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## **Re: Nomination for Election to the European Scout Committee**

Dear Scouter,

Recently the Board of Scouting Ireland sought expressions of interest from members for nomination for election to the European Scout Committee at this year's Regional Scout Conference. After careful consideration Scouting Ireland is delighted to confirm we have nominated our current International Commissioner, Claire McAroe.

The European Scout Committee plays an important role in the development and sustainable growth of Scouting throughout our region and we believe it is important to have members on the committee that can understand the supports each National Scout Organisation/ National Scout Association needs and who can deliver on the Regional Plan as we move into the next triennium. In Claire we believe we have an excellent candidate for the role, one who understands the needs of NSO/NSA's, and is passionate about sustainable growth.

Claire's particular skills have seen her involved at a Regional & World level for over a decade focusing on areas such as; Diversity & Inclusion, Global Support and reviewing the size & effectiveness of the World Scout Committee. She was instrumental in bringing the 16<sup>th</sup> World Scout Moot to Ireland in 2021 and served for six years on the Board of Scouting Ireland.

Claire is an honest and open person, who isn't afraid to speak her mind or to be challenged on her opinions. She has a track record of advocating for equality and social justice and is passionate about growing Scouting through diversity while ensuring growth is sustainable. She believes that every young person should have the opportunity to grow and develop through Scouting.

Like Claire, Scouting Ireland believes that the European Scout Region is the heart of WOSM and should be the guiding light for the rest of the world. To do this we need a strong committee, a European Scout Committee with Claire on it will be stronger.

The Board fully supports the candidature of Claire to the European Committee and are confident that she will be successfully elected in August.

Yours in Scouting,

Board of Directors, Scouting Ireland

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