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To the

UNFCCC Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI)

Subject:

submission to the SBI consultation "Ways of enhancing the implementation of training, public awareness, public participation and public access to information so as to enhance actions under the Agreement" (Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 83).

Dear ladies and gentlemen,

the UNFCCC, ECOSOC and GCF accredited observer organization IAAI is **welcoming** the attention being paid by the SBI to the topic of training, public awareness, public participation and public access to information, for the implementation of the Paris Agreement.

In our submission we would like to highlight the **systemic importance of youth engagement** on these topics and the **need for innovative large scale mobilization of resources** for youth empowerment for climate action.

We are welcoming the recognition of **ECOS** - the Education, Communication and Outreach Stakeholders Community (www.facebook.com/groups/ClimateECO) by the UNFCCC secretariat and we regard the fact that this stakeholder grouping is not referred to as "constituency", but as "community" as a big opportunity for the development of innovative knowledge based forms of multistakeholder engagement beyond those stakeholders who are accredited to the UNFCCC.

A very important **systemic necessity** for enhanced PA implementation action is a **data portal on the NAZCA platform** which will enable the documentation, verification, evaluation, incentivization (including gamification) of climate change education, training, information and outreach activities.

As regards the resource base for above mentioned activities, IAAI has launched at COP22 the large scale resource mobilization campaign "#GiveYouthAChance Call for Resources for Youth Climate Action" http://www.glocha.info/index.php/giveyouthachance for which there will be organized a Climate Action Giving Pledge dinner during COP23 inviting signatories of the Giving Pledge to learn about the Global Climate Action agenda and engagement opportunities for global philanthropy.

We would appreciate if within the SBI process there would be an opportunity to present these initiatives and to receive an official recognition of the importance of such partnerships efforts for implementation of the Paris Agreement

Yours faithfully,

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