



From the AGSEP bureau

To the attention of the Heads of Delegation  
of the European Schools

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Dear Sirs,

The aim of this letter is to stress the importance, for our parent community, of the accreditation of the Scuola per l'Europa di Parma as an Associated European School.

Our association is writing to all of you directly in view of the Board of Governors meeting next week because our association still does not have a representative at Interparents until it is officially recognized.

We are very proud and satisfied by the results of the Audit Report of the Inspection carried out last May at our school. It is definitely a fair recognition of all efforts made so far. It reflects the dynamic climate that prevails in the daily life of the school. It proves that there are no structural problems and that the achievements made in this project start-up phase are tremendous.

We want to remind everyone that this project finds its origins in the European Head of State and Government decision of December 2003 to locate the seat of EFSA in Parma. Today the percentage of category I pupils in our School is much higher (more than 1/3) than in most of other small European schools (Bergen, Culham, Karlsruhe, Mol) and that in contrast with many other cities in Europe, Parma does not offer any alternative at all in terms of International/European Education.

Although EFSA parents seem to be more directly affected for obvious reasons, the whole parents' community is supporting and following very closely the recognition process of our school as an Associated European School. Regarding Category III parents it is fair to say that they put their entire trust toward an almost experimental school without proper status, when they could have chosen to go their own (and therefore known) school system.

The recognition will also provide legitimate perspectives on a high quality innovative European education system. To allow this, it is fundamental that the process initiated in Mondorf progresses along the original defined time-frame because we believe that any delay would directly impact the parents' confidence.

In particular, the recognition of the school with the European Baccalaureate at the end of studies is crucial to the secondary level studies in the Scuola per l'Europa.

Seeing the way we went through all passed steps we can only be confident about the smooth completion of the last ones. Nevertheless, we still feel it is important to reiterate our view at every stage.

We thank you very much in advance for your attention and support and remain at your disposal for any question you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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