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Dear Colleague

Re: MAKE IT MATTER

The Scout Association are pleased to announce that they have become a Partner Organisation for 'Make it Matter,' a young women's conference being organised by Girlguiding UK. This is an exciting, unique event open to young women (aged between 14 to 25) who are members of Girlguiding UK or affiliated to the youth organisations working with them.

'Make it Matter' is a great opportunity for participants to explore the wider issues affecting young women in the UK through debate, discussion and workshops. It will also provide a great opportunity to build and strengthen relationships between the Partner youth organisations involved.

The event will be a two-day conference, for up to 500 young women, and will be combined with a spectacular gala dinner/evening event to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Senior Section.

#### Objectives

- To deliver a high quality conference for young women from Girlguiding UK and other youth organisations to discuss issues affecting them.
- To run a series of workshops that fit into 5 categories: Young Women's Health; Young Women and Risk; Money Matters; Young Women, the Law and Policy; Global Citizenship. Each delegate will have the opportunity to attend 2 workshops.
- To have high profile speakers to motivate and inspire.
- To have a fun gala dinner and entertainment in the evening to celebrate Senior Section's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Application forms are available directly from Girlguiding UK by contacting Liz Penn at [events@girlguiding.org.uk](mailto:events@girlguiding.org.uk) or you can contact myself at [ed.Wilson@scout.org.uk](mailto:ed.Wilson@scout.org.uk).

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As Commissioners we feel you are ideally placed to support any member who wishes to put themselves forward for this wonderful opportunity therefore we are including an application form with this memo for your information and also for you to pass on to members in your County, Area or District.

We hope you will consider allocating grants to support members to participate in this unique event, and help them to cover travel costs or subsidise their delegate fees. Registration is just £150 for Scout Association members and includes all workshops, one night's accommodation in the hotel and the gala dinner.

This is a unique experience for any young woman and something they will be able to share with others in their Country/Area or District after the event. It is also a great chance for them to be part of the leading conference for young women in the UK and be key to its success.

Should you have any queries about this event please do not hesitate to contact Liz Penn at [events@girlguiding.org.uk](mailto:events@girlguiding.org.uk) or by phone on 0207 834 6242.

Thank you for your support

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ed Wilson', written in a cursive style.

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