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The European Scout Committee proposes that the 24th European Scout Conference (2022) adopt the following Draft Resolutions.

A brief explanation, the text of the Draft Resolution and background information are included in the Conference Document to provide Member Organisations with the required information to facilitate discussions before a decision is made by the Conference during a voting session at the Conference.

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24ESC-C01 – Thank you to Volunteers in Times of Pandemic

Background

This unprecedented time since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic has shown the resilience of the Scout Movement. Scout Leaders and young people across the European Scout Region and beyond have all taken the challenges in stride, working to adapt and support their communities, all while continuing to provide a non-formal educational experience for young people. Following the sincere appreciation recorded by the 42nd World Scout Conference in August 2021 through [World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-00](#), the European Scout Region wishes to recognise the efforts of its members and the unity felt as the Movement has rallied together in new ways.

Content proposal: 24ESC-C01 (2022) Thank you to Volunteers in Times of Pandemic (Draft Courtesy Resolution 01)

The 24th European Scout Conference,

- *recognising* the extraordinary contribution volunteers have made to support their local communities,
- *appreciating* the commitment and dedication volunteers have shown to help local people and communities,
- *highlighting* the tremendous effort that young people, leaders and volunteers, have shown to deliver the Scout programme and non-formal education to children and young people in truly unprecedented times, and
- *recalling* the importance of non-formal education for the education and development of children and young people,

Expresses its deepest and most heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all people in the Scout Movement, young people, leaders, and volunteers, on local, national, and regional levels, for their work during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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24ESC-01 – Regional Scout Plan 2022-2025

Background

The Regional Scout Plan is intended to provide the strategic direction and prioritisation for the European Scout Region during the next triennium. The Plan consists of **Strategic Priorities** which are most relevant to Europe, whilst aligning with the World Triennial Plan and the strategic priorities of WOSM where relevant. It is not intended to highlight or influence daily operations and regular events. As such, the Region will continue supporting Member Organizations via WOSM Services, supporting volunteers, conducting daily operations, and organising Regional events. This means that areas such as External Relations, Communication, Finance of the Region, or Impact, will continue to be part of routine operations of the Region. The same goes for projects that started between 2019-2022 and have not been concluded yet, such as the Impact of Scouting project. These projects will continue being worked on in the following years.

The content of the Regional Scout Plan submitted for approval of the Conference is based on the Regional Scout Plan working document of the 8th European Scout Symposium, adapted and completed with inputs and suggestions of Member Organisations recorded during the Symposium and other subsequent consultations.

Content proposal: 24ESC-01 (2022) Regional Scout Plan 2022-2025

The 24th European Scout Conference,

- *applauding* the improved approach to the development of the Regional Scout Plan 2022-2025, based on the evaluation of the framework employed for the previous exercise,
- *taking note* of the wide consultations undertaken during the process,
- *commending* all those involved in this important exercise,

Approves the Regional Scout Plan for the period 2022–2025 (as amended), included in Conference Document 5, and

Requests the European Scout Committee,

- **to complete** a feasibility review, inclusive of the Conference Resolutions which were approved,
- **to set up** an Operational Framework to implement the Regional Scout Plan, and
- **to deliver** the Regional Scout Plan – Action Plan with outputs and appropriate key performance indicators (KPIs) to Member Organisations by 31 January 2023.

Proposed by: European Scout Committee

Background Information Document

Prepared by the World Scout Bureau Europe Support Centre

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| Draft Resolution title: | Regional Scout Plan 2022-2025 |
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Policy Implications

This Draft Resolution has an impact on the following policies or issues in WOSM/NSOs:

- Strategy for Scouting – Vision 2023 and beyond.

The plan contributes to the achievement of the Strategy for Scouting – Vision 2023 by emphasising key aspects of the work of the Region in achieving the meta indicators of World Scouting and the Strategic Priorities of the Region which are largely aligned.

This particular Plan adds an important element of preparing the work for a Strategy of Scouting beyond 2023, by identifying the areas of major concern and interest for European Member Organisations and laying out a number of medium- and long-term directions of work.

Historical Background

The following historical resolutions, decisions or proposals are relevant when considering this Draft Resolution:

- World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-03: Approving the World Triennial Plan 2021-2024 and requesting the continued alignment across the Scout Movement
- European Scout Conference Resolution 23ESC-01: Approving the Regional Scout Plan 2019-2022 – “Growing together in Europe” and recognising the renovated approach to developing the plan
- The plan follows a previous pattern of the European Scout Region of developing a plan to help it achieve aspects of the Strategy for Scouting developed in 1999 and further developed since at Regional and World levels.

Resource Implications

To successfully carry out the Draft Resolution, the following estimated resources would be needed and are based on the initially proposed actions of the Regional Scout Plan which would need further refinement according to the decisions taken by the Conference and priorities set by the newly elected European Scout Committee.

To successfully carry out the Draft Resolution, the following estimated resources would be needed:

| Human | Financial |
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| Volunteers: 50 volunteers on an annual basis during each of the three years, with occasional further volunteering as planning team and occasional group members of 30 volunteers per year. | Estimated USD 1'500'000 for full implementation of all the proposed actions Total: USD 1'500'000 |
| Staff: 8 World Scout Bureau Europe Support Centre staff for the Triennium at 100% FTE | |
| External Resources (experts, trainers, consultants, etc.): 2 to 3 consultancies per year, through the large-scale funded projects. | |

24ESC-02 (2022) – Youth Involvement

Background

The European Scout Region always had a special interest and attachment to the area of youth development and participation in decision-making. This is shown in the diverse resolutions adopted in European Scout Conferences, but also with the inclusion of Youth Empowerment as one of the Strategic Priorities of the Region for the 2013-2016 Triennium.

During the last years, the topic of youth involvement has also been in the spotlight in WOSM as seen with the adoption of the Youth Involvement Policy at the 40th World Scout Conference in Slovenia, the inclusion of youth engagement as one of the first of the 12 WOSM Services and the work towards evolving the World Scout Youth Forum and Conference and the World Youth Adviser System in the past Triennium of the World level.

Youth involvement in the European Scout Region has followed a number of cycles, approaches and was at times determined as “organic” all the way to the national levels. Following a journey of priorities, practices, benchmarks and now principles, the European Scout Region has the opportunity to look back, assess the impact of the different past measures and approaches, and build on those that have led to success and concrete achievements in the area of youth involvement.

Content proposal: 24ESC-02 (2022) Youth Involvement

The 24th European Scout Conference,

- *recalling* World Scout Conference Resolutions 2021-05 on the Youth Engagement Strategy and 2021-07 on the Youth Adviser System and Youth Involvement in Decision-Making,
- *recognising* the ongoing process initiated by World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-06 on evolving the World Scout Youth Forum and World Scout Conference,
- *acknowledging* the different paths and traditions the European Scout Region has taken on youth involvement in the past,
- *emphasising* that delegations to the European Scout Conference can already include members under the age of 18 years old, and
- *highlighting* the character of the World Organization of the Scout Movement as a youth led and youth shaped movement,

Asks the European Scout Committee,

- **to enable** the European Scout Region to lead by example to promote youth involvement in decision-making spaces on all governance levels of Scouting,
- **to monitor** the development of discussions and decisions on youth involvement within the Movement, and
- **to evaluate** the regional approach in recent years and present to the next European Scout Conference a framework for youth involvement in the European Scout Region involving the outcomes of the World Scout Conference in 2024.

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Background Information Document

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| Draft Resolution title: | Youth Involvement |
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Policy Implications

This Draft Resolution has an impact on the following policies or issues in WOSM/NSOs:

- WOSM's Youth Involvement Strategy (2011)
- World Scout Youth Involvement Policy (2014)
- World Scout Youth Engagement Strategy (2021 - Conference Document 10)

Historical Background

The following historical resolutions, decisions or proposals are relevant when considering this Draft Resolution:

- World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-05 - [Youth Engagement Strategy](#)
- World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-06 - [Evolving the World Scout Youth Forum and World Scout Conference](#)
- World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-07 - [Youth Advisor System and Youth Involvement in Decision-Making](#)
- World Scout Conference Resolution 2014-09 - [World Scout Youth Involvement Policy](#)
- World Scout Conference Resolution 2011-08 - [Youth Involvement in Decision-Making in National Scout Organizations and Within WOSM](#)
- World Scout Conference Resolution 2008-14 - [Youth Involvement in Decision-Making](#)
- World Scout Conference Resolution 2002-06 - [Youth Involvement in Decision-Making](#)
- European Scout Conference Resolution 17ESC-11 (2001)- [Involving young people in decision-making in the European Scout Region](#) (p. 53-54)
- European Scout Conference Resolution 17ESC-12 (2001)- [Participation of young people in decision-making](#) (p. 53-54)

Resource Implications

To operationalise an evaluation of the regional approach to youth involvement, establish a monitoring system for the discussion and decisions on youth involvement within the Movement, and, as a result, formulate a framework to the next Regional Scout Conference, an in-depth and data-driven review would be required including a relevant amount of consultation and information gathering.

With the support of a dedicated task force, an external professional consultant, with the needed knowledge and skills, could be mobilised to frame and facilitate this work, processing the sources of information, identifying and recording past experiences and cycles, and extracting and projecting data to support the formulation of a proposal.

To successfully carry out the Draft Resolution, the following estimated resources would be needed:

Human

Financial

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| <p>Volunteers: A Task Force of a maximum of 4 members including coordinator</p> | <p>3 team meetings during the triennium: USD 10'200</p> |
| <p>Staff: 1 World Scout Bureau - Europe Support Centre staff at 25% FTE</p> | <p>Attendance to relevant meetings to gather information: 5 events during the triennium including targeted visits USD 12'500</p> |
| <p>External Resources (experts, trainers, consultants, etc.): 1 professional external consultant at 50% FTE</p> | <p>External Consultant Support: USD 30'000 during the triennium</p> <p>Total: USD 52'700</p> |



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24ESC-03 (2022) – Regional Registration Fees Review

Background

The last revision of the current model for the Regional Registration Fees was approved at the 18th European Scout Conference in Reykjavik in 2004. The decision was made to increase the fee for category D countries from CHF 0.19 to CHF 0.20 per member ([18ESC/2004 New European Fee Structure](#)). The per capita fee has since remained unchanged. In addition, the last major change was at the 21st European Scout Conference in Berlin in 2013, where it was decided to collect the Regional Registration Fees in Euro instead of Swiss Franc. During that Conference, and in light of the decision at the World Scout Conference in 2011, where the WOSM Registration Fees were frozen for the period of 2011-2020, it was also decided that the Regional Registration Fees were frozen based on the census figures of 31 December 2009 ([21ESC/5 Regional Fees](#)).

The Regional Registration Fees is one of the most important sources of income for the European Scout Region as the funds are unrestricted and can be used to unlock additional funding, e.g., in situations where a co-funding is required for an institutional funding opportunity or for covering administrative costs that are not covered by external funding. The Regional Registration Fees is different from the participation fees collected for Regional Scout Events. The Regional Registration Fees is an annual institutional registration fee paid by all Member Organizations on a yearly basis and is a prerequisite for voting at the European Scout Conference, unless remission or postponement has received prior authorisation from the European Scout Committee (Constitution of the European Scout Region - Article VI, item 1).

During the 2019-2022 Triennium, the European Scout Committee initiated a review of the Regional Registration Fees structure, with the purpose of analysing how a future fee model could look like, especially in the light of the work conducted by WOSM to propose an updated registration fee model at the World level. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and the impact on the Movement, the European Scout Committee decided to not move forward with a proposal to change the fee model, but instead continue the review process. Therefore, the proposal is to keep the Regional Registration Fees at the current level for 2022-2025, and to undertake a review of the fee structure during this triennium. This is also in line with World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-02, ensuring that the process for reviewing the Regional Registration Fee is aligned with the process for the registration fees at World level.

The review should be done by a Task Force appointed by the European Scout Committee, and a proposal should be made to the European Scout Conference in 2025.

The review of the Regional Registration Fees is done as part of a larger undertaking that the European Scout Committee has initiated, aiming to diversify and improve funding and fundraising capabilities of the Region. The aim is not to abolish the Regional Registration Fees, but to review and propose updates based on the current situation in the Region.

Content Proposals: 24ESC-03 (2022) Regional Registration Fees Review

The 24th European Scout Conference,

- *recalling* Conference Resolution 2013-05 to freeze the Regional Fees for all Member Organizations, *and*
- *noting* the World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-02 to continue the assessment of the proposed World level registration fee system developed in the 2017-2020 Triennium,

Requests the European Scout Committee

- to appoint a Task Force to review the current Regional Registration Fees system,
- **to continuously consult** and report back to the Member Organizations on progress made during the Triennium, and
- **to deliver** its final considerations and proposal for a future Regional Registration Fees system to the 25th European Scout Conference in 2025.

Proposed by: European Scout Committee

Background Information Document

Prepared by the World Scout Bureau Europe Support Centre

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| Draft Resolution title: | Regional Registration Fees Review |
| Proposed by: | European Scout Committee |

Policy Implications

This Draft Resolution has an impact on the following policies or issues in WOSM/NSOs:

- Constitution of the European Scout Region - Article VI: Financial Provisions

Historical Background

The following historical resolutions, decisions or proposals are relevant when considering this Draft Resolution:

- Current Regional Registration Fees system used by the European Scout Region:
 - *Cat.D: GNI > USD 9'386: annual fee per Member: EUR 0.13*
 - *Cat.C: USD 3'036 < GNIpc < USD 9'085: annual fee per Member: EUR 0.065*
 - *Cat.B: USD 766 < GNIpc < USD 3'035: annual fee per Member: EUR 0.033*
- World Scout Conference Resolution 2011-02: adopting the WOSM registration fee system from 2011-2012 until 2019-2020 (referencing [Conference Document 10](#) from 2011)
- World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-02: agreeing to continue the frozen annual fee until the fiscal year 2023-2024 and continuing assessment of the future fee proposal
- European Regional Scout Conference resolution 2013-05: Regional Fees (referencing [Conference Report](#) from 2013)

Resource Implications

To successfully carry out the Draft Resolution, the following estimated resources would be needed:

| Human | Financial |
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| <p>Volunteers: A Task Force of a maximum of 4 members including coordinator</p> | <p>5 meetings during the triennium: USD 17'000</p> <p>Attendance to key events (Symposium, IC Forum, etc) for consultations: USD 5'500</p> <p>WOSM Consultant support: USD 1'500</p> <p>TOTAL: USD 24'000</p> |
| <p>Staff: 1 World Scout Bureau - Europe Support Centre staff to support the work of the Task Force at 25% FTE</p> | |
| <p>External Resources (experts, trainers, consultants, etc.): WOSM Consultant in Good Governance (Finance)</p> | |

