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CEESA HS HOSIC Skopje, Macedonia – November 14 - 17, 2013 Theme "Modern Society"

NOVA International Schools would like to invite you to the CEESA HOSIC (Hands-On Students Involvement Conference) on November 14 - 17, 2013. Included below is some general information.

Theme

In keeping with the principles of HOSIC, we empowered students in the process of choosing a theme. Our HOSIC students together with students for other CEESA school chose "**Modern Society**" as a topic that is interesting, challenging and relevant to them.

Commitment to participate

According to the CEESA Commitment List the schools who have indicated they will participate are:

- American School of Warsaw, Poland
- International School of Prague, Czech Republic
- American International School of Vienna, Austria
- Anglo-American School of Moscow, Russia
- Anglo-American School of Sofia, Bulgaria
- Kyiv International School, Ukraine
- American International School of Bucharest, Romania
- American International School of Budapest, Hungary

The following schools have indicated that they could possibly participate:

- American International School of Vilnius, Lithuania
- Istanbul International Community School, Turkey

Please confirm no later than **September 30th** your commitment to attend HOSIC. On confirmation of participation please estimate the number of students you will bring.

Imoprtant dates

Monday (30.Sep.2013)

Confirm commitment to participate (estimate numbers involved)

- Hotel requirements for the coaches
- Monday (07.October.2013)

Online forum set up so schools can post topics and descriptions

- Monday (21.October.2013)
- Completed Roster (flight details, rooming preferences, and dietary/allergic restrictions);
- Friday (01.November.2013)

Online Forum closed and topics confirmed

<u>Roster size</u>

Our housing limit is 80 students. We anticipate that each school will have a team of **8** students attending. On confirmation of participation please estimate the numbers you will bring. If schools wish to have more places contact me after September 30^{th} and we can negotiate accordingly.

Planning

Schools should plan to arrive in Skopje on Thursday, November 14th and depart on Sunday, November 17th;

NOVA International School will organize transport to and from the airport for all visiting schools. We will make arrangements for all transport for chaperones to and from school. Host families will ensure students get to school for the conference.

Housing

Students will be hosted with **NOVA families** for all three nights and will be expected to follow all CEESA guidelines regarding behaviour and curfew adherence.

The coaches will be accomodated at the **Hotel Aleksandar Palace** (*www.aleksandarpalace.com.mk*); The rates for the coaches are:

- Single room 100 euro per room, per night
- Twin room 130 euro per room, per night.

* The rates include accommodation, breakfast, use of the fitness & spa centre, tourist tax and 18% VAT * Additional meal (lunch or dinner) is 10 euro per person

Please contact the hotel directly by email to jasmina@aleksandarpalace.com.mk to reserve rooms as guests of NOVA, request the invoice for the rooms and pay in advance or inform the hotel about the payment upon arrival. Please CC me on all mails to the hotel so that I can assist if any issues arise.

Please check if your students and coaches need visa on this link: <u>www.mfa.gov.mk/?</u> <u>q=node/308&language=en-gb</u>

If you are in need of assistance for entry visas for the members of your team, please do not hesitate to let me know, and I will send you an Invitation Letter.

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