



1st World Scout Education Congress

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HONG KONG

SCOUTING: EDUCATION FOR LIFE.

What kind of education?
What kind of life?

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Dear fellow Scouts,

Our mission faces a challenge today. Our relevance is questioned. We, as scout leaders, have a responsibility towards our NSOs to ensure that we educate the future generations in such a way that the Movement remains a cornerstone of society.

The World Scout Education Congress in Hong Kong will address three topics: the life and society we prepare for, the education we provide and the impact of Scouting in the life of young people and communities.

The WSEC creates a platform of interaction between scouts from diverse cultures and generations, whether in place or online. Scouting's cause - Education for Life will be discussed and elaborated on through a number of workshops and activities where ideas can be freely exchanged. The reports from these workshops and activities will communicate the outcomes of the Congress to a wider audience.

Your participation at this event is very important for the Movement and its future. The cultural diversity of the participants, intergenerational dialogue, the various topics that are open for discussion such as leadership, competencies and skills for life, non-formal education, the scout method, trends in youth and education, scouting's unity and identities... all combine together in order to ensure that this event becomes a landmark.

As a Youth Advisor to the World Scout Committee, it has been my experience, while working on several projects that the voice of youth is sought after by members of the World Scout Committee. Thus, I encourage young leaders to participate in the Congress whether physically or online.

By exchanging their ideas with other participants and discussing each other's views, this could lead to an improvement in the way education in Scouting is dealt with. Young leaders are very aware of the global trends that are affecting the world today, and with their innovative ideas, they could shape the future by making the Scout Method more attractive and relevant in the 21st century.

An online platform will be available to participants through electronic devices and will offer live-streaming, social media, blogging, etc. In short, making virtual participation as close as possible to actual.

You are the future of the world. The Congress is a unique opportunity to have a say in shaping the future of the World Scout Movement and in improving your NSO, all for the purpose of better dealing with the core business of scouting: Education for Life.

Yours in scouting,

SARAH RITA KATTAN
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WSEC PLANNING TEAM MEMBER

A Global City

As we are aiming at having this Congress as a milestone of the history of Scouting Education, it should be unique in everything. In this first episode of the World Scout Education Congress, all participants will live in the Congress as citizens of a Global City, where all countries participating are just neighbourhoods in this City.

The idea is to strengthen our Scouting bonds through our values and through our thoughts about education, ideas and discussions in the roads, streets and corners of the City. In this symbolic framework, you will have the opportunity to choose your own way around in our Global City.

CITY DISTRICTS

In each of the three days, you will visit one of the Global City districts that symbolise one of the main areas defined for the Congress - "Education", "Society" and "Impact of Scouting". Each morning, we will arrive to one of the districts by a huge helicopter, which will show us a broad perspective of the district (the main theme of the day). This helicopter will be driven by a plenary keynotes address from a major speaker, who will present an innovative view on the theme of the day.

In a city bustling with energy, mornings and afternoons are full of activities, and here's just a little taste of what awaits for you there:



BUSY MORNINGS...

After landing, every citizen will have the opportunity to:



The Central Square

Enter inside the walls and choose a stroll in the "Central Square" (with a presentation from one of the themes of the day from guests representing government organisations and/or NGOs)



University

Go up to the "University" (with an input from representatives of the academic world)



Library

Head to the "Library" (with a perspective from a researcher or an expert)



Stock Exchange

Get excited in the "Stock Exchange" (where a session is organised by people representing the business or economic world).

There will be plenty of opportunities to stop at "cafés" and at some "street corners" to chat with your peers about the input received and what it means in the real world, back home.

AND EVEN BUSIER AFTERNOONS!

After lunch, all citizens will have free options to shop ideas and to exchange thoughts in "The Market", where products of all sizes and colours are available to you. This is the heart of the City, where people discuss real Scouting, concrete ideas and form long-lasting relationships. Based on your needs and interests you can choose from:

- Round Tables and Think Tanks,
- Panel Discussions,
- Training Sessions,
- Workshops,
- NSO-led Sessions (where any NSO can propose a topic to be shared in this place).



The Market

Every day, the Market of the district will open doors after lunch and will see 8 to 12 different sessions

Here's a sneak-peak to just some of the topics you can "buy" in these shops:

- The Future of Education is Outside the Classroom
- Faith and Spirituality in Scouting
- Outsourced Scouting?
- Facebook Camping, Tweeting the Promise and Virtual Patrols
- How Do Others See Us?
- BELieve in YOURself
- Solving Problems We Don't Even Know Are Problems yet

AND IN THE EVENINGS...

After dinner, life in the Global City becomes more informal, focusing on socializing and networking, with a number of "clubs" and "spaces" opened every evening. The possibilities are numerous:



Book Club

a resource centre and library for Scouting



Museo

where NSOs and citizens have a chance to present their materials and projects to all those interested,



Commissioners Club

where national commissioners sharing similar responsibilities at national level can meet, i.e. Rover Commissioners, Cub-Scout Commissioners, Training Commissioners, etc., will have a chance to participate in facilitated exchanges,



Speaker's Corner

where anyone of the citizens can propose topics for ad-hoc discussions



Virtual Cafe

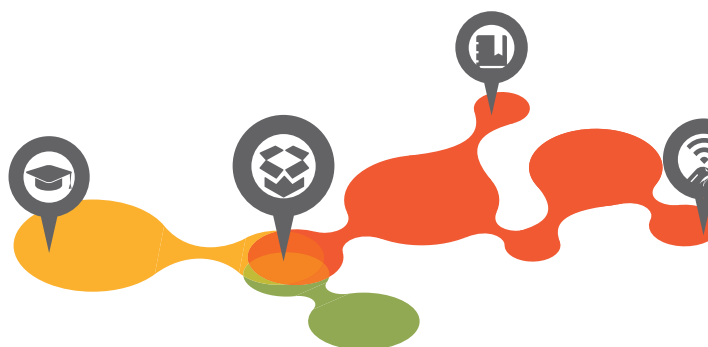
where you can get in contact live with our followers from across the globe and



Emergency Room

where major challenges that your NSO is "suffering" from might be alleviated after a one-to-one consultation with a WOSM expert.

There will be many other spaces for speed dating and binary/group chats and/or discussions. In the evening of the 2nd day, The Expo will open for our innovative International Evening and exhibitions. This will not be a traditional International Evening, and therefore, fresh and new ideas are welcome. The last day's evening will be the time for celebrating our Congress' achievements in the closing ceremony.



Provisional Timetable

Day 1, Friday, 22 November – SOCIETY

08:00- 08:45						
09:00- 09:45						
10:00- 10:30	 					
10:30- 11:15						Coffee
11:30- 12:30	Keynote address - Business			Keynote address- Akademia		
12:30- 13:00						
13:00- 14:30						
15:00- 16:30	Recruiting the right adults	Facebook camping, tweeting the Promise and virtual patrols 	Value Systems: Differentiating between the Ideal and the Real 	Measuring quality in youth programme implementation	Reaching Out to Marginalized Youth	
16:30- 17:00						Coffee
17:00- 18:30	How Do Others See Us? 	Trends in Volunteering 	Formal Recognition of Adult Training in Scouting 	The Global Village and Education	Scouting: Open to All? 	
18:30- 19:00						
21:00- 22:30	National Programme Commissioners Network meeting	National Training Commissioners Network meeting	National Rover Commissioners Network meeting	National Scout Commissioners Network meeting	National Cub-Scout Commissioners Network meeting	Chief Commissioners Network Meeting



Keynotes Address



Discussions



LiveStreaming

Breakfast

OPENING CEREMONY

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

break and discussion/reaction points

Keynote address - Partners

PhD presentation

Discussion/reaction points

Lunch

UNScout 1

Scouting and active citizenship

Spot the Difference: Youth Participation, Involvement, Empowerment

Cultures and Subcultures across Regions and Generations

Born to Be a Leader?

Atheism, religion and new forms of spirituality



break and discussion/reaction points

NSO-led session

UNScout 2

NSO-led session

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Discussion/reaction points

Global Education — Book presentation

Speed-dating Area

Emergency Room

Speaker's Corner 1



Virtual Café

Interesting practice presentation

Interesting practice presentation

Provisional Timetable

Day 2, Saturday, 23 November – EDUCATION

08:00-08:45					
09:00-10:00	<div><div></div><div></div></div>				
10:30-11:15					Coffee
11:30-12:30	<div><div></div></div>	Keynote address - Business		Keynote address- Akademia	
12:30- 13:00	<div><div></div></div>				
13:00- 14:30					
15:00- 16:30	Youth Participation in Non-formal Settings	Diversity in Scouting	Different Ways of Delivering Scouting	UNScout 3	Safe from Harm
		<div><div></div></div>			<div><div></div></div>
16:30- 17:00					Coffee
17:00- 18:30	Faith and Scouting: Challenges and Benefits	Outsourced Scouting	UNScout 4	Letting go of "certainties"	Emotional Development in Scouting
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18:30- 19:00	<div><div></div></div>				
19:00- 20:30					
21:00- 22:30	INTERNATIONAL EVENING				



Keynotes Address



Discussions



LiveStreaming

Breakfast

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

break and discussion/reaction points

Keynote address - Partners

PhD presentation

Discussion/reaction points

Lunch

How Do We Learn?

Revisiting the World
Youth Programme
Policy

Modern Training
Technologies

The future of
education is outside
the classroom

Ask the Boy - and
Girl!

Scouting Then and
Today: How Have We
Adjusted?



break and discussion/reaction points

Safe from Harm

Too old to
learn? - Andragogy

E-learning: sharing
practices

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The Woodbadge
Training: Past and
Future Trends









Discussion/reaction points

Dinner

AND EXHIBITION

Provisional Timetable

Day 3, Sunday, 24 November – IMPACT OF SCOUTING

08:00-08:45					
09:00-10:00	<div><div></div><div></div></div>				
10:30-11:15	<div><div></div><div></div></div>				Coffee
11:30-12:30	<div><div></div></div>	KEYNOTE ADDRESS - Business		KEYNOTE ADDRESS - Akademia	
12:30- 13:00	<div><div></div></div>				
13:00- 14:30					
15:00- 16:30	<div><div>Measuring the impact of Scouting</div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Intergenerational Dialogue</div><div></div></div>	<div><div>NSO-led session</div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Youth Participation in Society Today</div><div></div></div>	<div><div>The value of service projects in Scouting</div><div></div></div>
16:30- 17:00					
17:00- 18:30	<div><div>Estimating the priceless</div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Scouting - The Most Attractive Management School</div><div></div></div>	<div><div>NSO-led session</div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Going National</div><div></div></div>	<div><div>Talent Management in adults</div><div></div></div>
18:30- 19:30					
19:30- 20:30	<div><div></div></div>				
21:00- 22:30	<div><div></div><div></div></div> CLOSING				

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Keynotes Address



Discussions



LiveStreaming

Breakfast

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

break and discussion/reaction points

KEYNOTE ADDRESS - Partners

PhD presentation

Discussion/reaction points

Lunch

Promoting Scouting

NSO-led session

Messengers of Peace

**An ounce of action...
Skills for life**

BElieve in YOUrself

**Determining the least
common denominator
for Scouting**



break and discussion/reaction points

**Solving problems we
don't even know are
problems yet...**

**We are the change we
have been waiting for**

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Dinner

EVALUATION PANEL

CEREMONY AND FAREWELL PARTY



Virtual Participation: Distance Is No Longer an Issue!

You would like to have your say in the discussions at the 1st World Scout Education Congress? But you can't make it to Hong Kong?

Acknowledging the importance of having as many possible opinions in order to truly reflect the vibrant spirit of the Movement, the Planning Team has worked hard to enable you to participate in discussions, even though you cannot be physically present in Hong Kong.

An exchange of opinions does not necessarily have to take place in a real space: with your help, we can broaden the discussion to the virtual world – and there the opportunities are numerous! Sharing your thoughts online before sessions, watching and directly commenting on livestream sessions, following up afterwards – it is up to you to choose what option(s) suit you best.

As an orientation, we give you here an overview of the possibilities:

**DID YOU KNOW THAT?
THE ANNOUNCEMENT
OF THE CONGRESS
REGISTRATION OPENING
REACHED IN FACEBOOK
OVER 14'000 PEOPLE IN
LESS THAN 3 HOURS!**

FOR INDIVIDUALS

If you are interested in sharing your thoughts, but are not able to come in person to Hong Kong, here are some of the opportunities you will have at your disposal to actively engage in discussions:

- Watch the sessions through our home page (worldscouteducationcongress.org), for which you will have to register for free, as a virtual participant. This will also enable you to access background material for each of the sessions, as well as comment on the page directly and discuss with other participants! More information about the registration process will be available soon! (Watch out for it!)
- Each of the sessions will have at least one facilitator especially assigned to follow up on the online discussion – this way, your comments can be shared live with those who are in the session in Hong Kong!

As a reward and acknowledgement of your participation, you will receive a certificate and a commemorative badge.

But, maybe you prefer participating in a group? If so, take a look at the next option!

FOR NATIONAL SCOUT ORGANIZATIONS/ASSOCIATIONS

Host a WSEC@ (your Organization/Association's name here) event:

WSEC is an excellent opportunity for National Scout Organizations/Associations to engage with their national leaders, their partners and the main actors in the community about Scout education. We want to encourage NSO/NSAs all over the world to stream the event live (or use recordings within their own designed programme) and to use it as a way to connect with the local community and engage in debates with national leaders involved in educational work. The WSEC inputs are featuring a wide variety of topics and speakers from different fields. The full list of sessions available per day (<http://www.worldscouteducationcongress.org/en/schedule>) is truly impressive and all of them could be relevant to a great extent to Scout work at national level.

You can build your own event around the live or recorded feeds from Hong Kong and will be supported with downloadable materials and ideas for the event.

NSO/NSAs which decide to participate in this way will: be featured in a dedicated section on the official WSEC website, receive a commemorative diploma, and the report of their event will be an integral part of the congress report, of which they will also receive a hard copy. More details on registering a NSO/NSAs event will be available soon!

A sneak peek into how your online participation will look like



AVAILABLE ON...



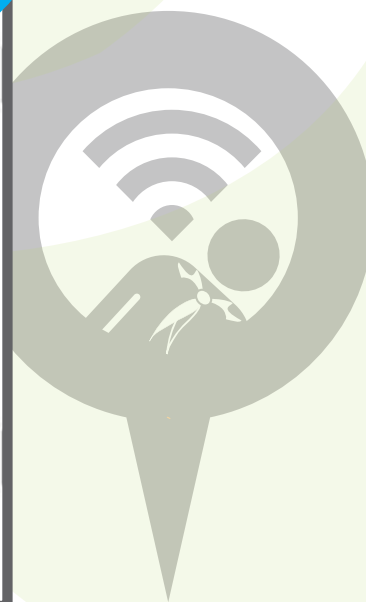
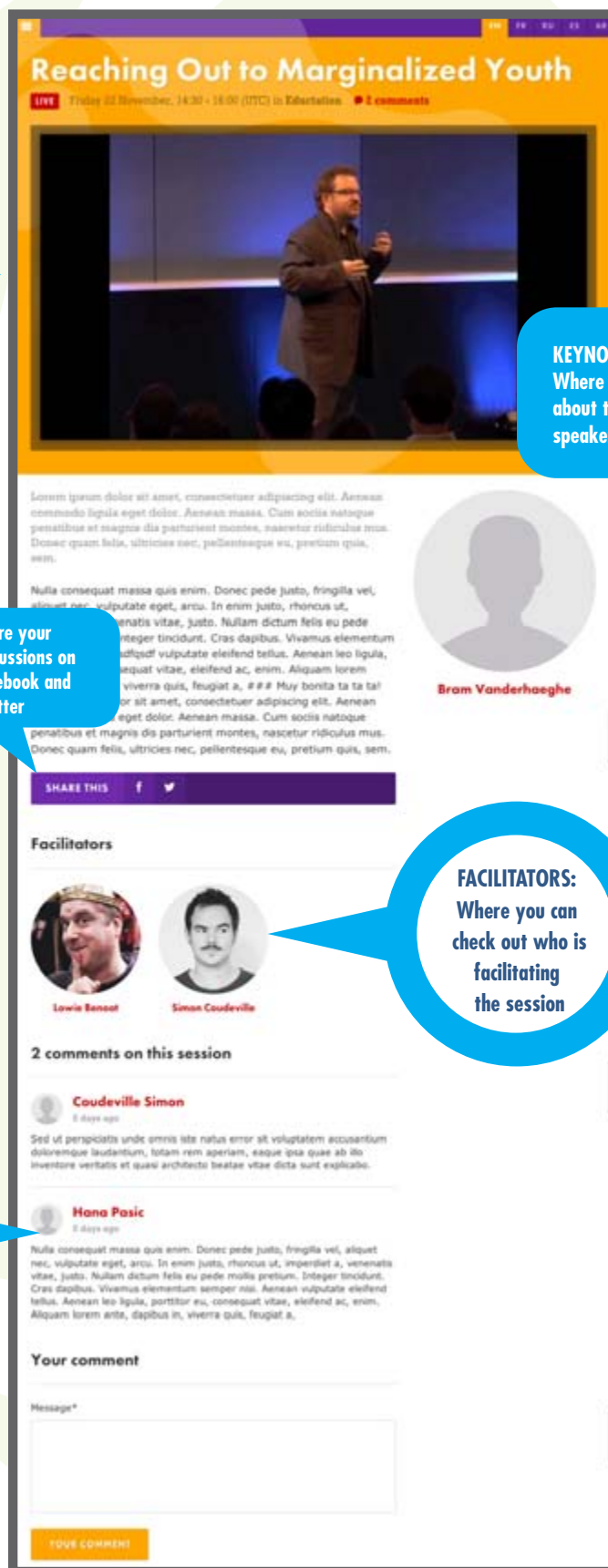
LIVESTREAM:
where you can watch
the broadcast of the
sessions
(live or recorded)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
Where you can read
about the keynote
speaker and the session

Share your
discussions on
Facebook and
Twitter

FACILITATORS:
Where you can
check out who is
facilitating
the session

COMMENT SECTION:
Where you can give
your inputs and interact
with others





Social Events

Social events will be organised during the Congress. These are informal pockets of events to provide a break or a “breathing space” for those participants who would like to have a more relaxed time from the non-stop content-related business sessions of the Congress.

THEY ARE IN FOUR FORMS, NAMELY:



Exhibition Area

During the congress, National Scout Organizations are invited to display information about Scouting in their country. The exhibition is a good opportunity to:

- Highlight the flagship project of your national Scout organization on Educational Methods;
- Show successful activities, “promising practices,” new ideas and literature on Educational Methods; and
- Invite Scouts from other countries to attend national events in your country; and

The display panels will be situated in a strategic area at the B.-P. International Hotel. Space will be allocated on “first-come-first-serve” based on the time the reservation is received. More details will be sent to national Scout organizations soon.

DID YOU KNOW THAT?
THE FIRST 5 PEOPLE THAT REGISTERED TO PARTICIPATE TO THE CONGRESS WERE 2 AUSTRALIANS, 1 CANADIAN, 1 INDONESIAN AND 1 BANGLADESHI.



Speaker's Corner

Would you like to express yourself and talk about something you feel very important to Scouting? An open space will be provided for those participants who would like to express themselves on topics that may be of interest to the Scouting world. Speakers there may speak on any subject connected to educational methods. You can just take the floor and fire on!



Speed Dating

To encourage National Scouts Organizations to meet in a more “intimate” manner, a space with comfortable seating will be provided to participants from national Scout organizations to sit down with other national Scouts organizations to discuss, share or consult matters of common interest. A system for organising “dates” between NSOs will be set in place.



Emergency Room

A place with several comfortable couches will be provided to participants from National Scouts Organizations who would like to sit down and discuss with any of the World Scout Bureau or World Scout Committee members. Like the speed dating, a system will also be in place so that “consultations with the doctors” can be organized at the Emergency Room.”



General Information on

Hong Kong

Hong kong...a gateway

Situated on the southeast coast of China, Hong Kong's strategic location on the Pearl River Delta and South China Sea has made it one of the world's most thriving and cosmopolitan cities. It is known for its expansive skyline and deep natural harbour. With its geographic location, Hong Kong serves as a gateway for travelling to Mainland China and Macau.

Language

The majority of the city's population speaks Chinese (Cantonese dialect). However, English is widely spoken. All signs, public transport announcements and most menus, are bilingual.

Attractions

As Asia's world city, Hong Kong is full of natural beauty and is a city of charm. Some of the highlight attractions include: The Peak, Avenue of Stars, Ladies' Market, Clock Tower, Temple Street Night Market, The Big Buddha and Po Lin Monastery, Ocean Park, Hong Kong Disneyland. Of course, the glamorous Victoria Harbour view is an attraction one should not miss.

Shopping

The city's unflinching entrepreneurial spirit has made shopping a way of life and it ticks on year-round. Retail shops generally open from 10am to 7pm daily. Those in popular shopping areas such as Causeway Bay and Tsim Sha Tsui (where BP International is situated) will stay open until 21:30 or even later, especially on weekends. Most shops in Hong Kong accept major credit cards; however, at open-air markets like the one in Temple Street, most vendors will only take cash.

Transport

Hong Kong has an excellent public transport system that is considered to be one of the best in the world. Depending on where you are going, you have a choice of MTR (subway), trains, buses, trams, ferries and taxis. These clean and efficient options cover extensive areas of Hong Kong and have signs and announcements in both English and Chinese. BP International is very near to the Jordan MTR (subway) station.

Weather

In autumn (September to November) when the Congress will be held, there are pleasant breezes, plenty of sunshine and comfortable temperatures. Many people regard autumn as the best season of the year to visit Hong Kong. The average Temperature is between 19°C and 28°C.

Visa

Visitors from most countries can enter Hong Kong without a visa for periods of seven to 180 days, depending on nationality. Check with the Hong Kong Immigration Department for details about visa requirements.

Foreign exchange

The local Hong Kong currency is called the "Hong Kong Dollar" (HKD). USD 1.00 is equal to about HKD 7.76. Since you will be transferred from the airport directly to the Congress venue, you may wish to consider changing your currency at the airport.

Time zone

Hong Kong is in Asia Standard Time and is therefore 8 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+8).

Electricity

Electricity in Hong Kong is supplied at 220 and 240 volts. There are two types of electrical sockets (outlets) used in Hong Kong: "Type G" British BS-1363 is now more generally used, while "Type D" Indian (old British BS-546 5 amp "small") sockets are being phased out.



ACCOMPANYING PERSONS PROGRAMME

TIME	FRIDAY, 22 nd NOVEMBER 2013 DAY 1: THE PEAK	SATURDAY, 23 rd NOVEMBER 2013 DAY 2: MUSEUM AND WATERFRONT	SUNDAY, 24 th NOVEMBER 2013 DAY 3: OCEAN PARK
09:15	Assemble in the Lobby of BP International House	Assemble in the Lobby of BP International House	Assemble in the Lobby of BP International House
09:30	To Admiralty by coach	To Hong Kong Museum of History by MTR (Railway from Austin to Hunghom Station)	To Ocean Park by coach
10:00 10:15	Travel to the Peak by Peak tram and sightseeing	Visit Hong Kong Museum of History at Tsim Sha Tsui East	Visit and Lunch at Ocean Park
13:00	Lunch at the Peak	Lunch at Tsim Sha Tsui East	
14:00 14:30 15:00	Visit Madame Tussauds Hong Kong and shopping at the Peak	Visit Avenue of Stars and photo taking at Victoria Harbour	
16:30	To Admiralty by peak tram	Shopping at Ocean Terminal at Tsim Sha Tsui	Return to BP International House by coach
17:00 17:30	Return to BP International House by coach	Return to BP International House	Dismiss at BP International House
18:00 19:00	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner

The Peak, Hong Kong's most popular attraction is more than just stunning vistas or great shopping and dining. It's an amazing collection of unique must-visit attractions, with a diverse fun-filled experience of Hong Kong's living culture.

The Peak Tram A must-experience in Hong Kong, offers a uniquely spectacular perspective of the city. The Peak Tram's route from Central district to Victoria Peak covers a distance of about 1.4 kilometers and a height difference of just less than 400 meters.

The lower terminus station, Garden Road, is located near St. John's Cathedral.

The upper terminus, The Peak, is located below the Peak Tower shopping and leisure complex at Victoria Gap, some 150 meters below the summit of Victoria Peak.

The Peak Tower Perching on The Peak at 396 meters above sea level, The Peak Tower is one of the most stylish architectural icons in Hong Kong. Inside The Peak Tower, there is a dazzling array of restaurants, shops and entertainment venues set against the beautiful backdrop of the city.

Madame Tussauds Hong Kong is a unique celebrity-inspired attraction that connects guests with famous people, famous events and famous times. The attraction features over 100 local and international celebrity wax figures with exciting audiovisual effects and interactive experiences to create truly magical moments for all guests.



The Hong Kong Museum of History is a museum that preserves Hong Kong's historical and cultural heritage. Since its establishment in 1975, the Hong Kong Museum of History has made strenuous effort in collecting and preserving cultural objects that are closely related to the history of Hong Kong and the South China area. In general, the Museum's collections are divided into three major areas of interest: natural history, ethnography and local history.



Avenue of Stars is a free attraction that can be visited any time of the day or night. It is especially lovely in the evening when it is illuminated with thousands of twinkling lights. Next to the Avenue of Stars is the Tsim Sha Tsui East Promenade where you can take beautiful pictures of the Victoria Harbor.

Ocean Terminal is a major cruise terminal in Hong Kong, which had accommodated many luxurious and elegant cruise vessels like "Queen Elizabeth 2", "Norway", "Canberra" etc. in the past decades.

Ocean Park, is a marine mammal park, oceanarium, animal theme park and amusement park, situated in Wong Chuk Hang and Nam Long Shan in the Southern District of Hong Kong. In the Ocean Park, you can experience the craziest ride ever! Nothing runs as wildly in the West than this runaway Mine Train!

DID YOU KNOW THAT?
THE TERRAIN OF HONG KONG IS PRETTY HILLY AND THERE ARE OUTDOOR ESCALATORS IN THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF THE ISLAND



POST CONGRESS TOUR

TIME	MONDAY, 25 th NOVEMBER 2013 DAY 1: THE PEAK	TUESDAY, 26 th NOVEMBER 2013 DAY 2: MUSEUM AND WATERFRONT	WEDNESDAY, 27 th NOVEMBER 2013 DAY 3: OCEAN PARK
09:00	Assemble in the Lobby of BP International House	Assemble in the Lobby of BP International House	Assemble in the Lobby of BP International House
09:15	To Ngong Ping 360 by coach	To Hong Kong Disneyland	To Che Kung Temple by coach
10:00 10:15	To Tian Tan Buddha by cable car	Visit and Lunch at Hong Kong Disneyland	Visit Che Kung Temple
10:45 11:30	Visit Tian Tan Buddha		Lunch at Tai Wai
12:45 13:00	Lunch at Po Lin Monastery		Visit Hong Kong Heritage Museum at Tai Wai
13:45	To Tai O by coach		
14:30	Visit Tai O Village		Return to BP International House by coach
16:00 16:30	Return to BP International House by coach	Return to BP International House by coach	
17:30	Dismiss at BP International House	Dismiss at BP International House	Dismiss at BP International House

Ngong Ping 360 is destined to be one of Hong Kong's "must see" tourist attractions on Lantau Island. Preserving the natural ecological environment and features of the Ngong Ping area and converging the custom and culture of the Lantau Island, Ngong Ping 360 is sure to refresh your body and enlighten your mind, as soon as you enter the Cable Car.

Tian Tan Buddha

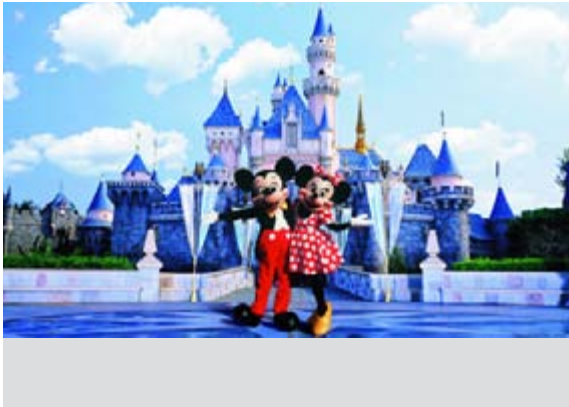
Walking with Buddha in Ngong Ping 360 is an immersive, multimedia attraction allowing visitors to follow the life of Siddhartha Gautama - the man who became Buddha - and his path to enlightenment.

Your Walking with Buddha experience ends with a stroll along the "Path of Enlightenment", which reveals the origins of Buddhism and allows you to track its expansion across the globe.

Tai O Village

Nearby archaeological sites date back to the Stone Age, but permanent, and verifiable, human settlement here is only three centuries old. Stories that would be impossible to substantiate have Tai O as the base of many smuggling and piracy operations, the inlets of the river providing excellent protection from the weather and a hiding place.

Currently the fishing lifestyle is dying out. While many residents continue to fish, it barely provides a subsistence income.



Hong Kong Disneyland is located on reclaimed land in Penny's Bay, Lantau Island. The park consists of six themed areas: Main Street, U.S.A., Fantasyland, Adventureland, Tomorrowland, Grizzly Gulch and Toy Story Land. The theme park's cast members speak in Cantonese, English, and Mandarin. Guide maps are printed in traditional and simplified Chinese as well as English, French, and Japanese.



Che Kung Temple is located in Tai Wai area of Sha Tin. This temple is built to honour Che Kung who was a military commander of the Southern Song dynasty (1127-1279).

His advantageous power for suppressing uprisings and plagues made him a household name. In popular folklore, it is said that Che Kung escorted the Song dynasty's last emperor on his escape to Sai Kung in what is now called the New Territories. His achievements led to him eventually becoming revered as a god.

The original temple was built here around 300 years ago in a desperate move to stop an epidemic that was spreading across the Sha Tin area.

A giant statue of Che Kung can be found at the altar in the main worship hall, while the main altar is also flanked by a huge drum and bell.

Hong Kong Heritage Museum is a museum of history, art and culture in Sha Tin, Hong Kong, by the Shing Mun River. The museum opened on December 16, 2000. It is managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department of the Hong Kong Government.

DID YOU KNOW THAT?
IN HONG KONG ARCHITECTS
TAKE FENG SHUI
(WIND/WATER ELEMENTS)
INTO CONSIDERATION
IN THE DESIGN AND
CONSTRUCTION OF
BUILDINGS



DONORS & SPONSORS

An event like the 1st World Scout Education Congress can only happen thanks to the support of many partners and donors around the world. The overview below gives you an idea of the wide extend of organizations and initiatives that support (an aspect of) the organization of the 1st World Scout Education Congress until now.



Scout Association of Hong Kong

- The Scout Association of Hong Kong is an officially recognized member of the World Organisation of the Scout Movement. SAHK is also the host of the 1st World Scout Education Congress and in this capacity commits considerable financial and human resources to make this event as memorable and affordable as possible for all participants.



Messengers of Peace

- "Messengers of Peace" is the current flagship initiative of World Scouting, aiming to inspire millions of young women and men throughout the world to work for the cause of Scouting: Creating a Better World! The initiative promotes young women and men as Leaders for Life – in their communities and in their world. Through the Support Fund, the 1st World Scout Education Congress received a substantial grant aimed at supporting the organization of the event.



- The Eric Frank Trust has been established to advance education, including education in leadership skills, and to advance young people in life with a view to helping them become more responsible citizens. The Trust is, in the context of the Congress, specifically supporting the participation of representatives from National Scout Organizations from African and South-American countries.



- Scouteria, the Guides and Scouts of Sweden, decided to commit a part of the positive financial balance of the 22nd World Scout Jamboree to other World Scouting projects. Part of this financial grant is supporting the organization of the 1st World Scout Education Congress.



- The Gulbenkian prize is an annual award of the Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian, a Portuguese private institution of public utility whose statutory aims are in the fields of arts, charity, education and science. The prize distinguishes an individual or institution whose thoughts or actions make a decisive contribution to and have significant impact on understanding, defending or fostering the universal values of the human condition. WOSM was awarded this prize in 2011 and its financial reward is contributing to the organization of the Congress.
- Individuals across the world have donated more than 50,000 USD specifically for the organization of the Congress. We thank them explicitly for their contribution towards the event.

Should you or your organization also wish to make a donation or become a financial partner of the Congress, do not hesitate to contact us through: congress@scout.org. Note that when you register online for the Congress, you also have the opportunity to add an individual donation to the Solidarity Operation of the 1st WSEC, enabling participants from all over the world to join in to this unique event.

Planning Team members INTERVIEWS

ORGANIZATION TEAM

John Lawlor



Where are you from?

Glasnevin, Dublin, Ireland.

What was your proudest moment as a Scout?

July 2010 in Kenya: Being part of a WOSM team of 40 people from 20 countries that helped to deliver the first ever World Scout Moot in Africa.

What are your major expectations from the Congress?

Whilst it's important to keep with the times, overall I believe that the Scout Method is as relevant today as it has been for generations. I'd like to see the Congress focus on how we can bring even more young people into Scouting and how Scouting can enhance its standing among the wider community.

What message do you wish to send to all national leaders in WOSM?

Be there!

João Armando Gonçalves

COORDINATION TEAM



Where are you from?

I am from Portugal, where I live and work.

What was your proudest moment as a Scout?

I had several... Maybe the one that comes to mind is the closing ceremony of the 1st edition of Roverway (the European event for Rovers), back in 2003. We had created the concept, had been given

the opportunity to organise the 1st experience and worked on it for more than 2 years. The preparations had been very intense and demanding (we wanted to have a quality event). When, in the last evening, I was observing all those 2500 young adults celebrating what they had achieved, I thought "We did it!". And then, one young man passed by and asked me "You're the Project Director, right?" When I confirmed, he said "I just want to thank you for having organised this".

What are your major expectations from the Congress?

I'm expecting an unforgettable experience; 3 days of open exchanges, stimulating discussions, generous sharing and lots of fun, of course. A time of exploration, reflection, creativity, discovery and dreams. I foresee an inspirational event bringing together talented people who are passionate about Scouting and come from all over the world. People who will be ready to work, in a collaborative way, to define what our Movement can be in the next years in terms of our Educational Mission. And I hope that every participant will be able to take something useful back to his/her NSO.

What message do you wish to send to all national leaders in WOSM?

I would like to thank them for their service and dedication to this extraordinary Movement. And to ask them to, despite all the challenges and many worries, always keep our educational mission high in the agenda and in the centre of action. Scouting has this extraordinary power of transforming people's lives and we must strive to support this to happen in each local group, in each community.

COORDINATION TEAM



Where are you from?

I am from Transylvania, a wonderful region of Romania.

What was your proudest moment as a Scout?

There are countless moments of pride in my Scouting life. However, the best of all are those when I hear and see young Scouts that I have worked with, at any level, taking responsibilities in their

community and actively militating for ideals rooted in the Scout Law. Seeing former Scouts promoting peace in missions around the world, engaging in actions for preserving biodiversity or taking full responsibility for major events is the fuel that keeps me going.

What are your major expectations from the Congress?

I expect the Congress to be an extraordinary moment in World Scouting. I believe we have a chance to reassess the reasons, the methods and the actions we're promoting and it'll be only up to us to show if we're really a 21st Century movement. I expect the Congress to be bold in the topics discussed and the conclusions reached and I expect the participants to be open-minded and creative. Youth is not just the future of humanity, it is its PRESENT and our work should be tailored BY, WITH and FOR today's young citizens, not based on some future abstract and undefined group of ideal people.

I lived for more than 20 years in a country ruled by Communist dictatorship, where any youth organisation was either militarized or politicized. Human rights are a topic very dear to my heart and I see Scouting as a way to educate young people so that no one has to live again in similar conditions. At the Congress, I hope to see people willing to exchange freely about their views on how Scouting should reach out and increase its positive impact in the communities it serves.

What message do you wish to send to all national leaders in WOSM?

I hope all national leaders will take the opportunity of this Congress to question their ways of thinking and doing education in Scouting. I like to believe that nothing is sacred in Scouting and that, with very few exceptions, anything can and should be scrutinized. Often, when I have to take certain decisions related to Scouting, I ask myself "what would Baden-Powell do?". And in almost all cases I am convinced that he would have taken the innovative path, the new and bold approach. Scouting began as a revolution in education and it survived over a 100 years only because it was constantly adapted and changed to fit the needs and expectations of young people. I also believe that Scouting is great because it managed to keep some very solid foundations and, in its evolution, followed real trends, not fashions. The right balance between continuous adaptation and remaining true to its fundamentals is what I believe all people involved in the Congress should bear in mind.

Host Committee Members INTERVIEWS

Ng Ah-ming



**Chairman of Host Committee
Deputy Chief Commissioner
(Programme and Training) of the Scout Association of Hong Kong**

Where are you from?

I am from Hong Kong, a beautiful and energetic city.

What was your proudest moment as a Scout?

Having served in the Scouting for decades, the successful completion of the Association-wide Youth Training Programme Review for the age group 5 to 26 in December 2011 was a remarkable achievement for me.

What are your major expectations from the Congress?

I hope the Congress will enable us to achieve a worldwide impact on the future of the educational methods for our youth members.

What message do you wish to send to all national leaders in WOSM?

For those Congress participants who will stay in Hong Kong until Saturday 30 November 2013, you are cordially invited to attend the "Duty to God Day 2013" at the Youth Square, from 1400 hours to 1700 hours the same day. This biennial event will show how Scouting in Hong Kong promotes spiritual development and religious awareness to scout members. Prominent leaders from the six local religions, the Christian, the Catholic, the Taoist, Buddhism, Confucian and Muslim as well as 500 members of the Scout Association of Hong Kong and their relatives will gather together to establish mutual respect and create a spirit of unity among different religious beliefs, through the Scouting Principles, Scout Promise and Scout Law. Contents of the event include ice-breaking games, variety performances including songs, drama and story telling from the six religious scout groups, sharing opinions on spiritual development and benediction. Just let the Host Committee know your wish to participate in this particular spiritual event when you arrive and register in Hong Kong in November 2013.

Alexander Wong



**Vice Chairman of the Host Committee
International Commissioner of the Scout Association of Hong Kong**

Where are you from?

Those whom I have had the honour and privilege to meet are well aware that I am from Hong Kong and have been on

and off as International Commissioner for Hong Kong since 1997.

What was your proudest moment as a Scout?

Every moment when I am in my Scout Uniform is my proudest moment as a Scout, be it the moment I have passed my Tenderfoot Badge, my First Class Badge, my Woodbadge or being awarded with the Bronze Wolf.

What are your major expectations from the Congress?

May the 1st World Scout Educational Congress be a real Milestone, a small step in a Big Progress to come.

What message do you wish to send to all national leaders in WOSM?

Simple: Just come and attend - enjoy yourself in Hong Kong whilst you are enriching yourself at the same time.



**Member of the Host Committee
Assistant Chief Commissioner
(Administration) of the Scout Association of Hong Kong**

Where are you from?

I am from Hong Kong.

What are your major expectations from the Congress?

I envisage that the Congress will provide the opportunity for national leaders to share views on Scouting's education from different perspectives and to develop initiatives with the purpose of creating a better world for young people through Scouting.

What message do you wish to send to all national leaders in WOSM?

Welcome and see you in Hong Kong.

What was your proudest moment as a Scout?

My proudest moment as a Scout was when I made my Scout Promise and knew that the Promise was made by millions of Scouts around the world for over a century.



What's next

KEY UPCOMING DATES IN PREPARATION OF THE CONGRESS

- 20th September 2013 – last day of registrations
- October 2013 – Virtual participation features up and running on the digital platform:
www.worldscouteducationcongress.org
- October 2013 – launch of Bulletin n° 3, with final practical details for participation on site and on line
- 22-24 November 2013
1st World Scout Education Congress

KEY INFORMATION CHANNELS OF THE 1ST WORLD SCOUT EDUCATION CONGRESS

Web:

www.worldscouteducationcongress.org

The web presence and functionality will continually expand over the coming months.

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www.facebook.com/1WSEC

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#WSEC

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