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APR Workshop on Community-Based Scouting

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from Manila!

We are pleased to inform you that the Asia-Pacific Region (APR) of the World Organisation of the Scout Movement, in collaboration with Scouts Australia, is organising an APR Workshop on Community-Based Scouting from 3-6 September 2015 from at the Gilwell Park, Melbourne, Australia.

This four-day workshop on community-based Scouting is organized to achieve Objective No. 3 of Young People Strategic Priority, which is to support national Scout organizations in expanding Scouting in communities.

This is the third workshop of its kind. The first APR Workshop on Community-Based Scouting was held in May 2010 in the Philippines and the second one being in September 2012 in India.

Aim of the workshop:

As a follow up to the APR Workshop on Community-Based Scouting, which was conducted in Delhi in 2012 and in the Philippines in 2010, this workshop is aimed at exploring ways of implementing the Community-Based Scouting in national Scout Organizations as an effective method in increasing membership bringing Scouting closer to the communities.

This will also serve as a gathering of CBS Coordinators to evaluate the current initiatives and develop future plan of actions.

Provisional objectives of the workshop:

At the end of four days, the workshop participants will be able to -

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- To review the benefits of the Community-Based Scouting initiative at regional and national levels;
- To share the results of the survey and actual practices of the NSOs on Community-Based Scouting;

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To evaluate the current initiatives and develop future plan of actions on CBS;

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• To develop and strengthen the CBS network among the CBS coordinators and participants.

Date

3-6 September 2015. Participants are requested to arrive at Melbourne International Airport (MEL) 2 September 2015, and may leave on 7 September 2015.

Venue

Gilwell Park, which is around two hours drive just outside of Melbourne, the capital of Victoria.

Medium of Instruction

English

Eligible participants

The primary target of this workshop are the coordinators of community-based Scouting at national level or any commissioners who are in-charge of promoting Scouting in the community. Other key National Scout leaders, who could be valuable contributors to seminar, are also welcomed.

Fee

USD 150.00, which will cover local transportation, food, accommodation (twin sharing room) for five nights, workshop documents, souvenirs and a half-educational tour.

A more detailed information regarding the workshop will be sent through NSOs soon. Please fill up the attached reply slip and send it to the Asia-Pacific Regional Office of the World Scout Bureau not later than **30 June 2015**.

With Scouts Australia, we are excited and look forward to welcoming your participants to this workshop!

Yours in Scouting,

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