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Dear **Sisters and friends**, all of us who share the vocation of **educating according to the way of M. Cándida**:

Today we would like to inform you that we are preparing **an international meeting of educators**. It will be held on **April 26 and 27, 2024**. Two days, three hours each, **from 12 to 3 p.m., Rome time**. In order for as many people as possible to participate, we have thought about it **in online mode**.

We have more than half a year ahead of us, but we know that school programming is done well in advance and we would like to give this event, no matter how simple it may be, some preference. The notice for registration will arrive at the beginning of March.

The meeting is intended as a means to **promote the union and articulation at a universal level of educators who follow the educational method of M. Cándida** and as an important moment in the process of adhering to the Global Compact on Education (GCE).

By then, there may be few schools that have not joined, participating can serve as motivation for them. Many will find themselves analyzing the extent to which their activity and educational climate are in line with it. The meeting seeks to publicize lived experiences and **encourage alliances with our own environment and with each other, to face the challenges that the world poses to us.**

We have **a thousand slots**. We believe that anyone who wants can register. We will open a pre-registration form at the beginning of March. The Team will confirm registration, ensuring that educators from all places can be present.

In principle, there is no other **condition to register than to be an educator at a Center that has the Ideology of the Hijas de Jesus** and that, therefore, endorses Our Characteristic Way of Educating. It is advisable to know, fundamentally, the GCE and what moment the Center is experiencing in relation to it.

Given the days and hours, **you will have to think about who should and can participate in each Center**, taking into account their circumstances, to make it compatible with the attention to the students and to facilitate the experience reaching colleagues who cannot be present at the meeting.

We anticipate that it will be a **space for training** and **sharing good practices and motivating dreams**[1]. Attached to this letter are the instructions to collaborate in this last aspect of the meeting.

With affection and with the hope of meeting each other.

María Teresa Pinto, FI.

Remember Stage II, ANALYSIS OF THE ACTIVITY OF THE EDUCATIONAL CENTER: **From the proposals of the Compact, we look at our school and detect some signs that we are aligned with the Compact and others that we are not.** Discovering the latter is very important (Letter of June 2023). Send, if possible, a simple testimony from your Center. It can be of three types:

1. **Good practices, testimonials presented by TEACHERS OR PROFESSORS** in this line:

[1] PS: At the meeting we will share **the dreams of the students, the good practices of the Faculty of Teachers and the willingness of professionals close to us (families) to make alliances.** We will share these testimonies to the extent that we have them. For which we ask for the collaboration of the Centers and, to facilitate it, we put some guidelines below.

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- ✓ when we have analyzed the activity and climate of the Center we have realized that there are **things that we have to stop doing** because they are not in line with the Compact. Sharing this is very valuable. That is, what we did, why, how we realized it, what plans we have now…
- ✓ when we have analyzed the activity and climate of the Center we have realized that there are **things that we have to continue doing, but in a different way**.

2. **Testimony of students.** They can give it if they know the Compact. Two possibilities are offered:
   - ✓ **"Of the Compact I like** (one of the seven aspects), **my dream would be… and I could collaborate…"** This format would be very valuable.
   - ✓ **"I am grateful for having participated in this experience** (of the Center) **because I feel that** (something specific related to people, values, curriculum, processes, relationships of the Center… in any of the seven commitments of the GCE) **has improved**.
3. **In all professions we can find "allies",** we can find them among the **parents of students** (educators; in the field of sports and culture; in agriculture or livestock work, in industry, tourism; in commerce, a small business, a workshop…; company managers, personnel managers; in healthcare; in an office facing the public; or from any other work environment…). If they do not know the GCE, they cannot participate.
   https://www.educationglobalcompact.org/en/resources/vademecum/
   They choose one of the seven commitments of the Compact. Their collaboration or testimony is prepared by answering this question: **"If the school invited me to be an educational agent, from my professional perspective, what could I do?"**

The testimony is presented through a short video. In each case, a person or a group can express themselves. Some recommendations when recording:

- Clean the lens before starting recording.
- It is important to leave a few seconds of silence before and after speaking.
- The video must last a maximum of one minute.
- Put the mobile phone in a horizontal position before starting to record.
- If possible, take advantage of natural light. The light must shine directly on the person who is speaking; light sources in the background of the image must be avoided (windows, lamps, sun…).
- The more natural the speech, the better. It is important not to read.
- Take care of the sound. Use microphone as much as possible. Headphones usually have a microphone. If recording outdoors, avoid places that are crowded or not very quiet.
- The layout should have air (space) above, below and on the sides. Avoid cutting off the head.
- Avoid sudden or rapid camera movements. If our wrist shakes a lot, we can always rest the device on a flat, fixed surface.
- Send raw videos, without editing or adding images, logos, watermarks…
- If the video is not recorded in Spanish, send the text attached and, if possible, the translation.
- Indicate in the file who the person or people speaking is: name, surname, job, connection.

Deadline for submission: **before December 15.**
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The videos will be presented at the meeting. But, if there were too many, we would share only some - due to time constraints - and the rest would be exhibited on the international web.