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Invitation to the Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop: "From Policy to Practice – Strengthening Safe From Harm Procedures and Reporting Mechanisms"

To: Chief Commissioners
International Commissioners
Chief Scout Executives

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from the Asia-Pacific Support Centre!

World Scouting calls all National Scout Organizations (NSOs) to have a Safe From Harm Policy in place by 2025, and we encourage NSOs across the Region to take proactive steps in implementing and enhancing their own policies, Codes of Conduct, and reporting mechanisms.

We are pleased to announce that Persekutuan Pengakap Malaysia will host the Asia-Pacific Region Workshop: "From Policy to Practice – Strengthening Safe From Harm Procedures and Reporting Mechanisms," scheduled from 27–30 May 2025 in Subang Jaya, Malaysia.

By the end of the event, participants will be able to:

- Strengthen the capacity of NSO representatives in implementing Safe From Harm procedures;
- Develop or enhance effective and culturally appropriate reporting and response mechanisms;
- Share good practices and case studies from across the region;
- Foster collaboration among NSOs to ensure child and youth protection standards are met; and
- Align national policies with WOSM's Safe From Harm framework.

Participants in this workshop are also expected to develop a roadmap on Safe from Harm for the NSO's action.

## **Key Details:**

**Dates:** 27–30 May 2025 (Participants are expected to arrive on the evening of 26 May and may depart in the evening of 30 May.)

**Venue:** Subang Jaya, Malaysia (The exact venue will be shared with confirmed participants in due course.)

**Eligibility:** Ideal participants include NSO staff such as Safe From Harm Coordinators, senior-level Commissioners, and interested volunteers. Candidates should possess:

- A basic understanding of, or an existing draft/approved NSO Safe From Harm Policy;
- Knowledge of their NSO's Code of Conduct and relevant national regulations;
- The authority and capacity to lead, implement, or strengthen Safe From Harm procedures and reporting mechanisms.

**Workshop Fee:** The fee will be **USD 300.00**, which will cover local transport between the airport and venue, meals from breakfast on 27 May to lunch on 30 May, shared accommodation from 26–30 May, and workshop materials.

**Payment Instructions**: Payment details and invoice information will be provided upon receipt of your registration.

**Registration Deadline:** Please complete the registration form using the link below **by 12 May 2025**: <a href="https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/845e1e673c7d4a1ab460e3d2e14fb1eb">https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/845e1e673c7d4a1ab460e3d2e14fb1eb</a>

As mandated by the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee on 17 April 2024, all adults participating in regional events must hold a valid Safe From Harm Certificate. Submission of this certificate is required to confirm participation in the workshop and will be done through the registration link above.

For questions or further information, please contact Ms. Ili Batrisyia Yahya <nur.iliyahya@scout.org> or Mr Lance Iverson Bon Papa <lance.papa@scout.org>.

We look forward to your active participation in this important initiative to help create safer Scouting environments across our region.

With best regards,

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## Attachments:

• General Information for Participants