

INTERNATIONAL SCOUT AND GUIDE FELLOWSHIP- ISGF

SOUTH AMERICAN SUB REGION – SASR

Memorandum of Understanding

Art. I Name and Nature

The so called “South American Subregion” SASR is created as a part of the ISGF/AISG Western Region.

At the moment of the approval of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), the South American Subregion consisted of the following organizations: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Uruguay and Venezuela, without special privileges over other organizations in the future.

Other new organizations from South American countries might join the Subregion, when agreed upon by the existing organizations, the Western Hemisphere Regional Committee and the World Committee.

Art. II Targets

1. Promoting a close relationship between the participating organizations (PO) in the South American Region.
2. Supporting and promoting the PO development within the SASR.
3. Supporting the PO in their efforts to tighten the connection with the National Associations of Scouts and Guides in their countries, members of OMMS and WAGGGS.
4. Promoting the Twinning Program between the local Scouts and Guides Fellowships within SRSA.
5. Promoting and organizing meetings within SASR.
6. Working together with the World Committee ISGF/AISG, other National Organizations (ONO), Regions, Subregions, and members of the Central Branch.
7. Representing the ISGF/AISG in the Subregion.

Art. III SASR Meetings

1. SASR Meetings give the opportunity to know each other, to coexist, communicate, discuss, to culturally exchange, and to practice the spirit of the Scout und Guide Fellowship among the members of the SASR PO.
2. The meetings are open to every and all members of each organization willing to participate.
3. One OP who could not attend a meeting could delegate its representation to other PO by means of a Proxy as per the proceedings set forth by ISGF/AISG.
4. SASR meetings will take place every three years. However, this provision might be altered due to force majeure.
5. The meetings, when possible, ought to take place in natural spaces and with facilities adequate to fulfilling the programmed activities, such as Training, Information, Analysis and Reflection workshops, integration dynamics, exchange experiences in creating and developing ONO , as well as social and friendship instances, such as preparing and tasting local gastronomy, songs and music, and representations by the warmth and light of the fire, when the environmental and weather conditions allow it, walks and visits to local attractions, practicing and keeping the Fellowship spirit, in the essence of the ISGF.
6. During the meeting, a plenary gathering would take place to elect a new committee for the next three years and to receive a report rendered by the Subregion President and Treasurer, as set forth in Art. IV.2
7. The meeting will be organized by a PO in collaboration with the SASR Committee, using the guidelines set by the World Office ISGF/AISG.
8. In the Meeting, the next Meeting location is decided among those locations proposed by those PO interested in hosting the next Meeting, by a majority vote.

Art. IV. SASR Committee

1. SASR Committee is a consultive / executive body that handles a) cooperation within SASR and b) the connection between SASR, RHO und ISGF/AISG. This committee shall consist of persons elected by a majority vote between the SASR PO candidates previously postulated.

2. The Committee shall meet in person or by technological means once quarterly and during a) SASR Meetings; b) O.H. Region Meetings; c) World Meetings; but also it shall meet every time is deemed to be necessary. The committee shall establish a meeting Calendar and send it to the PO.
3. SASR Committee shall support the creation of new Fellowships in those countries where there is no one.
4. The SASR Committee shall appoint within its members elected by a vote as per the rules of this MOU the following positions:

President

Vice president

Secretary

Treasurer

5. The members of the Committee shall be elected in the first meeting, among the present representatives or those nominated by the country members. Once elected, they decide who shall serve in each position among themselves.
6. The World Committee ISGF/AISG and the Western Hemisphere Regional Committee shall be informed of these appointments.
7. All candidates shall be supported by their own PO, even though they do not represent their own PO once elected.
8. No PO shall have more than one member in the Committee.
9. In the event of a definitive absence of a Committee Member, for any reason, a call for an extraordinary vote shall be made, and every PO might postulate a candidate, if it already has no member in it.
10. The position of a Committee member shall last three years, starting immediately after the SASR Meeting and ending at the end of the following Meeting.
11. A member of the committee should not serve more than two consecutive terms, that is, 6 years maximum, and a position is lost: a) due to personal resignation, b) destitution, c) death, d) loss of membership as ISGF.
12. The quorum needed to hold SASR Committee meetings shall be 50% of the SASR POs.
13. SASR Committee shall approve its own set of rules.

Art. V. SASR Committee Meetings

1. Each PO proposal for SASR Committee Meetings agenda shall be submitted before the Committee at least three (3) months prior to the Meeting. Proposals to change the agenda shall be submitted before the Committee at least one (1) month prior to the Meeting and the PO shall receive the final agenda at least two (2) weeks prior to the Meeting.
2. The Meeting Agenda shall include the following items:
 - a) Welcoming words from the President of the SASR Committee
 - b) Reading the former Minute
 - c) Report on the different work areas
 - d) Addressing the topics of the pre-established agenda
 - e) Other subjects.
3. In case SASR deems it convenient, other PO members might attend the meetings as observers and /or guests, both without voting or speaking rights.
4. Each Meeting Minute of the SASR Committee shall be sent to each PO. A summary of the Meeting shall be sent to the Western Hemisphere Regional Committee, at least two months after the Meeting.

Art. VI. Representation before Western Hemisphere Regional Committee

The SASR President shall be in charge of the representation before the Western Hemisphere Regional Committee.

Art. VII. Finances

It shall not exist SASR membership fee, and all the Committee members shall cover their own expenses to attend meetings or gatherings.

Art. VIII. Work Groups

The SASR Committee might appoint work groups when it deemed it necessary. Each work group shall appoint a leader.

Minutes shall be made of every work group meeting, and these shall be sent to all POs, and a Summary shall be sent as well to the Region within the following two months.

The leader of a work group might be invited to the SASR Committee Meetings, solely to speak.

Art. IX. Amendments to the MOU

1. Every and all amendments to this MOU ruling the Sub Region shall be approved by the Sub Region Meeting, previously notified of that.
2. Amendments shall be approved by a majority of two thirds of those present with voting rights.
3. The amendments approved by the SASR Meetings shall be in force after the approval by the Western Hemisphere Regional Committee and the AISG World Committee.

Art. X. General Topics

Every controversy arising from the diverse interpretation of this MOU shall be resolved by the provisions set forth in the ISGF Bylaws.