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**11<sup>th</sup> WORLD SCOUT YOUTH FORUM  
BLUMENAU, SANTA CATARINA, BRAZIL, JANUARY 2011**

Dear Colleagues,

The 11<sup>th</sup> World Scout Youth Forum will take place in Blumenau, **from Monday 3 January to – Thursday 6 January 2011**, just prior to the 39<sup>th</sup> World Scout Conference.

**1. ORGANIZATION**

União dos Escoteiros do Brasil (UEB), the National Scout Organization of Brazil, will host the World Scout Youth Forum. A Host Committee has been set up and its members are working with enthusiasm to ensure all the facilities are in place for this event.

**2. PLANNING COMMITTEE**

As specified in Resolution 10/93 on Youth Forums, the agenda and procedures of the Forum are under the responsibility of the World Scout Committee. A Planning Committee has been appointed according to the Guidelines of the World Scout Youth Forum. This committee is responsible for recommending the main content of the agenda of the Forum to the World Scout Committee.

The Planning Committee comprises the following persons:

Youth Advisors elected during the 10<sup>th</sup> World Scout Youth Forum:

- Miss Milena Pecarski, Serbia (Chairperson)
- Miss Karin Ahlbäck, Finland
- Mr. Jaemin Choi, Korea
- Miss Nadia Morrone, Argentina
- Miss Fernanda Santos, Brazil

One member from the World Scout Committee:

- Mr. Mario Diaz, Vice-Chairman WSC

One representative from the Host Committee:

- Mr. Ricardo Stuber, União dos Escoteiros do Brasil (UEB)

with support from an Executive from the World Scout Bureau.

### 3. PROGRAMME

In the first meeting in Geneva, November 2008, the Planning Committee agreed on a number of topics that would be relevant to discuss. Both Scouting and non-Scouting topics were considered.

The theme for the World Scout Youth Forum is: "**Paddle your own canoe**"

The topics that will be included in the agenda are in the two key areas 'Empowering young adults' and 'Scouting as a world-wide Movement'.

#### 1. "Empowering young adults"

- Youth involvement in society
  - active citizenship
  - youth empowerment
  - rights of young people
- Skills for life
  - diversity
  - soft skills
  - leadership
- Personal commitment

#### 2. "Scouting as a world-wide movement"

- Revitalising Young Adults' Programme
  - Quality of the programme (growth)
  - Scouting and technology
  - Guidelines for the Rover Scout Section
- Impact on society
  - Millennium Development Goals
  - The Scouts of the World Award
  - Environment
  - Education for Peace
- International Scouting
  - Values of Scouting
  - Items from the agenda of the 39<sup>th</sup> World Scout Conference, 2011
  - Strategy for Scouting
  - World Organisation of the Scout Movement

The outline programme for the Forum will be presented to the World Scout Committee in March and a more detailed programme will be provided in a further Circular.

For the different sessions, the Planning Committee will develop methodologies that provide the participants with opportunities for sharing ideas and developing skills. In general the methodology will be interactive, provocative, creative and flexible – in order to appeal to young people.

Various working methods will be used to share ideas among the participants, to develop discussion on the different topics and reach recommendations to be addressed to the World Scout Committee. Our Brazilian hosts will also organise activities, close to nature and in a "Scout spirit", to discover and enjoy their country and to develop closer relationships between participants and interact with Brazilian Scouts.

### 4. DATES

The 11<sup>th</sup> World Scout Youth Forum will be held, **from Monday 3 January – Thursday 6 January 2011**; opening on Monday and closing on Thursday evening. Practical information will follow in a later Circular.

## 5. LOCATION

The Forum will be held on the premises of the Viena Park Hotel which is located just 2 minutes from downtown Blumenau. Blumenau, just 250 km south of Curitiba, was founded in 1850 by German immigrants and is one of the most beautiful and important cities in Southern Brazil. The Viena Park Hotel sits next to 38,000 m<sup>2</sup> of protected native forest, and with a complete Convention Center, it is the ideal setting for the event.

## 6. PARTICIPANTS

Each National Scout Organization is invited to send a delegation to the World Scout Youth Forum.

In Resolution 4/96 adopted by the 1996 World Conference in Oslo, the Conference recommends that each National Scout Organization send **at least one Delegate** to World Scout Youth Forums.

Each delegation may however include more members. It may be composed of a maximum of **two Delegates** (participants with right to speak and vote) and **three Observers** (participants with right to speak but not to vote). Only individuals who are members of WOSM can be Delegates to the World Scout Youth Forum. The participants must be **between their 18th and 26th birthdays in the year of the Forum (2011)**; in other words, have been born between **1st January 1985 and 31st December 1993**.

### 6.1. Profile

World Scout Youth Forum participants should have:

- Experience in decision making at the institutional level within their National Scout Organization and/or at Regional level,
- Knowledge of current issues under consideration at World level of the World Organization of the Scout Movement,
- Some experience in or knowledge of conference participation, the development of recommendations, and decision-making processes,
- Some experience in representation of young people, and
- Relevant experiences to contribute to the programme aspects of the World Scout Youth Forum.

### 6.2. Delegates and Observers

Delegates and Observers for the Forum should be included in the appropriate form returned to the World Scout Bureau in advance of the event. If this is not completed before registration, each Delegate and Observer will be required to produce an official letter of appointment clearly indicating the function of either Delegate or Observer, signed by the President, International Commissioner or other responsible official of his or her National Scout Organization.

### 6.3. Selection

National Scout Organizations are responsible for ensuring the selection of appropriate participants in the World Scout Youth Forum, in accordance with the profile listed above. Participants must be selected in advance of the event. The selection process should take into consideration the participants' capacity to contribute to the Forum topics. Whenever possible, participants should be elected by their peers according to democratic principles, and they should represent other young people within their association (national youth platforms, youth forums, networks, etc.).

### 6.4 Participation

As far as possible, National Scout Organizations should, in the selection of their participants attempt to achieve an equitable representation of their membership (geographical, ethnic and social background, etc.). Specifically, where a National Scout Organization includes both male and female young members it is recommended that there be balanced participation of both.

## 6.5 Preparation

National Scout Organizations are responsible for providing support to Forum participants in their preparation for the event. Participants should be selected or provided with training in accordance with the criteria listed above. Adequate information about the topics to be discussed by a World Scout Youth Forum will be given to National Scout Organizations early enough to allow them to pass it on to their participants to prepare for the Forum.

## 6.6. Elections of World Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee

According to the World Scout Youth Forum Guidelines, the Forum, at the end of its meeting, shall elect six Youth Advisors who will be the planning committee for the next Forum and Advisors to the World Scout Committee. World Youth Advisors should be able to help the World Scout Committee whenever requested by the Committee.

Profile and nomination system for World Youth Advisors will be provided in a further Circular.

## 7. FORUM FEE

The Forum fee for Delegates and Observers attending only the Forum will be between **190 Euros and 360 Euros**, depending on category in which your country is situated according to its GNI per capita (see Appendix 1).

**In contrast to the fee for the World Scout Conference, the fee for the World Scout Youth Forum includes full board and lodging**, i.e. accommodation in twin bedrooms and all meals.

The fee also includes coffee breaks, Forum documentation, social activities, local transportation, and transportation from Curitiba (CWB) International Airport to Blumenau.

## 8. PARTICIPATION IN THE WORLD SCOUT CONFERENCE

National Scout Organizations are encouraged to include Forum Delegates or Observers in their World Scout Conference delegation. To facilitate this:

- the World Scout Youth Forum will take place just prior to the World Conference,
- an inter-event programme will be provided to Forum participants during the three days between the two events,
- a special combined "Forum + Conference" attractive fee ranging from **425 Euros to 750 Euros** has been set for young participants below 26 years of age taking part in **both** events. (See Appendix 1 for fee details.)

This combined fee:

- provides a significant discount when compared with the fee for attending only the Forum;
- makes it possible for participants below 26 years old, who would in any case attend the Conference, to also participate at the Forum (4 days full board and the inter-event) for an additional Euros 25 to 145.

**A 10% discount will apply for payments received by 10 November 2010.**

## 9. INTER-EVENT PROGRAMME

The Host Committee is planning to organise a special programme **from 7 to 9 January 2011** for those young adults participating in the World Scout Youth Forum **and** in the World Scout Conference. This event will be held in Florianópolis and will enable the participants to experience more of Brazil and meet with Scouts and other young people in a social programme.

Florianópolis, which is located just 140km from Blumenau, is an island connected to the continent by two modern bridges and its beaches, landscape and very friendly people make it a charming city, so pleasant that it is known as the "Magical Island".

This inter-event programme will be organised **only for those young adults who will participate in both Conference and Forum and will have registered in advance for both events**.

## 10. GETTING TO BLUMENAU

The Host Committee will welcome Youth Forum participants upon arrival at the Curitiba (CWB) International Airport and provide transport to Blumenau, as well as transport from Blumenau to the airport at the end of the Forum, or to the World Scout Conference hotels at the end of the inter-event programme for those who will participate in the Conference.

Participants flying to Curitiba can transit through São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro or Brasilia and support will be provided at each of these airports. Participants will be welcomed by the Host Committee upon arrival at Curitiba International Airport and will then be transferred by bus to Blumenau. Further details will be provided in a later Circular.

Curitiba International Airport is located at 3hr. by bus from Blumenau.

## 11. USEFUL INFORMATION

Numerous websites provide interesting information about Brazil for travelers.

We recommend visiting the following website: <http://www.braziltour.com>

The official currency of Brazil is the Brazilian Real.

We recommend visiting <http://www.oanda.com> for calculating conversion rates between currencies.

## 12. IMPORTANT! PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE

In order to assist the Host Committee to plan for this event and to provide quality services to all participants, **you are kindly requested to complete and return the attached planning questionnaire** (Appendix 2) **by 31 July 2010**.

Please estimate:

- the number of young adults that your Organization intends to include in its delegation to the World Scout Youth Forum (either as Delegates or as Observers),
- the number of those young adults participating in the World Scout Youth Forum that your Organization intends to also include in its delegation to the World Scout Conference, and
- the number of young adults who intend to take part in the inter-event programme specially organised for those who will participate in both the World Scout Youth Forum and the World Scout Conference.

Your response will be greatly appreciated and we count on your cooperation!

Yours sincerely,

Luc Panissod  
Secretary General

Enclosures:

1. Registration fees for the World Scout Youth Forum
2. Planning Questionnaire (**to be returned no later than 31 July 2010**)

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**YOUTH FORUM FEES**

(ALL VALUES IN EURO)

Fee Category	Conference + Forum	Forum Only
A	425	190
B	595	255
C	685	315
D	750	360

\* Please refer to the table on the back of this page.

NSOs	GNIPC	Category	NSOs	GNIPC	Category	NSOs	GNIPC	Category
Albania	2,930	B	Greece	27,390	D	Pakistan	800	A
Algeria	3,030	B	Grenada	4,650	C	Palestinian Author.	1,230	B
Angola	1,970	B	Guatemala	2,590	B	Panama	6,000	C
Argentina	5,150	C	Guinea	400	A	Papua N.G.	740	A
Armenia	1,920	B	Guyana	1,150	B	Paraguay	1,410	B
Australia	35,860	D	Haiti	430	A	Peru	2,980	B
Austria	39,750	D	Honduras	1,270	B	Philippines	1,390	B
Azerbaijan	1,840	B	Hong Kong	29,040	D	Poland	8,210	C
Bahamas	21,600	D	Hungary	10,870	C	Portugal	17,850	D
Bahrain	19,350	D	Iceland	49,960	D	Qatar	42,669	D
Bangladesh	450	A	India	820	A	Romania	4,830	C
Barbados	9,260	C	Indonesia	1,420	B	Russian Fed.	5,770	C
Belgium	38,460	D	Ireland	44,830	D	Rwanda	250	A
Belize	3,740	C	Israel	20,170	D	San Marino	45,130	D
Benin	530	A	Italy	31,990	D	Saudi Arabia	13,980	D
Bhutan	1,430	B	Jamaica	3,560	B	Senegal	760	A
Bolivia	1,100	B	Japan	38,630	D	Serbia	4,030	C
Bosnia Herzegov.	3,230	B	Jordan	2,650	B	Seychelles	8,870	C
Botswana	5,570	C	Kazakhstan	3,870	C	Sierra Leone	240	A
Brazil	4,710	C	Kenya	580	A	Singapore	28,730	D
Brunei Darussalam	26,930	D	Kiribati	1,240	B	Slovakia	9,610	C
Bulgaria	3,990	C	Korea, Rep.	17,690	D	Slovenia	18,660	D
Burkina Faso	440	A	Kuwait	30,630	D	South Africa	5,390	C
Burundi	100	A	Latvia	8,100	C	Spain	27,340	D
Cambodia	490	A	Lebanon	5,580	C	Sri Lanka	1,310	B
Cameroon	990	B	Lesotho	980	B	St. Lucia	5,060	C
Canada	36,650	D	Liberia	130	A	St. Vincent/Gren.	3,320	B
Cape Verde	2,130	B	Libya	7,290	C	Sudan	800	A
Chad	450	A	Liechtenstein	58,050	D	Suriname	4,210	C
Chile	6,810	C	Lithuania	7,930	C	Swaziland	2,400	B
China, Scouts of	17,230	D	Luxembourg	71,240	D	Sweden	43,530	D
Colombia	3,120	B	Macedonia	3,070	B	Switzerland	58,050	D
Comoros	660	A	Madagascar	280	A	Syria	1,560	B
Congo, DR	130	A	Malawi	230	A	Tajikistan	390	A
Costa Rica	4,980	C	Malaysia	5,620	C	Tanzania	350	A
Côte d'Ivoire	880	A	Maldives	3,010	B	Thailand	3,050	B
Croatia	9,310	C	Malta	15,310	D	Togo	350	A
Cyprus	23,270	D	Mauritania	760	A	Trinidad & Tobago	12,500	D
Czech Republic	12,790	D	Mauritius	5,430	C	Tunisia	2,970	B
Denmark	52,110	D	Mexico	7,830	C	Turkey	5,400	C
Dominica	4,160	C	Moldova	1,080	B	Uganda	300	A
Dominican Rep.	2,910	B	Monaco	36,560	D	Ukraine	1,940	B
Ecuador	2,910	B	Mongolia	1,000	B	United Arab Emir.	26,210	D
Egypt	1,360	B	Montenegro	4,130	C	United Kingdom	40,560	D
El Salvador	2,680	B	Morocco	2,160	B	United States	44,710	D
Estonia	11,400	D	Mozambique	310	A	Uruguay	5,310	C
Ethiopia	170	A	Namibia	3,210	B	Venezuela	6,070	C
Fiji	3,720	C	Nepal	320	A	Yemen	760	A
Finland	41,360	D	Netherlands	43,050	D	Zambia	630	A
France	36,560	D	New Zealand	26,750	D	Zimbabwe	340	A
Gabon	5,360	C	Nicaragua	930	B	Cat A: < US\$ 906 Cat B: US\$ 906 to US\$ 3,595 Cat C: US\$ 3,596 to US\$ 11,115 Cat D: > US\$ 11,115		
Gambia	290	A	Niger	270	A			
Georgia	1,580	B	Nigeria	620	A			
Germany	36,810	D	Norway	68,440	D			
Ghana	510	A	Oman	11,120	D			

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**PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE**

1. **NATIONAL SCOUT ORGANIZATION** .....

.....

**COUNTRY** .....

2. **ESTIMATION OF ATTENDANCE**

Please indicate the approximate number of young adults that your Organization intends to include in its delegation to the 11<sup>th</sup> World Scout Youth Forum (WSYF):

..... Delegates  
(maximum 2)

..... Observers  
(maximum 3)

3. **PARTICIPATION IN THE 39<sup>th</sup> WORLD SCOUT CONFERENCE**

Please indicate the approximate number of Youth Forum participants that your Organization intends to include in its delegation to the 39<sup>th</sup> World Scout Conference which will take place from 10 to 14 January 2011.

Number of Forum participants: .....  
(in the 39<sup>th</sup> World Scout Conference)

4. **INTER-EVENT PROGRAMME**

Please indicate the approximate number of Forum participants who intend to take part in the Inter-event programme between the Forum and the World Scout Conference from 7 to 9 January 2011. (Organized only for those young adults who register in advance for **both** events)

Number of Forum participants: .....  
(in the Inter-event programme)

NAME .....

POSITION .....

DATE .....

SIGNATURE .....

Please return this form **no later than 31 July 2010**, to:  
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