



Introduction

You have in your hands a kit presenting 12 peace workshops. This kit is the third in a series of booklets on the Global Development Village (GDV) published at the end of a particular Jamboree. The series started with "Planning Guidebook, Global Development Village" in 1992, and continued with "How to organise a Global Development Village" in 1996.

The first booklet was devoted to the concept, the second provided a step-by-step guide on how to organise a Global Development Village, and this third publication focuses on a specific dimension of the content of a GDV: the culture of peace.

The main purpose of the kit is to help and encourage Scout leaders all over the world to gain inspiration and ideas from the experience of the Global Development Village, and:

- *to use the booklet as reference material for organising similar events;*
- *to use the active learning methods presented here as part of their "learning by doing" training;*
- *to go into the main subjects outlined here in greater depth: development, environment, tolerance, human rights, rights of the child, solidarity, etc., and understand how they fit into the broader concept of the culture of peace; and*
- *last but not least, to convey those ideas to a wider Scout public.*

The culture of peace is a central concept of this kit, which is hardly surprising since the kit integrates many of the workshops that took place at the 19th World Scout Jamboree held in Chile from 26 December 1998 to 6 January 1999 under the theme of "Building Peace Together". Other themes will be the subject of future publications.

The ideas have been taken over here, and some of them refined, enriched, and merged with other workshops. The kit should not however be considered as a finished product. Associations and leaders are invited to use the workshops, to experiment with them, to adapt them to other age groups, to sub-divide them into new ones, and to tell us about the results of their efforts, for future reference and use. This is how creativity works in a youth

movement, and this is how young people can put their energy and enthusiasm at the service of the culture of peace!

While written primarily for National Scout Associations and their leaders, the workshops can be adapted for use by other youth organisations, youth clubs, etc. Needless to say, we are happy to put this material at their disposal, provided that this is done in a purely voluntary way and for non-commercial purposes. We would, however, appreciate a reference to the source.



The experience of the GDV can be multiplied a thousand-fold and its educational benefits can have important repercussions on the life of National Scout Associations and, above all, on the educational programme for young people. But there is also an important element of cross-fertilisation. In many cases, each workshop presented in this kit is the product of the experience of one or more Scout leaders who have volunteered to run them, either at the 18th World Scout Jamboree in the Netherlands in 1995, at the 19th World Scout Jamboree in Chile in 1999 or at the 11th World Scout Moot in Mexico in 2000.



The World Events Unit of the World Scout Bureau wishes to record its deep appreciation to UNESCO's Culture of Peace Programme, which was closely involved with the World Scout Jamboree in Chile and the World Scout Moot in Mexico, and to the Participation Programme that is sponsoring this publication as a follow-up to the GDV in Chile for the support given in the preparation and implementation of the 19th World Scout Jamboree and for the publication of this kit. The World Events Unit also thanks all those who have helped make this kit a reality in one way or another: first of all, those who have devised GDV workshops, and also those who have contributed to the conception, layout, translation, production and printing.

It is our sincere hope that the kit will become a tool for the National Scout Associations, so that the Culture of Peace becomes anchored in the Scout Programme more and more every day. The World Events Unit will always be happy to support National Scout Associations in their efforts and to serve as a vehicle for the sharing of experiences.

2000 was the Year of the Culture of Peace but for peace-loving people every year should be devoted to that purpose. To start with, we have ahead of us the "International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-violence for the Children of the World", which will allow us to think and act on the development of ideas and initiatives generated by the Year. No doubt the World Scout Movement will be at the forefront of this action.

Let this kit be one of World Scouting's outstanding contributions to the Culture of Peace!