



OCTOBER 2015

REGIONAL INITIATIVES

25th APR Scout Conference: Reminder to NSOs

National Scout Organizations are kindly reminded to:

- bring two pieces of NSO flags for the stage and outside the plenary hall. Please hand in the flags to the APR Secretariat before the opening ceremony.
- provide flight details (for those who have not sent earlier) to the Conference Secretariat apsc2015cs@scout.or.kr copy to rosario@scout.org. This information is necessary for the arrangement of your airport transfer to and from the Conference venue.
- provide the APR Secretariat a list of those who passed away from 2012-2015.

Conference Participants

Korea Scout Association, host of the 25th APR Scout Conference, will welcome over 470 delegates, observers, guests and accompanying persons who have registered for the APR Scout Conference to take place on 3-8 November in Gwangju, Korea. This includes representatives from 23 National Scout Organizations in the Asia-Pacific Region, guests from potential countries (Timor Leste, Vietnam, Myanmar) and from other regions: USA, Iceland, UK, Swaziland, Sweden, Finland, and Poland.

The World Scout Committee will be represented with the presence of WSC Chairperson Jaoa Armando Goncalves and other members, WOSM Secretary General Scott Teare and Regional Chairmen of Europe, Eurasia and Africa Regions.

Other organizations will be present namely ISGF-APR, Habitat for Humanity, World Scout Shop, WWF, and WAGGGS.

APR Scout Youth Forum Participants

Ninety-four young people will gather at the Suncheon APR Scout Centre for the APR Youth Forum from 29 October to 1 November. A total of 26 countries will be represented including 22 from APR, potential countries Myanmar and Timor Leste, and participants from Algeria and Poland.

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2015 events

8th APR Scout Youth Forum
29 Oct–1 Nov
Korea

Chief Scout Executives Meet
1 November, Korea

Sub-Committee and Regional Scout Committee meetings
2 November, Korea

Regional Scout Committee Meeting with Heads of Delegations
3 November, Korea

25th APR Scout Conference
3-8 November, Korea

SG50 International Jamboree
17-22 November 2015,
Singapore

Disaster and Risk Reduction Management Training Course
19-23 November, Cebu City, Philippines

Disaster and Risk Reduction Management Training Course
13-17 December, Davao City, Philippines

The host country, Korea Scout Association, has the highest number of participants (14), followed by Malaysia (10) and Scouts of China (9).

APR Course for Leader Trainer Participants

Forty Scout leaders are attending the Course for Leader Trainers that started 26 October and will end on 1st November at the Suncheon APR Scout Centre. Participants are coming from Thailand (2), India (2), Hong Kong (1), Malaysia (1), Pakistan (1), Philippines (16), Indonesia (2), Scouts of China (3), and Korea (10). Around half of CLT participants are attending the APR Scout Conference.

Room Arrangements for Regional Scout Committee and Sub-Committee Meetings

Meeting rooms are arranged at the Kimdaejung Convention Center for the Regional Scout Committee and Sub-Committees meetings on 1st and 2nd November:

Chief Executives Meet (1 Nov)	MP Hall 211
Program Sub-Committee (2 Nov)	MP Hall 208
Adult Sub-Committee (2 Nov)	MP Hall 209
Management Sub-Committee (2 Nov)	MP Hall 210
Finance Sub-Committee (2 Nov)	MP Hall 211
Scouting Profile Sub-Committee (2 Nov)	MP Hall 212
Foundation (2 Nov)	MP Hall 302
Global Issues TF (2 Nov)	MP Hall 303
Regional Scout Committee (2 Nov)	Convention BD 311-312

Accompanying Persons Programme

An interesting itinerary is prepared for accompanying persons scheduled on the 4th, 6th and 7th of November:

4 November – Gwangju National Museum, Chunghyodong Kiln Site, Mudeung Mt National Park

6 November – Yangnim-dong History and Culture Village, Chungjangro St., Daein Art Market

7 November – Wobongseowon Confucian Academy, Gossaum (Nori) Theme Park, Gwangju Kimchi Town, Bitgoeul Craft Village

Accompanying Persons are invited to the conference opening and closing ceremonies, welcome dinner, international night, farewell dinner, and other social events.

Educational Tour

The tour on 5th November will start at 9:30 in the morning and ends at 8:00 in the evening. Buses will be allocated to respective participant's accommodation assigned during registration. Tour destination will be at Gwangju Design Biennale, Asia Culture, and Chungjangro St Free Tour.

Scouts and Habitat for Humanity to build homes and communities

The World Organization of the Scout Movement/Asia-Pacific Region and Habitat for Humanity Asia-Pacific entered a Memorandum of Understanding on 15 October 2015 on a project called "Scout Build".

The Scout Build will be organized by Habitat for Humanity and National Scout Organizations in 2016 to be participated in by 10,000 Scouts building homes and communities across the region. The event aims to concretize the vision of Baden-Powell for Scouts to provide global service and create a better world. It will unify Scouts across the region with one solid community service activity. It serves as a dynamic reflection of the Messengers of Peace program in Scouting and shall contribute to the Scouts goal of one (1) billion community service hours by 2020.

The MOU was signed by Mr Jose Rizal C Pangilinan, Regional Director of World Organization of the Scout Movement Asia-Pacific and Mr Rick Hathaway, Area Vice President of Habitat for Humanity Asia-Pacific Office.

INVITATION

9th National Scout Jamboree 2016

Sri Lanka Scout Association with a history of 103 years will be holding the 9th National Scout Jamboree in Jaffna from 20-26 February 2016, which also coincides with the centenary of Scouting in Jaffna. Chief Commissioner Prof. Nimal de Silva said that this is the first time a National Scout Jamboree is being held in the Northern Province and requested the support of everyone to make it successful.

The Jamboree expects to welcome an estimated 10,000 Scouts, both local and overseas. The Jamboree site is in the Jaffna Peninsula where the historical fort located. The palmyrah tree signifies the Northern Province with abundant palmyrah products. It is located 400 kilometers from Colombo and is accessible by road, rail and air.

CIRCULARS

- Circular 1-2015:** Revised Guidelines for the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Youth Forum
- Circular 2-2015:** Proposed Amendments to the Constitution & By-Laws, Rules of Procedure and Submission of New Resolutions
- Circular 3-2015:** Proposed Conference Agenda
- Circular 4-2015:** Nominations for the Regional Scout Committee Membership 2015-2021
- Circular 5-2015:** Call for Proposal to Host the 26th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference – 2018
- Circular 6-2015:** Call For Proposal To Host 32nd Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Jamboree – 2021
- Circular 7-2015:** APR Workshop on Community-Based Scouting
- Circular 8-2015:** Youth Involvement
- Circular 9-2015:** APR Workshop on Environment Education in Scouting
- Circular 10-2015:** APR Workshop on Telling the Scouting Story through the use of Multimedia
- Circular 11-2015:** 6th Asia-Pacific Regional Award for Outstanding Scouts – 2015
- Circular 12-2015:** Call for nominations to the Young Adult Members Group for 2015 - 2018
- Circular 13-2015:** Appeal to help Nepal earthquake survivors
- Circular 14-2015:** APR Workshop on Partnership and Self-Reliance
- Circular 15-2015:** Nomination for APR Sub-Committees 2015-2018
- Circular 16-2015:** Candidates for APR Scout Committee 2015-2021
- Circular 17-2015:** Draft APR Plan 2015-2018
- Circular 18-2015:** 25th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference: Breakout Groups
- Circular 19-2015:** Final Conference Agenda
- Circular 20-2015:** 18th International Youth Gathering for Cultural Exchange
- Circular 21-2015:** Nomination for APR Scout Foundation Management Committee (2015-2018)
- Circular 22-2015:** Cancellation of the APR Air/Internet Jamboree
- Circular 23-2015:** Displays and Scouting Mall for National Scout Organizations and External Partner Organizations
- Circular 24-2015:** 8th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Youth Forum Documents
- Circular 25-2015:** Candidates for the Young Adult Members Group: 2015-2018
- Circular 26-2015:** APR Scout Foundation Fund Raising Dinner
- Circular 27-2015:** 16th National Scout Jamboree - Philippines
- Circular 28-2015:** APR Course for Leader Trainers (CLT) - Change of Course Venue

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