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**Update on the  
27<sup>th</sup> APR Scout  
Conference  
February 2022  
Resolution**



## Executive Summary

This report presents the progress made by the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau Asia-Pacific Support Centre in addressing the Resolutions of the 27th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference for the period March 2022 – September 2025.

Significant advancements were achieved across all seven resolutions, focusing on **youth engagement, leadership representation, environmental sustainability, mental health, and organizational inclusiveness.**

Key highlights include the development and review of **National Youth Engagement Strategies**, strengthened **youth representation in decision-making bodies**, promotion of **Scouts for SDGs** and environmental education, initiatives on **mental health and well-being**, and the **revision of the RYR Coordinator Framework** to enhance youth communication and participation.

Through collaborative programs, regional workshops, surveys, and cross-sector partnerships, the region has made measurable progress toward empowering young people and supporting National Scout Organizations in achieving the goals set by the 27th APR Scout Conference. Detailed updates on each resolution are presented in the following sections.

**Update on addressing the 27<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Conference Resolutions  
from March 2022- September 2025**

02/22 Support on Developing, Reviewing and Refining National Youth Engagement Strategy	
Resolution	Updates
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- recognising Youth Engagement as a component of the core Educational Methods,</li> <li>- referencing the <i>World Youth Engagement Strategy</i> and <i>World Scout Youth Involvement Policy</i> which gives the direction of effective implementation of Youth Engagement,</li> <li>- acknowledging Item 5.3.2 in the <i>World Youth Engagement Strategy</i> to increase the number of National Policies on Youth Engagement, including clear structures, tools, processes, objectives, and indicators for all age sections and decision-making bodies.</li> <li>- requests that the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee support NSOs to localise, develop, or if appropriate, review and refine their own National Youth Engagement Strategy such that the same caters to the needs of their youth members.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• recommends that the aforesaid National Youth Engagement Strategy should:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. be closely linked with the National Youth Programme Policy, National Adults in Scouting Policy, and Terms of Reference/Constitutional requirements for Committees and governance structures of the NSOs;</li> <li>2. define the concept of Youth Involvement, Youth Engagement, and Youth Empowerment with the use of detailed descriptors at each level, with reference to <i>World Youth Involvement Policy</i> and <i>World Youth Engagement Strategy</i>;</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<p>A number of initiatives were introduced to support NSOs in localizing, developing, and reviewing their national youth engagement strategy with the conduct of regional and national events as listed below:</p> <p><b>Asia Regional Youth Leadership Training Course</b></p> <p>Two leadership training courses were separately organized between 2022 and 2024. The first was in Thailand in 2022, to be followed by Bangladesh in June 2024. The training was planned, organized and implemented by young people themselves with the support of WOSM consultants. It aimed to build high performing teams at all levels in Scouting, as well as develop young people to be more effective leaders in their communities. Thus, this training course enabled young people to gain discerning knowledge, acquire technical and leadership skills, and develop appropriate attitude through a collaborative and activity-based environment.</p> <p><b>APR Youth Mobilization Summit</b></p> <p>WOSM-APR initiated the first APR Youth Mobilization Summit involving five youth organisations: WOSM, WAGGGS, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, YMCA, and the Duke of Edinburgh International Award. Persekutuan Pengakap Malaysia hosted the Summit in Kuala Lumpur with over 150 youth representatives from 22 countries. The event explored opportunities to establish a collaborative, multi-stakeholder project among the young people focused on Sustainable Development Goals.</p>

3. identify learning opportunities for young people at all ages at Unit, District, Regional, and National levels;
4. recognise youth contribution and achievement
5. increase youth representation in decision-making bodies, including Committees and governance structures; and,
6. be implemented, monitored and reviewed at least bi-annually

This should be implemented by the end of the 2022-2025 triennium.

### **RIO: Let's Go Forward**

A webinar titled RIO: Let's Go Forward highlighted Scouting as a leading provider of non-formal education, attended by over 100 young people from 18 NSOs.

### **Review of Youth Forum Guidelines**

RYRs and the Youth Engagement Sub-Committee are in the process of reviewing and revising the current APR Youth Forum guidelines such that it will act as a baseline for NSOs to create their own guidelines

### **Support to NSOs**

A National Youth Involvement Workshop was organized for Pathfinder Scouts Vietnam with 50 local participants and one from the Philippines. The APR Youth Involvement Guide was launched at this event.

### **Asia-Pacific Region Sub-Regional Online Youth Forums Summary**

Over the past triennium, the Asia-Pacific Region successfully held four online sub-regional youth forums, engaging young Scout leaders across the region to promote collaboration, leadership development, and sustainable Scouting initiatives.

- **Northeastern Asia (April 2023):** 31 youth from six NSOs focused on non-formal education aligned with the Rio Declaration, enhancing Education for Sustainable Development competencies, and building lasting networks.
- **South Asia (December 2023):** Over 70 youth participants discussed leadership, community engagement, and Scouting's role in tackling global challenges.
- **Southeast Asia (October 2024):** More than 70 Scouts from 10 NSOs explored regional challenges, shared innovative ideas, and strengthened Scouting across the sub-region.
- **Oceania and the Pacific (August 2025):** Youth leaders from six NSOs united



	<p>to share experiences, foster collaboration, and address issues relevant to Scouting in the Pacific.</p> <p>These forums have been vital in empowering youth, building networks, and advancing sustainable development goals within the Asia-Pacific Scouting community.</p>
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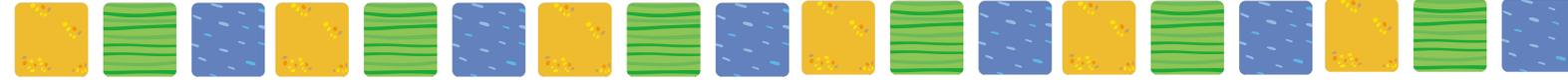
03/22 Ensuring Representation of Young Adults in Substantial National Decision-Making Bodies	
Resolution	Updates
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recognizing the importance of intergenerational collaboration and meaningful youth participation in decision-making,</li> <li>- acknowledging the <i>World Youth Engagement Strategy</i> which highlights the goal to increase youth engagement by including more young people in decision-making bodies at all levels of Scouting,</li> <li>- believing in the importance of aligning the regional Youth Engagement goals with the <i>World Youth Engagement Strategy</i>,</li> <li>- being aware that institutional push is needed to continue promoting the involvement of young people in decision-making,</li> <li>- reaffirming the <i>Asia Pacific Regional Plan 2018-2021</i> to involve young people under 30 in the decision-making process in their National Boards, Educational Methods, and/or Youth Program Committees.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopts the text contained in the <i>Youth Engagement Strategy</i> of the World Organization of the Scout Movement under Key Objective 3.4 - <i>“To increase the benchmark for ensuring a representation of at least 40% of young people in the different decision-making bodies at National, Regional and World levels of WOSM and Operational Frameworks and support their full engagement.”</i>;</li> </ul>	<p><b>Appointment of young people under 30 in the regional structure</b></p> <p>After the 2022 Regional Youth Forum, seven young adults were elected as Regional Youth Representatives (RYR). The elected RYR chairman became a voting member of the Regional Scout Committee. The other six RYRs were appointed as members of the six sub-committees.</p> <p>Apart from the RYR, at least one young adult under 30 years old was appointed to a regional sub-committee. Appointments were endorsed by NSOs resulting from an open call for regional volunteers before the conference.</p> <p>The Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee is further reviewing its existing criteria on the engagement of young people below 30 in the regional structure to further ensure appropriate representation.</p> <p><b>Appointment of young people under 30 in the national structure</b></p> <p>In all regional or national events supported by the region, particularly where the key NSO leaders are engaged, the engagement of young people in decision-making bodies is emphasized.</p> <p>During GSAT, under criteria 207, this matter is raised with the leadership, if found not within the standard.</p> <p>As a result, several NSOs in the region are either in compliance to the criteria or in the process of attaining the standard (<i>statistical report will be presented in the 28<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Conference</i>).</p>





<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requests that the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee support NSOs to ensure representation of 40% or a minimum of 2 members in every substantial National decision-making bodies are under the age of 30, such that young adults can actively take part in the decision-making process. All members of such groups will preferably also have equal voting and decision-making abilities.</li> <li>• Recommends that support from the Asia Pacific Regional Support Office and the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee may be in the form of intergenerational dialogue training, workshops, best practice sharing sessions, and/or seminars, as preparedness for NSOs in APR to progress towards this goal is varied.</li> </ul> <p>This should be implemented by the end of the 2022-2025 triennium</p>	<p><b>Regional Youth Representation</b></p> <p>The Chairman of the Regional Youth Representatives holds a seat on the Regional Scout Committee, while the other Regional Youth Representatives serve as members of the Subcommittees.</p>
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04/22	Measures on Promoting Environmental Sustainability, Social and Economic Issues in the Asia-Pacific Region	
Resolution	Updates	
<p>The Conference,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Acknowledging Resolution No. 2021-08 of the 42<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Conference that includes: <i>“The Conference requests the World Scout Committee and World Scout Bureau to set environmental sustainability as described in the SDGs as a key framework when developing the next Strategy for Scouting and recognize that stronger conservation efforts can help communities become more resilient from climate disasters and compensate for our environmental impact”,</i></li> <li>- Acknowledging Resolution No. 2021-08 of the 42<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Conference that includes: <i>“The Conference requests Member Organisations to ensure environmental education is better integrated into their National Programme, using Earth Tribe or other global and national initiatives”,</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Focus on Scouts for SDGs</b></p> <p>First in the series of Scouts for SDGs was held in Hong Kong in April 2023 followed by the Nepal in July. A national workshop on Scouts4SDGs was organized by Scouts of China supported by the Asia-Pacific Region. Focus was on the Better World Framework for participants to have a comprehensive understanding of the four thematic areas underscoring the Scouts4SDGs and the eight key competencies of Education for Sustainable Development. The workshop was a useful platform for knowledge exchange and collaboration towards a sustainable future.</p> <p><b>Implementation of WSB Environment Sustainability Project in APSC</b></p> <p>The AP Environment Champions project encourages the staff to develop a proactive culture</p>	



- Requests the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee to continue addressing environmental sustainability, social and economic issues as described in the SDGs as a key framework through the Objectives outlined in the *Asia Pacific Regional Plan 2022 - 2025* and other Objectives;
- Requests the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee to support stronger conservation efforts at the National level by promoting such conservation efforts through initiatives such as *Messengers of Peace* and *Scouts for SDGs*;
- Strongly urges all NSOs in the Region to localise the *Earth Tribe* initiatives and/or other environmental education programs to combat global warming and climate change
- *Requests the Regional Support Centre* to assist NSOs in the incorporation and localisation of *Earth Tribe* and/or the establishment of national environment programs through *WOSM Services*

of environmental sustainability and foster a community of best practices within OneWSB.

All efforts in this area should prioritize the mitigation of emissions and reduction of resource consumption. Examples of priority actions include:

- Avoiding practices that contribute to emissions
- Reducing practices that generate emissions
- Compensating for unavoidable emissions by adhering to the highest standards (e.g., offsetting flight emissions through tree planting initiatives facilitated by specific organizations)

### **SDG in posters and videos**

Greater awareness on SDGs was promoted making SDGs the theme of the 2022 APR photo contest focusing on SDG 14 (Life below Water) and SDG 15 (Life on Land). A video contest, an initiative by the Social Impact Sub-committee, was launched in 2023 to encourage greater involvement of Scouts through active citizenship in SDGs, Better World Framework, Messengers of Peace and Scouts of the World Award.

### **World Scouting Grants**

Projects related to SDGs were approved and completed in 2022 and 2023:

Completed: Scouting Education for Sustainable Development (Philippines)

Ongoing: Sustainable Development Village of 10<sup>th</sup> National Jamboree (Sri Lanka)

### **Scouts of the World Award Discovery**

Boy Scouts of the Philippines conducted a series of SWAs Discovery for Council Coordinators and Outfit Advisors around the whole country. The number of participants is more or less 140 leaders, volunteers, and professionals.



05/22 Production of a Report on Identifying Barriers to Meaningful Youth Participation in the Region and the NSOs	
Resolution	Updates
<p>The Conference,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recalling the 42nd World Scout Conference Resolution Number 2021-07, titled <i>“Youth Advisor System and Youth Involvement in Decision-Making”</i>,</li> <li>- Acknowledging Items 5.1.2 and 5.3.1 in the <i>World Youth Engagement Strategy</i> which state the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>“5.1.2 To support the content review and design of National Youth Programmes, so as to strengthen the application of all elements of the Scout Method and Youth Engagement through its implementation.”</i></li> <li><i>“5.3.1 To review all existing structures, mechanisms and systems at all levels with the aim of strengthening their potential contribution to increasing Youth Engagement in decision-making within the Scout Movement and outside of Scouting.”</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>- Recognising also the need to further Youth Involvement in the Region,</li> <li>• Requests the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee and Regional Support Centre to conduct a Survey amongst the NSOs in APR, and engage in intergenerational dialogue and discussions within NSOs to investigate institutional, structural, and cultural barriers to Youth Engagement and their possible solutions;</li> <li>• Requests the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee to identify opportunities available to further youth participation at the Regional and National levels and recommend actions that can be taken at these levels to increase meaningful youth participation based on the Report’s findings;</li> </ul>	<p><b>Global Survey on Youth Engagement in Decision-Making</b></p> <p>Before the regional survey, World Scout Bureau Global Support Centre undertook a survey on Youth Engagement in Decision-Making to identify institutional, structural, and cultural barriers to meaningful youth participation in WOSM’s decision-making processes. 93% of NSOs in the Region took part in the survey.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Regionwide survey Educational Methods Survey</b></li> </ul> <p>Support was provided to NSOs in adopting an integrated approach to implementing the Youth Programme, the Adults in Scouting life cycle, and other educational methods, emphasizing their crucial role in the sustainable growth of the Movement. To better understand current practices, a baseline survey was conducted, exploring key areas such as Diversity &amp; Inclusion, Youth Engagement, Integrated Approaches, and Scouts for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The findings were intended to guide NSOs toward developing more inclusive, engaging, and impactful programs.</p> <p>An overview of the survey results was presented to NSOs at the APR Scout Leaders Summit held in April 2024 in Thailand. The report offered valuable insights into existing practices and identified opportunities for improvement, assisting NSOs in fostering Scouting environments that promote global citizenship and contribute meaningfully to sustainable development.</p>



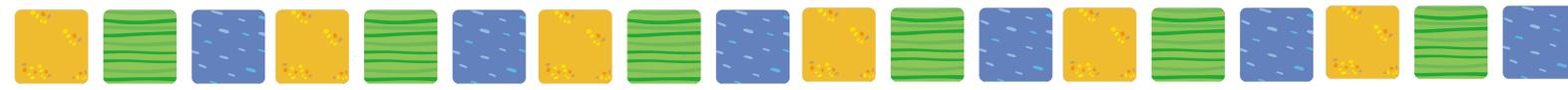
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requests the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee to recommend practical models and/or guidelines which can be applied by the NSOs in the APR to empower and engage young people in decision-making;</li> <li>• Requests the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee to produce a report on the findings of the surveys and discussions held within NSOs and the recommended action that can be taken in the Regional and National Level to further meaningful Youth Engagement at all levels. This Report shall be prepared by the Regional Support Centre before the commencement of the 28th Asia Pacific Conference.</li> </ul>	
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06/22 Implementation of Mental Health Awareness in Youth and Adult Programme	
Resolution	Updates
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Considering that Scouting is a Movement that facilitates the spiritual development of young people through non-formal education,</li> <li>- Acknowledging that adults play a supportive role to the youth,</li> <li>- Being aware of the exacerbation of mental health issues by COVID-19 pandemic,</li> <li>- Recognising the importance of educating youth on mental health awareness and equipping them with psychological first aid skills, including through Certification,</li> <li>- Noting that partnerships with professional mental health organisations are recommended for a more credible and relevant syllabus for Mental Health programmes,</li> </ul>	<p><b>Wellness and Safety in Scouting</b></p> <p>The <i>APR Awareness Workshop on Wellness and Safety in Scouting</i> took place virtually on 24-26 April 2023. Providing a safe space and environment in Scouting was at the forefront of discussions. The workshop engaged Scouts and Leaders about issues and concerns on mental health, wellbeing, and safety especially for young people. In attendance were 62 participants from 17 NSOs.</p> <p><b>Call for subject experts on mental health</b></p> <p>To foster mental health and well-being, the APSC released a circular (APR-C03-2024) requesting NSOs to identify subject experts on mental health and to nominate two experts per NSO.</p> <p>The Asia-Pacific Region has appointed 12 subject experts, who will play a crucial role in drafting tool kits and relevant documents towards the integration of disabilities, psychological</p>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adopts the text contained under the <i>Educational Methods Strategic Priority</i> of the <i>World Triennial Plan 2021-2024</i> - “Promote and provide guidance to NSOs to foster the resilience, well-being and mental health of young people, Adults in Scouting and local communities, linked with our overall Safe from Harm priority”;</li> <li>Strongly urges National Scout Organisations to implement Mental Health Awareness and Psychological First Aid into their respective National Youth Programme Policy and National Adults in Scouting Policy;</li> <li>Requests the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee to support National Scout Organisations with the inclusion of Mental Health Awareness into their respective National Youth Programme Policy and National Adults in Scouting Policy.</li> </ul>	<p>challenges, and mental health as components of diversity and inclusion.</p> <p>Confirmed subject experts received training on Safe From Harm and Listening Ear protocols. They were involved in the APR Network of Listening Ear. Further, the experts were involved as an expert panel of Diversity and Inclusion in APR.</p> <p><b>Asia-Pacific Health and Wellbeing Workshop</b></p> <p>From 2 to 5 July 2025, 42 participants from Nepal and the Philippines convened in Lalitpur for this youth-led workshop, which aimed to equip them with the skills necessary to implement the Health Allies Initiative and foster safer, more inclusive Scouting communities. This workshop formed part of the Network Solutions project in World Scouting, funded by the European Union in partnership with the Global Youth Mobilization under the Youth Empowerment Fund.</p>
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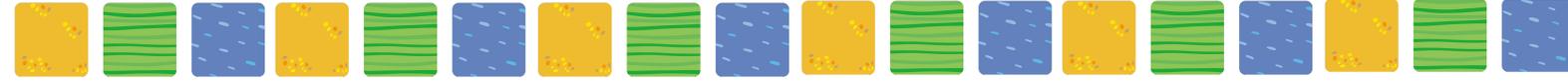
<b>07/22</b>	<b>Review of the YAMG Coordinator Framework</b>	
<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Updates</b>	
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>equipping effective and efficient communication between Regional Youth Representatives (RYRs) and the young people they are representing, a revised YAMG Coordinator Framework shall further empower more young people to develop decision-making competencies, and strengthen youth participation among different National Scout Organizations on a Regional level.</li> <li>further noting that this stakeholders' communication linkage will serve as a definitive conduit for a more accessible and engaging relationship between National Scout Organizations on youth involvement and decision making.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Call for nomination of National RYR Coordinator</b></p> <p>Following the recommendation of the 10th APR Scout Youth Forum to review on the RYR Coordinators Framework, the APR Scout Committee has approved the revised Terms of Reference of the RYR Coordinator.</p> <p>Through a regional circular (APR-C16-2023) released in December 2023, NSOs were requested to nominate one young person to serve as RYR coordinator – where there is no APR RYR member – for the period from January 2024 until the Regional Scout Youth Forum in 2025.</p> <p>The RYR National Coordinator is a youth member from each NSO whose major role is to serve as the contact person between the NSO and Asia-Pacific</p>	





<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>recommends the Regional Scout Committee to review and, if appropriate, revise the Young Adult Member Group (YAMG) Coordinator Framework;</li> <li>if appropriate, the revised YAMG Coordinator Framework shall have the effect of:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>further empowering more young people to develop decision-making competencies,</li> <li>strengthening youth participation among different NSOs on a Regional level, and</li> <li>ensuring effective and efficient communication between the RYR and the young people they are representing.</li> </ol> </li> <li>if appropriate, the YAMG Coordinators be renamed as "RYR Coordinators", following the change of title of the Young Adult Members Group (YAMG) to Regional Youth Representatives (RYR) during the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee meeting in 2019; and</li> <li>if appropriate, requests the rebranded RYR Coordinators shall come from the pool of young people who attended the APR Scout Youth Forum, or any youth member between 18 and 26 nominated by their respective NSOs (in case the NSOs do not participate in the APR Scout Youth Forum).</li> </ul> <p>This should be implemented at the start of the Triennium 2022-2025 and be reassessed by the end of the Triennium.</p>	<p>RYRs. The aim of this initiative is to increase communication and to establish a network between the elected RYRs and the NSOs, especially from among their youth members.</p>
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<b>08/22</b>	<b>Re-establish the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Moot</b>	
<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Updates</b>	
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>further providing an avenue for experience with activities on community development, and inspiring Scouts to learn more about other Scouts across the Region.</li> </ul>	<p>A task force was established to further explore the feasibility of reinstating the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Moot as a consistent regional event. After thorough analysis, the task force submitted its</p>	



- acknowledging an integration of skills and knowledge from Scouting which aims to suggest solutions to problems through replicable community service projects
- noting that a showcase of festivities of community development on how through various community service projects, Scouts can contribute to nation-building and sustainable goals.
- requests the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee to re-establish the consistency of the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Moot (“APRSM”) preferably every Triennium, and ensuring non-conflict with World Events;
- urges the Moot to have a showcase of festivities of community development in line with allowing young adults to explore and meet other Scouts in the Region with the goal to connect more NSOs;
- highly recommends the Asia-Pacific Region adopt the “WOSM Guidelines for the Hosting of the World Scout Moot” accordingly, and modifies if necessary, and acknowledging that the Region comprises a total of 30 NSOs;
- adopts the “Code of Conduct for Bidders of World Scout Events” for the bidding of the host of the APRSM. The bidding for the next Scout Moot can be done during the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference in each Triennium, and the Scout Moot shall in turn take place in the forthcoming Triennium.

This should be implemented within the 2022-2025 Triennium, and be reassessed every Triennium.

recommendations to the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee for consideration.

At its meeting on 23 April 2024, the Committee reviewed and acted upon Resolution No. 08/22, adopted during the 27th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference. This resolution emphasized the importance of re-establishing the Regional Scout Moot as a meaningful platform for youth engagement across the Asia-Pacific region.

In support of this resolution, the Committee made several key decisions to guide the future organization of the Regional Moot. Taking into account the diverse capacities of National Scout Organizations (NSOs), the Committee decided to discontinue the formal and regular bidding process. Instead, future Moots will be hosted by interested NSOs, recognizing that not all NSOs currently organize Moots, which presents challenges for maintaining a consistent triennial schedule.

The Committee also reaffirmed the practice of co-titling National Moots as Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Moots. Under this arrangement, NSOs may formally apply to the Regional Scout Committee for approval to co-title their national event. Unlike the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Jamboree, this process does not require additional endorsement from the Regional Scout Conference, thereby streamlining the procedure while ensuring adequate oversight.

Regarding scheduling, the Committee clarified that the Regional Moot may proceed even if other international events are scheduled in the same timeframe, provided those events differ in nature and target different age groups—for example, a Jamboree running concurrently with a Moot. This flexibility aims to broaden opportunities for youth participation across the region.

To further reduce the logistical and administrative burden on NSOs, the Committee resolved that the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Jamboree and the Regional Scout Moot will not take place in the same calendar year, regardless of participant age overlaps. This measure is intended to help NSOs



	<p>manage their resources and contingents more effectively.</p> <p>Through these decisions, the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee reaffirms its commitment to fostering inclusive, adaptable, and dynamic Scouting experiences for young people throughout the region. The revival of the Regional Moot reflects both a respect for tradition and a renewed dedication to empowering youth through meaningful and accessible regional events.</p> <p>These decisions were formally communicated to member NSOs via Circular No. APR-C17-2024.</p>
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<b>09/22</b>	<b>Extending Support to the existing three Sub-Regional bodies within Asia-Pacific Region</b>
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Resolution	Updates
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Acknowledging that the Asia-Pacific Region geographically covers a very wide area across the Indian Ocean, China Sea, East Sea and that of the Pacific Ocean and embodies about two-thirds of the world’s Scout population. Hence the Asia-Pacific Region, since the late 1980s has found it operationally viable and feasible to organize programmes and activities on a sub-regional basis and had systems in place such as Area Commissioners in the Pacific and in India,</li> <li>- Acknowledging the above reality and for all practical purposes, the Asia-Pacific Region, through one of its conference resolutions in the 1990s formally recognized and agreed to support the South Pacific Sub-Region which was then clubbed voluntarily under the name of the Council of South Pacific Scout Associations (CSPSA). Although this Sub-Regional body was a little dormant at the beginning, new initiatives were focused through some funding and through other partnerships and the regular series CSPSA Gatherings of Chief Commissioners. In addition, Management and other Training Courses</li> </ul>	



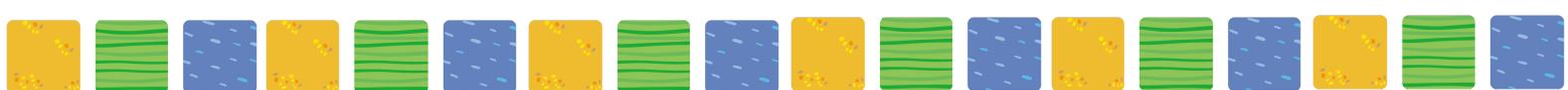
were attached to these CSPA Gatherings and these were organized regularly. These meetings were held on a rotational basis, technically hosted by different NSOs and much under the control and supervision of the Regional Support Centre, which was then called the Asia-Pacific Regional Office. These CSPA Gatherings and formal support, technically or otherwise, continue to be extended through the Regional Support Centre based in Manila,

- Acknowledging the above developments, and while this CSPA formal mechanism continues, other Sub-Regions have emerged and have been operating for the last 10 years or so. Two additional Sub-Regional bodies have received their own recognition within two Sub-Regional Government bodies namely ASEAN Association for Regional Cooperation (ASARC) as the South Asian Association of National Scout Organizations (SAANSO). These Sub-Region bodies are established and have their own mechanism to support the work of the Sub-Region organization with its own elected Office Bearers and holding the Chairmanship of the Sub-Region on rotation,
- Acknowledging the above, the three Sub-Regional bodies, namely CSPA, ASARC and SAANSO, jointly through this Conference Resolution:
  - Call upon the Regional Scout Committee to consider the following:
    - extend all possible support—to further strengthen these Sub-Regions in co-ordination and consultation with the Chairman and Executive Committee of these Sub-Regional bodies,
    - the Regional Support Centre to include in all Triennial Plans of the Regional Support Centre, programmes and activities specifically targeting the needs of these three Sub-Regions in consultation with the

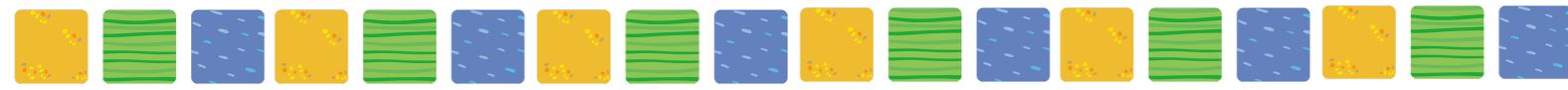
**Support to sub-regional gatherings**

The Region continues to support the three sub-regional structures through extending the possible support as requested.

The Regional Director attended two meetings of the Association of Southeast Asia Regional Cooperation (ASARC), first in Bangkok in



<p>three</p> <p>Sub-Regions,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the Regional Scout Committee members and Regional Support Centre senior staff members to make themselves available and to attend Sub-Regional activities held in these three Sub-Regions, when possible,</li> <li>- the Regional Support Centre to make provision in each of the Regional Chairman and Regional Directors Triennial Reports' to highlight the interventions and support extended to these three Sub-Regions.</li> </ul>	<p>September 2022 and in Davao City, Philippines in April 2023.</p> <p>In January 2024, APR executives supported the Council of South Pacific Scout Associations (CSPSA) at the capacity building workshop hosted by Scouts New Zealand in Hamilton.</p> <p>Forum discussions centered on good governance, resources development and future of CSPSA. At the forum, CSPSA NSOs shared their updates and drew their action plan for 2024-2026. Represented in the forum were Fiji, New Caledonia, Cook Islands, Australia, French Polynesia, and New Zealand.</p> <p>In August 2025 the Regional Director attended the South SAANSO meeting in Sri Lanka and ASARC Meeting in Malaysia.</p> <p><b>Visits and Support to NSOs</b></p> <p>The region carefully plans its calendar of activities. Visits of APR Scout Committee members and Support Centre team are based on WOSM Service requests, invitations, and support to APR events. Since the 27<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Conference, the following NSOs have been directly supported/visited:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="815 1279 1385 1653"> <thead> <tr> <th>Oceania</th> <th>South Asia</th> <th>Southeast Asia</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australia</li> <li>• Fiji</li> <li>• New Zealand</li> <li>• Solomon Islands</li> </ul> </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bangladesh</li> <li>• Bhutan</li> <li>• India</li> <li>• Maldives</li> <li>• Nepal</li> <li>• Sri Lanka</li> </ul> </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brunei Darussalam</li> <li>• Cambodia</li> <li>• Indonesia</li> <li>• Malaysia</li> <li>• Philippines</li> <li>• Thailand</li> <li>• Vietnam</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>Northeast Asia</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The General Association of Scouts of China</li> <li>• Korea</li> <li>• Hong Kong</li> </ul>	Oceania	South Asia	Southeast Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australia</li> <li>• Fiji</li> <li>• New Zealand</li> <li>• Solomon Islands</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bangladesh</li> <li>• Bhutan</li> <li>• India</li> <li>• Maldives</li> <li>• Nepal</li> <li>• Sri Lanka</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brunei Darussalam</li> <li>• Cambodia</li> <li>• Indonesia</li> <li>• Malaysia</li> <li>• Philippines</li> <li>• Thailand</li> <li>• Vietnam</li> </ul>
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11/22	Wearing and Use of the APR Scout Badge	
Resolution		Updates
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Noting that the Regional Scout logo has been used by our Region since the 1950s when we were then known as the Far East Region,</li> <li>- Acknowledging that we are proud to be identified as part of our Region, and so should our Regional Scout Committee members,</li> <li>- Noting the counter argument that all Regional Scout Committees should only wear the World Scout Badge to demonstrate unity,</li> <li>- Believing that unity is great, but unity in diversity is what makes Scouting unique, and the reason every NSO is allowed to have their own uniform and Scout logo,</li> <li>- Recognizing that we are still a one world body, the use of the Regional logo should be enhanced and not be allowed to be eradicated.</li> </ul> <p>The Conference recommends that the APR Scout Badge continues to be worn by Regional Scout Committee members on the right pocket of their regional Scout uniform, and the APR Scout Badge continues to be used in all official events, functions, publicity materials and correspondence.</p>		<p><b>APR Badge</b></p> <p>The APR Scout Badge continues to be worn by Regional Scout Committee members and APR staff on the right pocket of their regional Scout uniform.</p> <p>The APR Scout badge continues to be used in official events, functions, presentation templates, and social media in particular APR Facebook “Scouting in the Asia-Pacific Region.”</p> <p>Hereunder are social media posts using the APR badge from 2022 to present.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Various greetings for special occasions</li> <li>• Promotion of workshops, e.g. APR Branding and Management Workshop</li> <li>• Video for APR Awardees 2022</li> <li>• Promotion 32<sup>nd</sup> APR Scout Jamboree</li> <li>• Logo of 11<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Leaders Summit</li> <li>• Photo contest promotions 2024</li> </ul> <p>Here are recent publications and promotional materials using the APR Badge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exhibit materials for different national and regional events</li> <li>• Asia-Pacific Regional Youth Representatives 2022-2025: Midterm Report</li> <li>• APR New folders</li> <li>• APR Certificates for activities</li> <li>• APR Calendars</li> <li>• APR Foundation Membership forms</li> </ul>



12/22 Regional Committee Members' ties with their NSOs	
Resolution	Updates
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Acknowledging that having Regional Committee members who are actively serving in their NSOs must be seen as a strength, not a weakness,</li> <li>- Believing that we should encourage rather than discourage active senior leaders in our Region to serve in the Regional Scout Committee; whilst it also helps the Regional Scout Committee to be more engaged in our NSOs,</li> </ul> <p>The Conference requests that elected Regional Committee members continue to maintain strong ties with their own NSOs and shall not be required to terminate their existing positions or appointments in their NSO.</p>	<p>Elected Regional Committee members continue to maintain strong ties with their own NSOs.</p> <p>In all Asia-Pacific Regional bodies, there are no requirements to terminate members' existing positions or appointments in their NSO.</p>

13/22 Regional Scout Committee Members' engagement in GSAT	
Resolution	Updates
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Considering that as key leaders of the Region, RSC members must be actively engaged in the GSAT to have a first-hand knowledge of our NSOs, to understand their strengths and weaknesses so that they can make good recommendations and support the implementation of recommendations,</li> <li>- Noting that being actively engaged also enables our RSC members to gather and share best practices among our NSOs,</li> </ul> <p>The Conference recommends that Regional Scout Committee members be actively engaged in GSAT evaluations of NSOs and support the implementation of recommendations in the NSOs.</p>	<p><b>Involvement of Regional Scout Committee members in GSAT</b></p> <p>Scouts of China is the first NSO to use GSAT 3.0. Dr Yang, Chaur-Shin, RSC member, supported the Scouts of China assessment.</p> <p>NSO Thailand completed its WOSM Assessment in March 2024 with the direct involvement of Dr Somboon Bunyasiri, currently the Vice-Chairman of RSC and International Commissioner of NSOT.</p> <p>The GSAT Assessment report, giving due respect to the confidentiality aspect of the tool, is shared with RSC members who are expected to get engaged in their respective NSO on specific actions required to reach the standards in the GSAT criteria.</p>



14/22	Support for the ongoing development of work for Safe from Harm	
Resolution	Updates	
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Noting the progress against resolution 9/18 Safe from Harm where the Asia Pacific Region helped two National Scout Organisations to establish a Safe from Harm Policy, and provided extensive training to staff, volunteers and consultants on Safe from Harm.</li> <li>- Acknowledging the Constitutional Amendment to Admission of Membership section that was passed at the World Scout Conference 2021; “Demonstration that, by the quality of its leadership, <i>its policies and procedures</i> to ensure a safe environment for children, young people and adults in Scouting, the organisation of its leader training, the size of its membership and its resources, it is self-sufficient and capable of providing adequate services to its members and assuming all obligations of a Member Organisation.”</li> <li>- Recalling that World Scout Conference Resolution 2021-D states that National Scout Organisations have been given until 2025 to have policies and procedures in place that ensure a safe environment for children, young people and adults in Scouting, as a condition of WOSM membership.</li> <li>• Requests that the Asia Pacific Region provide targeted support to the National Scout Organisations’ to support the implementation of a Safe from Harm Policy and procedures to ensure a safe environment for young people, such that it complies with the regulatory laws of the country that the National Scout Organisation resides in.</li> <li>• Strongly urges all National Scout Organisations in the Asia-Pacific Region to</li> </ul>	<p><b>WOSM Service</b></p> <p>Four NSOs have requested and completed Safe from Harm service from WOSM: Bangladesh, Brunei, Bhutan and Sri Lanka.</p> <p><b>APR Survey</b></p> <p>The Educational Methods survey covers areas of Educational Methods including Safe from Harm.</p> <p><b>Safe from Harm Requirements from NSOs</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Self-Assessment submission</b> To date, <b>55%</b> of NSOs have submitted their Safe from Harm Self-Assessment, amounting to <b>18 out of 33</b> NSOs in the region. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed – 18 NSOs</li> <li>• Partial – 5 NSOs</li> <li>• No submission – 10 NSOs</li> </ul> </li> <li>ii. <b>Annual Reporting elements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SfH Contact Person: 14 NSOs</li> <li>• National SfH Policy: 10 NSOs</li> <li>• National SfH Procedures: 10 NSOs</li> </ul> </li> <li>iii. <b>Reviews conducted by the Safe from Harm Regional panel</b></li> </ol> <p>The Safe from Harm Regional Panel has completed reviews for <b>16 out of 18</b> NSO Self-Assessment submissions to date, with the remaining 2 reviews expected to be finalized by the end of this month. These reviews provide NSOs with constructive feedback and recommendations, while also identifying areas that may require further support to meet Safe from Harm compliance — such as enrolling in a capacity-building module or submitting a WOSM service request.</p>	





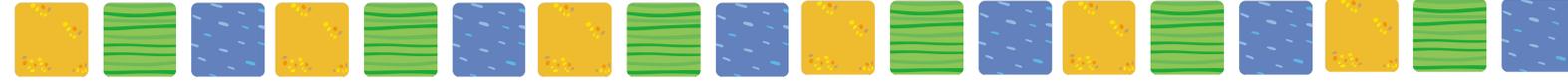
<p>have a Safe from Harm Policy by 2025.</p> <p>Requests that the Asia Pacific Region convenes accessible conferences so that every NSO may attend to learn and share best practices for Safe from Harm.</p>	<p><b>Training on Safe from Harm</b></p> <p>The Asia-Pacific Region (APR) remains steadfast in its commitment to advancing the Safe from Harm (SfH) agenda across its operations and those of its National Scout Organizations (NSOs). In alignment with the World Safe from Harm Policy, the Region has actively promoted its educational framework and strengthened compliance mechanisms at both regional and global events. Seventeen NSOs have undergone the SfH assessment, with 15 already reviewed and two currently under evaluation. A series of key initiatives have been launched to institutionalize SfH practices, including SfH Week in May 2024, which featured global awareness campaigns and mandatory staff training. Capacity-building efforts have been further supported through regional workshops such as the SfH Policy Development and Listening Ear Training in Mongolia, the National Workshops in the Philippines and Thailand, and specialised assessment and policy refinement sessions in Thailand, Malaysia, and Hong Kong. These events emphasized the development of safeguarding policies, risk analysis, and the establishment of Listening Ear support networks. Collectively, these actions reflect the Region’s proactive approach to embedding SfH principles into the structure, culture, and daily practices of Scouting, thereby fostering a safer and more supportive environment for all young people.</p>
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<b>15/22</b>	<b>Implementation of Listening Ear Support Network in NSOs</b>	
<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Updates</b>	
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recognizing that the “Listening Ears” (LE) System which was first introduced in the 22nd World Scout Jamboree 2011 and subsequently implemented in the following two world jamborees. Albeit only used in a camp setting for psychological support previously, the LE Support Network can be expanded in the Scouting</li> </ul>	<p><b>Listening Ear Support Framework</b></p> <p>Gerakan Pramuka/Indonesia implemented the Listening Ear mechanism during the National Jamboree in August 2022.</p>	





<p>Movement's day-to-day Safe from Harm best practises and approaches,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Considering the increasing importance of mental wellbeing among the youth and community,</li><li>- Being aware of the exacerbation of mental health issues by COVID-19 pandemic,</li><li>- Acknowledging the S.C.O.U.T. - Listening Ear Model approach from WOSM's Safe from Harm Modular Training Programme: SfH module "From Talking to Walking" and past World Scout Jamboree Listening Ear best practices,</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requests the Asia Pacific Regional Scout Committee to support the development of a Listening Ear (LE) Support Network in NSOs to enhance mental health support, to promote mental health awareness and to strengthen WOSM's Safe from Harm approach;</li><li>• It is further recommended that the Listening Ear (LE) Support Network in NSOs includes initiating, supporting and overseeing the implementation of safe spaces for Scouts and providing a platform to have conversations where the LEs listen and/or offer advice through a dedicated means of communication;</li><li>• This network will serve as the first point of contact in psychological first aid which will be further supported by consultations with mental health professionals if deemed necessary.</li></ul> <p>This should be implemented by the 28th Asia Pacific Regional Scout Conference.</p>	<p>Bangladesh Scouts instituted a Listening Ear support during the 32<sup>nd</sup> APR Scout Jamboree in January 2023.</p> <p>Scouts of the Philippines conducted in 2024 a national workshop to review and develop their Safe from Harm policy including the development of Learning Ear Support Framework.</p> <p><b>Invitation for Safe from Harm experts</b></p> <p>As mentioned above, NSO representatives who were chosen as subject experts on Safe from Harm will receive training on Listening Ear protocols and the chance to be involved in the APR Network of Listening Ear.</p>
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16/22	Adoption of APR Plan 2022-2025	
Resolution		Updates
<p>The Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Acknowledging Conference Resolution 12/18 point 3 that states “Recommends that the next Regional Triennial Plan (2021-2024) is fully aligned with the upcoming World Triennial Plan 2020-2023 in order to achieve WOSM Vision 2023”</li> <li>- Recognizing the contribution of NSO leaders to the APR Plan 2022-2025 at the 10<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Leaders Summit in 2021 after reviewing the World Triennial Plan 2021-2024 and providing input for the upcoming Regional Plan.</li> <li>- Acknowledging the work of APR Sub-Committees in reviewing the outcomes of the Summit and drafting the Regional Plan Objectives, KPIs, and Action Steps</li> <li>- Acknowledging the various provisions in the conference resolutions of the 27<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Conference are taken care of before finalizing the APR Plan</li> <li>- And further recognizing that participants of the 27<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Conference have had the opportunity to discuss the Draft Plan and raise additional recommendations.</li> </ul> <p>The Conference endorses the APR Plan 2022-2025 and approves it in principle with a provision that the Regional Scout Committee takes into account the measures called upon in the various conference resolutions of the 27<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Conference including the input of the Conference Breakout Group discussions and also considers any additional input coming from NSOs until 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022.</p>		<p><b>Adoption, Implementation, Monitoring and Midterm Assessment</b></p> <p>The APR Plan 2022-2025 was adopted at the 27<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Conference in February 2022, and all measures including the input of Breakout Group discussions were taken into account by the Regional Scout Committee.</p> <p>The Region continues the cycle of implementation, monitoring and reporting of the Plan. A midterm review of its progress is took place at the 11<sup>th</sup> APR Scout Leaders Summit in April 2024.</p> <p>The Asia-Pacific Region has demonstrated impressive accomplishments under the Asia-Pacific Region Plan 2022-2025, achieving an overall progress of 93%. Key metrics highlight the successful completion of 13 out of 25 objectives, 20 out of 45 key performance indicators (KPIs), and 58 out of 104 action steps. Notably, sub-committees have excelled in their respective areas, with Governance achieving 98%, Communications &amp; External Relations at 96%, Educational Methods at 95%, Social Impact at 94%, Youth Engagement 91%, and Diversity and Inclusion 81%.</p>



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