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**Asia-Pacific Workshop on Scouts for SDGs:
Empowering NSOs through Education for Sustainable
Development (ESD)**

Dear Colleagues,

Warm greetings from the Asia-Pacific Support Centre!

The Asia-Pacific Regional Strategy and Triennial Plan 2025–2028 serves as the strategic framework guiding the development and delivery of Scouting across our Region. Fully aligned with the global Strategy for Scouting, the APR Plan emphasises competency-based education to ensure that Scouting remains relevant and responsive to the evolving needs of young people and their communities.

Within this framework, Innovate Education and Guarantee Safety and Well-being are identified as key Strategic Priorities. These priorities call on National Scout Organizations (NSOs) to strengthen their Youth Programmes through the intentional integration of learning experiences that empower young people to contribute to peaceful, inclusive, and resilient communities.

In line with these priorities, we are pleased to inform you that the Scout Association of Hong Kong will host the:

Asia-Pacific Workshop on Scouts for SDGs: Empowering NSOs through Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) on 5–8 September 2026 in Hong Kong

This four-day in-person workshop is designed to support NSOs in strengthening their Youth Programme through the intentional integration of learning opportunities offered by WOSM initiatives—particularly Scouts for SDGs. The workshop will focus on enabling both young people and adults to advance peace, environmental sustainability, skills for life, and health and well-being, while developing the competencies required to act as responsible and engaged global citizens.

A key feature of the workshop will be dedicated time for NSOs to analyse their current Youth Programmes and develop practical, context-specific action plans for national implementation.

Event Details

Date: **5–8 September 2026.** Participants will need to **check-in on 4 September** and check-out on 8 September 2026 before noon. Check-in time is 15:00H. Participants are expected to check out on 8 September 2026, with departures scheduled in the afternoon onwards.

Event Fee: **USD250.00**, which covers accommodation (twin sharing for 4 nights), meals during the event (from dinner on 4 September until lunch on 8 September 2026), local transportation from airport to venue and back.

An additional cost of USD250 for 4 nights will be charged for those who wish to stay in a single room. Kindly inform Scout Association of Hong Kong should you prefer a single room upon application.

Proposed Venue: BP International, Scout Path, Austin Road, Hong Kong

Mode of Delivery: In-Person / Face-to-Face

Eligibility: NSOs are invited to nominate participants who are directly involved in Youth Programme development and implementation, such as:

- National Programme Commissioner (or equivalent)
- Key national-level Commissioners or volunteers involved in Youth Programme
- Full-time executives responsible for Youth Programme

Working Language: English. To facilitate a smooth and productive discussion, NSOs are kindly encouraged to nominate participants who possess a good command of English.

Registration: NSOs are requested to submit the names of their participants **not later than 30 June 2026** in the link below. Late applicants would not be entertained.
<https://forms.gle/w5sKYxcjp5mQw6SX7>

Note: *For your travel preparations, we have provided the link below to the provisional programme, which outlines the start and end of the workshop.*

Please note that the usual half-day educational tour will not be included. Participants who may wish to explore Hong Kong are welcome to do so independently, outside of the workshop schedule.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1umnwQgFD5MCGX8XV1FvKn1EIodFSfolb?usp=sharing>

NSOs are strongly encouraged to nominate suitable participants and to disseminate this information across their national and sub-national networks. This workshop presents a valuable opportunity to further strengthen Youth Programmes and advance the integration of Scouts for SDGs across the Region.

To encourage diversity and broader representation, each NSO may nominate up to three participants. Kindly note that confirmation of participation will be subject to the availability of slots, with a maximum of 30 participants.

We thank you for your continued cooperation and look forward to your NSO's participation.

With best regards,

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