement is fundamental, and can be increased within the decision-making bodies of WOSM. I am confident in our ability to reach out to allow a better understanding of Scouting. I firmly believe that we can have a significant impact on promoting peace in the world. I have great faith in our capacity to work for the protection of the environment.

I would be grateful if you could kindly, for the various above-mentioned reasons, consider my modest application for the position of Youth Advisor to the World Scout Committee.

Simon Kévin Baskouda Shelley

Ms. Gabriela Caballero Perdomo (Honduras)

Age 25. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Messengers of Peace national coordinator (currently); Member of the Messengers of Peace Interamerican Regional Coordination Team (currently); Team member for the development of the Interamerican Youth Involvement Policy (2013); Communicator (2010) and Coordinator (2011-2012) for the National Youth Network.

Participation at international events: UNFPA volunteer of the International Service Team during the 1st Jamboree and Camporee (Colombia 2013); International Service Team member (Camp in Camp area) during the 22nd World Scout Jamboree (Sweden 2011); Participant at the 13th World Scout Moot (Kenya 2010); Participant at the 21st World Scout Jamboree (United Kingdom 2007).

Educational background and qualifications: Political Science: good practices and governance in Iberoamerica, Universidad Internacional Melendez Pelayo (Madrid, Spain).

Professional activities: Policy of youth violence prevention through the arts, culture and communication in the Central Region; National policy of youth violence prevention.

Public offices: Armando Paz National Youth Forum (2011); Central American and Caribbean Summit of Heads of State and Presidents (Honduras 2011); Armando Paz Centralamerican Youth Forum (2012); Iberoamerican Summit of Heads of State and Presidents (Spain 2012); International Forum on Social Development and Investment in Youth for the post-2015 Development Agenda (Peru 2013).

Membership in other organizations: Organizacion Iberoamericana de la Juventud (OIJ); Juventud con Voz; Vanguardia Iberoamericana; Vanguardia Centroamericana & Caribe; Foro Permanente de Juventudes; Centralamerican Youth Network "Armando Paz"; National Democratic Institute-Youth, Key Correspondents; One World At School.

Languages spoken: English, Spanish and Portuguese.



Text of Motivation

I consider my contributions as Youth Advisor can be based on volunteer experiences that have helped me to learn about the world, but mostly taught me to put myself in the place of another and understand different realities from young people, have helped me to incorporate values, respect and fraternal dialogue that challenges but also proposes solutions, key factor in achieving our demands are not diluted or excluded, but rather, can be included.

The main motivation is that I would provide a transversal view of what we, as youth, can offer, working together and committed, using our skills to develop the skills of others and, with that way, we can all contribute. If you bring participation opportunities, we create engagement and empowerment of young people then we can be part of the solution with clear and realistic goals by being proactive and committed to everything and everyone around us.

The priorities set in regional committees are integrated and reinforces each other, while improving youth involvement is a strategic priority in itself for our Movement, I think it is also widely recognized as the main rationale in Scouting. Youth empowerment needs to convert our ideas into reality, and that is where we can find matches and challenges, young people are agents of change and the World Scout Movement provides the ability to bring tools for a new development model for young people from today and tomorrow, translated into better citizens for a better world, and this is another great challenge of Youth Advisors. And... as a Scout, I love challenges!

Gabriela Caballero Perdomo

Ms. Fang Shiuan Chang (Scouts of China)

Aged 24. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Coordinator of the Bangladesh-CJK cooperative project (February 2014); Coordinator of the Anniversary of the Scout Group (2012); Treasurer of a summer camp in Yilan, Jie Shou Junior Alumni Scout Group (2012); Leader of Rover Scout crew (2010-2011); Participant in Camp of Youth Peace Volunteer Group, National Youth Commission (2011); Coordinator of a summer camp in Taroko, Jie Shou Junior Alumni Scout Group (2011); Participant at Rover Keep Going Camp, The General Association of the Scouts of China (2009); Participant of the school-based Scouting (2008-present); Award of Excellent Scouts, The General Association of the Scouts of China (2007); Joined Jie Shou Junior Alumni Scout Group (2006-present); Host family and culture exchange with Hong-Kong scouts, North Star Scout Group (2001); Joined North Star Scout Group (1997-2004).



Educational background and qualifications: Bachelor of Industrial Product Design, Shih Chien University (2009-2012); User interface designer, QNAP Inc. (2012-present).

Professional activities: Gold Award: "Ark of Seed", 5% Action Design (2014); Coordinator of Editorial design and Visual design, Graduate exhibition "Paranoid", International Young Designer's exhibition (2011-2012); Internship of graphic user interface at Splashtop Inc. (July 2011-August 2011); Bronze Award: "The Way to Survive", Foxconn X Yonglin Foundation; General Affairs of Industrial Design Student Association, Shih Chien University (2010-2011); Staff, COMB Design, Taiwan Designer's Week (2010).

Languages spoken: English, French and Mandarin.

Text of Motivation

Dear brother and sister in Scouting,

As a designer, I think there's a strong connection between designers and Scouts, both of them want to create a better world: Designer rethinking the problem, then brainstorming and communicate again and again for a best solution, that is just as the same as the Scouts do. But it is more special for a Youth Advisor, as a bridge between youth and world organization, we could have both sides' opinions and keep our idea in the meanwhile, making right decision for youth and enjoying communication with people.

The role of Youth Advisor is important to communicate and the ideas transfer, it is an opportunity to reach all the Scouts come from the whole world and different cultures, and to try to let their voice to be heard, to understand the issues occurring and solve the problems. This is an interesting challenge and I believe I have the passion to be there for others because I'd love to understand what people think, and see more points of view and possibilities.

Scouting has taught me "All for one, one for all" is my favourite one, I am eager to take the responsibility for passing ideas as a Youth Advisor, share my experience and knowledge to the best youth organization. I love Scouting, I developed my personality in Scouting in my growing up, also attitude cultivated. I want to hear more people's voice and being their voice, give what I learned, my design background, my thinking, or any experience of Scouting for our better world.

Fang Shiuan Chang

Mr. Miguel Angel Cortés Vega (Colombia)

Aged 24. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Youth member of the National Scout Council (2012-present); National Youth Network Coordinator (2011-2013).

Participation at international events: 4th Interamerican Scout Youth Forum (Argentina September 2013); Interamerican Region Meeting on Youth Participation (Panama 2013); Meeting of the Youth Network (Andina, Ecuador May 2014); JamCam Interamerican Region (Colombia January 2013); Subregional meeting of the institutional development network (Andean, Colombia 2012).

Educational background and qualifications: Secondary school, Colegio Mayor San Bartolome (2007); Professional Logistics Management (SENA), National Learning Service (2012).

Public offices: Administrative assistant of the Master in Cultural Studies, Faculty of Sociology, National University of Colombia.

Languages spoken: English and Spanish.



Text of motivation

I express my interest in joining the team of Youth Advisors of the World Scout Committee, to provide all the knowledge acquired throughout my Scout and professional formation to the world team training, to develop policies and strategies that meet the needs of young people in the Scout Movement and follow up on the recommendations, decisions and tasks that are currently being developed and which will come out the next world forum.

I want to help forming different teams, strong culture of dialogue, negotiation and ability to work in the pursuit of common goals.

I have the spirit, commitment, ability, skills and desire to contribute as a Youth Advisor in fulfilling the mission of building a better world, and to fully assume all the responsibilities that entails. This will be a unique experience to help me "be more to better serve".

Yours in Scouting,

Miguel Angel Cortés Vega

Ms. Máire Fitzgerald (Ireland)

Aged 21. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Assistant group leader (2013-present); County Programme Co-ordinator for Rover Scouts (2013-present); Chairperson of Provincial Youth Representatives for Rovers (2011-present); Co-ordinator of Provincial Youth Representatives (2013-present); Member of the international team (2013-present); Chairperson of National Youth Representatives for Rovers (2012-2014); Member of the National Rover Team (2012-2013).

Participation at international events: Troop leader for the Irish contingent at the WSJ in Japan (2015); Involved in the coordination and organization of the European Agora (2012, 2013, 2014); Represented Scouting Ireland at the International Scout Peace Camp (Indonesia 2013); Assisted the European Working Group at the European Symposium (Dublin, Ireland 2013); Member of the WOSM team for the World Scout Moot (Canada 2013); Represented World Scouting at the International Youth Conference (Saudi Arabia 2013); Online participant at the World Scout Education Congress (2013); Participant of the International Rover Week (Kandersteg, Switzerland 2012); Member of the Irish Programme Team for the WSJ in Sweden (2011).

Educational background and qualifications: Diploma in Communications (Public Speaking), Trinity College London; Leaving Certificate (Secondary School Final Examination); currently studying for a Bachelor of Education and Psychology (three of four years completed), Mary Immaculate College, University of Limerick.

Professional activities: Group Leader, Cork English College - Youth School (July-August 2013 and 2014); Ceannaire (Youth Leader) in Colaiste Chorca Dhuibhne (Irish College in Kerry, in June 2013 and 2014); Student (Supervised) Teacher (2012-present).

Public offices: Polling Clerk (November 2013 and May 2014); Vote Sorter/Counter (November 2013 and May 2014).

Membership in other organizations: Life member of the Irish Red Cross, Member of Gaelic Athletic Association, Member of Camogie Association of Ireland.

Languages spoken: English (native speaker), French (working knowledge) and Irish.



Text of Motivation

In the past 24 months, I have had the honour and good fortune to be catapulted into the world of International Scouting. I have made new friends and learned so much more from them and our shared experiences than I could ever have hoped. Exposure to these kinds of experiences has helped me to begin to understand some of the complexities on which World Scouting is built. Volunteering as a Youth Advisor would enable me to continue this learning, and deepen my appreciation and understanding of World Scouting, as well as to contribute to the great work that is taking place.

The current Youth Advisors have played an integral role in the work of the World Scout Committee and various working groups over the last triennium. I would love to help continue on their great work. I also see great opportunities for development. For example, utilising already existing channels of communication between Youth Advisors and those they represent.

I have participated in, facilitated, and organised Youth Fora at county, provincial and national levels. I was afforded the opportunity to build on these experiences with my involvement in the European Agora, which fuelled my passion for Youth Empowerment. I think that the position of Youth Advisor is the ideal next step and it would allow me the opportunity to take the final step in regards to the 'levels of participation' that it is possible to achieve as a youth member.

Máire Fitzgerald

Mr. Shunsuke Kasahara (Japan)

Aged 18. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Participant at the 22nd World Scout Jamboree (Sweden 2011); Participant, at the Scout Association of Japan and Korea Scout Association Scout Forum; 15th Nippon Jamboree (National Jamboree in Japan); 11th Nippon Agoonoree; Community services at local level (local cleaning projects, fund-raising projects, etc.)

Educational background and qualifications: Senior year at Nishiyamato Gakuen High School; Honor Code Certificate, 2.01x: Elements of Structures (Physics), MITx, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Verified Certificate, The Modern and Postmodern (Philosophy), Coursera, Wesleyan University.

Languages spoken: English and Japanese.



Text of Motivation

I became a Scout when I was six years old, and for over 11 years, I have experienced a variety of activities and took on different roles. I am now sure that Scouting is one of the most important factors that have made me who I am today. The World Scout Jamboree in Sweden in 2011 changed my view toward the Scout Movement. There, I met many Scouts from different parts of the world, they inspired me, and they widened my horizons. Through this experience, I realized that the Scout Movement possesses strong possibility at the world level as well as at the local level. The Scout Movement has spread in almost all parts of the world, for that, I believe, Scouts can make a greater impact at all levels from the local to the global.

I would like to be a Youth Advisor to the World Scout Committee and make sure that younger Scouts in every part of the world will have pleasurable and yet educational experiences, and youth will enjoy their role actively in the Scout Movement. Maximizing youth involvement at all levels is mandatory because youth know more about younger people, and deeper involvement leads to deeper enjoyment. I am willing to accelerate youth to youth communications worldwide, using all the media available. I would like to listen to and discuss with Scouts across the globe during and after the World Scout Youth Forum.

I believe in Scouting. I believe that the Scout Movement can make a difference in young people's lives. I believe that Scouts can make positive impacts on even non-Scout people's lives. To prompt positive changes, I strongly believe discussion among youth at every level is necessary. I am ready to fulfil the duties and make full use of the opportunity given as a Youth Advisor.

Shunsuke Kasahara

Ms. Su Youn Kim (Republic of Korea)

Aged 21. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Helper at the Suncheon Asia-Pacific Scout Centre (January and February 2014); President of Rover Scouts of the South Gyeonggi Council (Feb. 2013 - Feb. 2014); Main staff at the Korea-Japan Scout Youth Forum (Aug. 12-16, 2013); General Project Manager at the 2012 CJK Rover Project (Taiwan, Japan, Korea) in the Philippines (Aug. 17-20, 2012); Autumn short-term staff at the Kandersteg International Scout Centre (Sep.-Dec. 2011); International Service Team at the World Scout Jamboree in Sweden (Jul.-Aug. 2011).



Educational background and qualifications: British International School (Jakarta, Indonesia 1995-2004); Daepyeong Middle School, Daepyeong High School (2005-2010); Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Majoring in Division of International Studies (2011-present); Spanish language course at the Universidad de Malaga (Jan. 28-May 26, 2012).

Professional activities: English teacher at the English book reading institute (May 2014-present); English Teacher at the summer English camp (Jul. 22-Aug. 2, 2013); Staff at the KNC, Korea Interservice Debate Association National Championship (May 3-5, 2013); Delegation Assistant Liaison (team Iceland) at the 2013 Pyeongchang Winter Special Olympics (Jan. 22-Feb. 6, 2013).

Languages spoken: English, Korean, Spanish (basic) and Japanese (basic).

Text of Motivation

I started Scouting in year 2007 when I was in 3rd year of middle school. I might have started a little late comparing it to a lot of Scouts out there but I can confidently say that it has done more than the period itself. Scouting has changed my life since then. I started to enjoy my life, find about myself and my personality changed in a better way as well. Scouting made who I am today.

I was always interested in doing something international, but didn't have a clear idea of what I can do and wasn't sure what to study in the future. The Scouting experiences I had in high school took a big part for me to make a decision to study International Studies in university. After entering university, I continued to have amazing Scouting experiences. Starting with the World Scout Jamboree in Sweden, I volunteered to work at Kandersteg International Scout Centre as a short-term staff for Autumn 2011, and also helped lead the CJK (Taiwan-Japan-Korea) Rover Scout Project in the Philippines as General Project Manager.

I am also a leader of a small troop and have been leading Scouts and Ventures in camps and other events. It was amazing to see the young Scouts develop through Scouting and how people from totally different culture and background could be together as one, sharing our own experiences with each other and becoming friends.

I volunteered to do things I can do as a Scout leader to give others the same opportunities that I had along the way, but every time, it wasn't just about giving but I got so much in return. So now, I want to give it back to the young Scouts and the Scout Movement by challenging myself as a Youth Advisor.

Su Youn Kim

Ms. Daiana Neil (Argentina)

Aged 22. Single.

Summary of Scout service: National Youth Spokeswoman elected to the National Youth Forum (2011-2013); Member of the National Youth Team, area devoted for the promotion of youth participation (2011-present); Member of the National Team of Educational Methods Area (2013-present); First Vice-president of the Fourth Interamerican Youth Forum (2013); Member of the organizing committee of the Fourth Interamerican Youth Forum (2013); Member of the organizing committee of the 23rd Interamerican Scout Conference (2013); Participant at the 14th World Scout Moot (Canada 2013); Participant at the Panamerican Jamboree (Argentina 2005).



Educational background and qualifications: Educational Sciences, School of Philosophy, University of Buenos Aires (2011-present); Elementary and secondary education at Instituto Modelo Almaguer (1995-2009).

Professional activities: Undergraduate research assistant (2013-2015); Teaching assistant at the Instituto Modelo Almaguer (Merlo, Buenos Aires 2009); Evaluator of the National Program of Evaluation of Secondary Education (2010); Teaching assistant (obtained by public contest) in the subject "Evolutionary psychology and development 1", Institute of Teacher Education N° 29 (Merlo 2012-2013); Participation and management of a social non-profit organization that is responsible for carrying donations to Wichis communities in the North of Argentina (2011-present).

Public offices: Team member of the Literacy program for seniors of the City of Moron, local government (2012).

Languages spoken: English and Spanish.

Text of Motivation

I have been a part of the Scout Movement since I was 8 years old and I can truly say that I am able to apprehend our reality through other lenses; lenses that focus on solidarity, mutual understanding and care for the other and our environment. Such a strong commitment allowed me to define a professional vocation and I am currently studying Educational Sciences at the University of Buenos Aires, the biggest and most prestigious university of my country.

While I was increasing my commitment and participation in the Movement, I took greater responsibilities within my NSO and my region. As a result, I learnt that the Scout Movement is an extraordinary educational project for children and teenagers as they are meant to be agents of change so as to constantly build a better world. Our comprehensive educational project pursues the creation of peace, love and brotherhood worldwide; it is able to achieve a world in which many worlds fit; a process where individualities surpass geographical and cultural boundaries and collective efforts stimulates a transformative Movement.

It is necessary to advance in the strengthening of a truly intergenerational alliance within the Scout Movement and enhance a Society that combines both enthusiasm and experience. A key element in fulfilling this goal is the reinforcement of effective mechanism and processes of youth participation; but the empowerment of the youth should necessarily be guided and supported by adults. Permanent bonds for cooperative and intergenerational dialogue are to be built.

As a Youth Advisor I would definitely nurture WOSM by adding a particular insight from the Inter-American region, especially in regards to youth participation activities. I am comfortable with the life-skills I have learned (and keep learning) as part of this Movement and consider myself to have the experience and the passion enough to contribute to the collective creation of a better world.

Daiana Neil

Ms. Christina Neilsen (Australia)

Aged 24. Single.



Summary of Scout Service: Assistant National Commissioner for Youth Programme (March 2014-present); Victorian Branch Rover Council Environment Officer (July 2013-present); National Youth Council Chairperson and member (as one of two youth representatives) of the National Executive Committee, National Operations Committee, National Youth Programme Team and National Council (Mar. 2012 – Mar. 2014); Assistant Cub Scout Leader (2006-present); Chair of Youth Forum Steering and Recommendations Committee, Asia-Pacific Regional Youth Forum (Bangladesh 2013); Participant, Commonwealth Scout Youth Forum (London 2012); Participant at the World Scout Youth Forum (Brazil 2011).

Educational background and qualifications: Master of Environment, The University of Melbourne (2012-2013); Bachelor of Science, Geography Major, The University of Melbourne (2009-2011); Woodbadge, Certificate IV in Frontline Management, Certificate IV in Leadership (2014).

Professional activities: Promotions Officer at Latitude Global Volunteering (Feb. 2009-present). Christina has recently completed her Master of Environment and is currently looking for work in the environmental management, consulting, education or monitoring fields.

Public offices: Policy Advisory Council Member, Australian Youth Affairs Coalition (Australia's peak youth body that advises the Federal Government).

Membership in other organizations: Sweet Adelines International as a member of Vocal Vibes Chorus.

Languages spoken: English and basic Mandarin Chinese.

Text of Motivation

I am passionate about Scouting and believe that all decisions should be made with reference to young people. As such, I am a firm believer in the Youth Advisor system and in the great benefits that this system can create. In particular, I believe that the Youth Advisor system can bring improved outcomes to all Scouts worldwide, through the involvement of young people in decisions, and I would like to be involved in order to give back to the Movement that has given me so much.

I have a long history of being involved in youth voice, empowerment and engagement in Scouts Australia and would love to bring my skills and experiences to assist in ensuring the World system works as efficiently and effectively as possible. As the National Youth Council (NYC) Chairman for Scouts Australia for two years, I coordinated the work of a team of 25 young people aged 13-25, organised conferences and training, and led research and consultation processes with youth and adults around Australia. As such I have a lot of experience in representing voices and opinions of other young people, and in working in intergenerational teams towards a common outcome. I am also still involved in Scouting at a local level - as both a Rover and Cub Leader - on top of my national roles and have an in-depth and balanced understanding of Scouting from a variety of angles.

I enjoy working with people from other cultures and countries, and through this, learning and celebrating the differences and similarities in our Scouting. I have had many international experiences, including attending youth forums and conferences at Regional, Commonwealth and World levels; attending the 2013 New Zealand Moot; and volunteering to teach English in China for 5 months after high school. At the 2012 Asia-Pacific Region Youth Forum I was elected to the Steering / Recommendation Committee and went on to chair both this and the recommendations-passing plenary session. We had to work hard to reduce the original 60+ draft recommendations to 12 that were succinct, clear and determined through a democratic process involving all participants. I would welcome the opportunity to give back to Scouting further by being more involved at future World Youth Forums.

Christina Neilsen

Ms. Alexandra Rudi (Hungary)

Aged 21. Single.

Summary of Scout Service: Member of the international committee (2010-present); Member of the local scout group board.

Educational background and qualifications: Elementary school (2003); High school - German School of Budapest (2003-2009, 2010-2012) and Collège Jean XXIII in Brussels (2009-2010); Law student (present).

Professional activities: Part-time employee in a law firm; member of Mathias Corvinus Collegium (interdisciplinary educational institution).

Languages spoken: English, French, German, Spanish and Hungarian.



Text of Motivation

When thinking about submitting my application, I have been looking for the exact words how to explain my motivation. Ironically, the right words have been with me all along in my Scout Promise: to fulfil my duties to God, to others and to my country. I need to add a 4th aspect though: duty to myself. I feel this is necessary, because this is really what Scouting taught me: to be responsible for myself and to always find new challenges in order to grow. Explaining briefly the aspects I have raised, I can say the following: Duty to God: I was very lucky to get many gifts from God - such as my language skills, my upbringing etc. - so that I feel responsible to make the most out of them. This is connected to my interpretation of 'duty to others', which in my opinion means to fight to enable opportunities for others - at least to wider them. Even in the WOSM, I feel, too many inequalities are present. My duty to my country (NSO) means to me the desire to return them the investment they have made in me and to change youth participation through my work. And finally, my duty to myself would be to do my job the best I can.

Alexandra Rudi

Mr. Maeed Mohamed Zahir (Maldives)

Aged 23. Single.

Summary of Scout service: Joined Scouting as a Cub Scout, continued as a Scout and Rover Scout; Scout leader (2007-present); National Commissioner for Youth Programme; Vice-chairperson of the Youth Programme Committee of the Scout Association of Maldives; National Coordinator for the World Scout Environment Programme; Chairman of the Asia-Pacific Regional Young Adult Members Group and member of the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee (2009-2012); 18 years since joining the Movement; A President Scout.

Educational background and qualifications: Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences and Earth Sciences, University of Mysore, India; Secondary Education, Centre for higher secondary education in Maldives.

Professional activities: Manager, Advocacy, Ecocare Maldives (Non-governmental organization working to educate, advocate, protect and sustain the environment in Maldives. Position includes running environmental campaigns and programmes for the organization.); Project Intern, Archiving National Historical Documentation, Official Residence of the President of Maldives.

Membership in other organizations: Ecocare Maldives; Maldivian Red Crescent; ATAS; Earth Hour Maldives.

Languages spoken: English and Dhivehi.



Text of Motivation

Scouting has taught me many things; its lessons and methods have made me the person who I am today. In 2009, I was fortunate to attend the 6th APR Scout Youth Forum in KL, where I was elected as the chairman of the APR Young Adult Member Group (YAMG) as a Youth Member to represent the voice of young people in Scouting from all over the Asia Pacific. The three-year experience was awesome, I got to meet and make many different friends all over the region. With the appointment came the opportunity to sit as a youth member in the APR Scout Committee where I was able to contribute and share opinions of young people throughout the region. With a successful 7th APR Youth Forum I was able to complete my three years of service to the region.

Back home in Maldives, I took up the initiative to introduce the World Scout Environment Programme, managed to get it launched and have been at it for the past year. I have also been appointed as the National Commissioner for Youth Programme in Maldives early this year making me the youngest commissioner in Maldives. The Scout Association of Maldives is doing as much as it can to involve young people in all stages of decision making within the organizations. I was able to successfully hold the First National Scout Youth Forum in the Maldives in 2012 and we now have the elected National Scout Youth Council in place.

I strongly believe in the mission of Scouting, Scouting changes lives; its contribution to the community is enormous. I have always been proud to be part of this amazing Movement. It is this reason that motivates and encourages me to run for Youth Advisor at the World Scout Youth Forum. With the experiences and relationships I made working in the Asia-Pacific and the encouragement of my brother and sister Scouts I feel I can be productive and resourceful. Scouting has always taught me to work to the best of your ability, to be cheerful and confident at what you do. I am someone who will work to the best of my ability and who is cheerful and confident, just how Scouting taught me.

Maeed Mohamed Zahir