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To: International Commissioners

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**European Voluntary Service: opportunity for an individual volunteer position in the WSB-
European Regional Office in Brussels**

Dear friends,

As described in circulars N° 24/04.09 "*EVS Accreditation*" and N°01/01.09 "*Funding events with a European or International dimension*" the WSB-ERO considers the European Voluntary Service (EVS) of the Youth in Action Programme a very good opportunity for young people to experience a volunteering period in another country.

For detailed information about the EVS please check out the Programme Guide of the YiA:
http://ec.europa.eu/youth/youth-in-action-programme/doc443_en.htm.

The WSB-ERO would like to start working in collaboration with NSOs/NSAs interested on a volunteer scheme based on the European Voluntary Service. As a first step the Region will now create a position for one young person (18-25 years old) that would like to commit her/him self to volunteer in the European Regional Office in Brussels.

The work of the volunteer will be focused on the preparation of the European Scout Conference 2010 and on the support of Brussels office's working areas, External Relations and Funding. A full description of the volunteer position is attached as ANNEX A.

To participate in the EVS scheme the WSB-ERO will submit a funding application to the Executive Agency of the European Commission responsible for the Youth in Action Programme by 1 September 2009.

The result of the funding application will be advised approximately 3-4 months after the submission (January – February 2010).

Recruitment process

Eligible candidates will be young people, resident in the country of the sending organization. The volunteer interested needs first of all to find a sending organization; in order to take part in an individual EVS project there is the need for one hosting and one sending organization and both of them have to be accredited. WSB-ERO is already accredited as a hosting organization; to know how to get the accreditation please check carefully circular N° 24/04.09 "*EVS Accreditation*".

Therefore to send a possible volunteer there are two options for NSOs/NSAs:

1. Being accredited as a sending organization for the EVS. In this case, the NSO/NSA is directly involved in the project as a partner.
2. Get in touch with another accredited non-Scout sending organization in the country that will become a partner in the project.

Only candidatures presented through accredited sending organizations will be taken in consideration!!!

In order to candidate her/him self, the volunteer has to send: a presentation letter from the sending organization + a motivation letter + her/his CV.

The volunteer will be chosen regardless of her/his ethnic group, religion, sexual orientation, political opinion, etc. No previous qualifications, educational level, specific experience or more than basic English or French knowledge is required.

Candidatures have to be sent by email to amasson@scout.org at the latest by the 29th of July 2009.

The result of selection will be communicated at the latest by the 24th of August 2009.

!!! The WSB-ERO kindly asks International Commissioners to spread this information to young members of their NSOs/NSAs !!!

Information on this issue will be put on www.scout.org/europe and on other youth portals.

Of course the European Regional Office in Brussels will be available to provide more information and offer suggestions and advice, therefore if you are interested, please don't hesitate to contact Nicolò, the Funding and Project Support Officer at npranzini@scout.org

If your NSO/NSA is already accredited to EVS please send a message to Nicolò; this will allow the Region to create a list that could be used each time that there is the need of partners in other EVS projects. Of course the list will be available as well to NSOs/NSAs that are looking for partners!!!

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

Yours sincerely



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