

04 February 2019

Dear Friends,

In almost six months, the 13th Asia Pacific Regional Conference will commence in Colombo, Sri Lanka. We look forward to connecting with you to set the stage for the future of our Movement.

Nominations

An important part of the Regional Conference is electing the new Regional Committee. You should have received the <u>Nominations Pack</u> and <u>Nominations Form</u> from our Governance team in December 2018. We hope that you have already begun the process to select high skilled candidates from your Member Organisations and are in the process of submitting them to our <u>Governance team</u>. As a friendly reminder, the deadline to submit nominations is 17:00 (UTC) on Friday 14 February 2019.

Rules of Procedure

A smooth Regional Conference begins with clear and agreed procedures. The Governance team recently shared the draft **Rules of Procedure**_for consultation. If you would like to propose a change, please let us know by emailing our Governance team at governance@wagggs.org or by post to:

Governance team - Confidential WAGGGS World Bureau Olave Centre, 12c Lyndhurst Road London, NW3 5PQ United Kingdom

The deadline to propose a change to Rules of Procedure is 17:00 (UTC) on Friday 08 March 2019. Based on your feedback, we will share the final version of the Rules of Procedure in May 2019, two months before the first Regional Conference. All five Regional Conferences will use the same final version of the Rules of Procedure.

In addition, I am delighted to share with you some other Conference updates:

Regional Conference Bids

Could your Member Organisation be the host of the next Asia Pacific Regional Conference? Invitations are now open to express interest in hosting the next Asia Pacific Regional Conference in 2022. Please read our <u>guidelines on the bidding process</u> and submit your **expression of interest**_before 17:00 (UTC) on Monday 04 March 2019.

Proposed Motions and Agenda Items

If your Member Organisation would like to propose motions or agenda items for the Regional Conference, please contact our <u>Governance team</u> (details as before, and there is a <u>form attached for Proposed Motions</u>). All submissions will be reviewed by Asia Pacific Region Committee and Head of Asia Pacific Region, who might contact you before the Conference to discuss your proposal further. Kindly note that proposals are due before 17:00 (UTC) on Friday 12 April 2019. The final proposed motions will be shared will all Member Organizations two months before the Conference.

Registrations

We are looking forward to opening registrations in February 2019. We will send you the link when registrations are open!

In the lead up to Conference, you can access all relevant information on the WAGGGS website <u>here</u>. You can also use our dedicated email address of <u>AP.ReCo@wagggs.org</u> to contact us at any point.

With our good wishes to you all and we can't wait to receive your Regional Committee nominees, expressions of interest to host the next Regional Conference, and feedback for the Conference.

Warmly,

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13th Asia Pacific Regional Conference