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To: International Commissioners in participating associations¹ in all Region WAGGGS
To: Regional Directors in the Asia Pacific, Africa and Western Hemisphere regions WAGGGS

“YOUNG WOMEN LEADING FOR A GREENER FUTURE” A WLDP event organised by the Europe Region in cooperation with Sangam

We are happy to inform you that our application was successful and that all those who made an effort in sending the partnership agreements have now the opportunity to take part in the **2012 Young Women Leading for a Greener Future**

The Europe Region and Sangam are happy to invite you to nominate a young woman to participate to the 2012 Young Women Leading for a Greener Future.

Composed of **different phases**, the project will have at its core a **training event** due to take place in **Sangam World Center (Pune, India) from the 14 and the 20 March 2012.**

For more information about the venue you could visit the website: www.sangamworldcentre.org.

¹ Associations that answered the call for partnership agreement launched by the Europe Region in April 2011

Summary of the project

Basing on the principle “together we can save our planet”, the project will address the active role of women in society, youth involvement and contribution to the achievement of the MDGs 7: “Ensure environmental sustainability”. The aim of the project is to empower youth leaders and workers, and in particular young women, to educate, speak out, act and motivate others to take action for a greener planet. The main objectives are to foster the leadership skills of youth leaders, to educate them in areas related to global environment and to initiate local, regional and national projects on Global Environmental Challenges and MDG 7 in participating countries, and through networking and promotion, amongst all WAGGGS member organisations.

Young Women Leading for a Greener Future project will be delivered through a series of activities that will involve young people in the preparation and implementation of all phases. After a first “Pre training event” activity using WAGGGS resources on Climate Change, MDG 7 and other Environmental Challenges, the project will continue through the preparation and design of training modules and event in which the young people will conduct peer education actions that focus on leadership and advocacy on environmental matters. The participants will then be further trained on the same areas during a High profile training event on “Leadership for a greener planet”; during the training existing leaders will be able to learn how to lead others in complex situations, promote environmental sustainability by becoming role models and motivating others to get involved, develop advocacy and community projects dedicated to MDG 7. On their return home, the participants will work on environmental awareness projects at national level while the project promoters will work on a training module focused on environmental sustainability and the achievement of MDG 7.

The main venue of the project will be in **Sangam, Pune (India)** where 46 participants from 42 countries will meet and work together to develop their international leadership and advocacy skills, gain a deeper understanding of MDGs 7 and develop follow-up advocacy and community projects.

We shall achieve our objectives through the production of the following results:

- training 46 leaders on Global Environmental Challenges and MDG 7
- motivating leaders to get involved in their association and/or communities and multiply the results of the project by networking and exchanging practices and challenges
- supporting leaders in designing and developing environmental advocacy actions after the training event and in the future
- supporting leaders to influence decision making in their associations, communities and countries in a way to get partner associations and decision makers at different levels involved in environmental campaigns and programmes

Trained leaders and a network dedicated to environmental projects and work will foster the participation of young people in their organisations as well as communities and enable them to become agents of change in relation to matters that are crucially connected with their future and development. Networking and exchanging information, receiving high profile training in an international setting and using the momentum to deliver projects within their communities have proved to be powerful educational tools that can ensure long lasting results in the participating associations and, as secondary result, in the communities where they are active. The leaders will then ensure a multiplying effect in their countries.

The main activities for participants will be:

Pre training event activities – using WAGGGS resources on Climate Change, MDG 7 and other Environmental Challenges: all young leaders participating in the project will be asked to use WAGGGS resources on Climate Change, MDG 7 and other Environmental Challenges in their own countries.

High profile training event on “Leadership for a greener planet”: the training event will be a very high level international training course based on non formal education principles where existing leaders will be able to learn how to lead others in complex situations, handle change, promote environmental sustainability by becoming role models, develop advocacy projects that can affect the life of girls and young women and become multipliers inside their association and communities.

Advocacy actions on Global Environmental Challenges and MDG 7: During this phase participants will develop a peer to peer structure where their ideas and proposals for the future will be shared and developed. Partner associations commit to support young leaders in this phase.

Production of the project final report: after all activities are completed and before the end of the project cycle the project coordinator shall work on the compilation and production of the final project report. She shall involve participants, trainers, partner associations and WAGGGS personnel in this work as deemed necessary.

Anne van Nistelrooij (anne@europe.wagggsworld.org) was nominated as project coordinator by the Europe Region WAGGGS; she will coordinate the contributions of all participants and ensure the smooth implementation of the project. All participants will be requested to fully take part in all actions of the projects and to engage in a real leadership development path. The training event can be considered as one part of the project but everybody will be requested to commit to a full participation.

Associations will need to ensure the participation of the young woman they nominate.

All communications between participants, nominating associations and the Regions should be addressed to Anne.

Participants and selection criteria

To ensure the best possible results and the full achievement of the objectives, the organizers have set selection criteria to be respected when nominating participants. Please note that your nominees may not be accepted if they do not respect the criteria below:

- Participants are under 30
- Participants speak English and can work and communicate in one of these languages
- Participants have understanding of what leadership is and have already had a leadership experience
- Participants will be interested in the MDGs in particular MDG 7 Ensure environmental sustainability and will have had previous experience as participants or leaders in advocacy projects at local, regional or national level.
- Participants have already experienced service at national level in their association (as board members, members of specific working groups, etc)
- They are volunteers or staff in their association

Deadline for application and contact

Deadline to send application form to Anne van Nistelrooij at anne@europe.wagggsworld.org is the **1st December 2011**. Please note that applications will be screened according to the criteria set by the organizers of the project and that nominated participants will only be accepted if they match all criteria. In case your application does not fulfill the requirements stated above in this letter, the organizers will contact you in order to identify another young woman.

Participation fees

In order to cover all the costs related to the project, all participants are requested to pay a participation fee. Participation fees have been set according to the wealth of participating countries and MO and are as following:

90€ for all member organizations in the Europe Region WAGGGS, the USA and Canada

35€ for all other member organization

The fee should be paid before the **1st January 2012** to the Europe Region WAGGGS (bank details will be provided in the confirmation letter). The fee is not refundable after you have been confirmed by the organizers².

² In case of "force majeure" the organisers may decide to reimburse the fee.

Reimbursements

Travel costs will be covered for all participants joining the all project. Reimbursements will be provided according to the rules and criteria set by the main funder of the project and up to a certain amount (amounts are specified below). Participants shall be reimbursed at the end of the WLDP event due to take place in

March 2012 in Sangam. In case you have problems advancing the costs, please state so in your application form. Participants will be requested to provide full and original justification of all travel costs incurred. More information will be available in the confirmation letter. Other costs may be reimbursed at a later stage depending on further fund raising activities and more information will be available in the confirmation letter.

Maximum reimbursement for travel costs to Sangam (Pune, India) in March 2011

Please note that:

- Every association can nominate only one participants
- The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association can nominate three participant
- The indicated amounts include all travel costs from home to Sangam and back

Participating association	<u>Maximum amount reimbursed for travel costs in €</u>
Asociacion Guias Argentina	1500
Girl Guides association of Belize	1300
Association Nationale de Guides de Burkina	955
Association des Guides du Tchad / AGT Africa Region	1200
Asociación de Guías y Scout de Costa Rica	1300
JUNAK Association of Scouts and Guides Czech republic	630
The Danish Guide and Scout Association (DDS)	655
The Green Girl Guides Denmark	655
Asociación Nacional de Guías Scouts del Ecuador (ANGSE)	1300
Suomen Partiolaiset – Finlands Scouter	680
Scout Association of Girl Guides of El Salvador	1500
Eesti Gaidide Liit	700
Fédération du Scoutisme Français	760
Girl Guides Association of Grenada	1300
The Gambia Girl Guides Association (TGGGA)	955
Verband Christlicher Pfadfinderinnen und Pfadfinder	750
Catholic Guides of Ireland	780
Irish Girl Guides	780
Federazione Italiana dello Scouting F.I.S.	675
Latvian Scout and Guide Central Organization	865
Mpanazava Eto Madagasikara	1180
Fanilon'I Madagasikara	1180
Malta Girl Guides	800
Nepal Scout	500
Federeación de Muchachas Guías de Nicaragua	1300
Norges KFUK-KFUM-speidere/The YWCA – YMCA Guides and Scouts of Norway	710
Muchachas Guias de Panama	1240
Girl Scout of the Philippines	680
Association de Guides du Rwanda	850
Guides du Senegal	910
Girl Guides Singapore	400

Slovensky skauting	650
Zdruzenie slovendkin katoliskin skavinj in skatov – Slovenian Catholic Girl Guide and Boy Scouts Association	700
Sri Lanka Girl Guides Association	300
Svenska Scoutradet	600
Pfadibewegung Schweiz / Movement Scout de Suisse	900
The Girl Guide Association of Thailand	400
Association de Guides de Togo	1040
Girlguiding UK	625
Girl Guides Association of Zimbabwe	1200
Girl Guides Association Malaysia	600
The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association	1800 (for three participants)