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INVITATION LETTER

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Dear School's Administrators,

Global Leadership English Challenge Vietnam Secretariat would like to send the warmest greetings and best wishes for health to your school's administrators, teachers, students, and your beloved families! Wishing your school a fruitful school year of 2022 with new success and achievements!

Global Leadership English Challenge is hosted by **Hope to the Future Association (HFA)**, a non-profit organization under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea that has achieved the status of associated Civil Society Organization with the **United Nations Department of Global Communications (UN DGC; <https://www.un.org/en/departments-global-communications>)**. In 2018, HFA has also been registered as an official member of the **United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI) Korea**. HFA operates both International Understanding Education Program and Sustainable Sponsorship Program to foster the global competence of domestic youth.

Global Leadership English Challenge (GLEC) is an English speech/essay contest for the youth worldwide on the subject of the United Nations and international issues. Starting from 2012, we are calling on the participation of the youth by selecting the theme of competition as the annual UN agenda and desirable targets for everyone in the world. The participants are divided into four tracks by grade, *from elementary to middle school, high school, and university*. Each track is given different topics based on 17 SDG goals. Through the competition, the participants are asked to analyze global issues, point out the problems of the status quo, and suggest a solution from their perspectives. The youth can formulate concrete ideas on how to tackle global challenges and develop critical thinking. GLEC project is greatly supported by UN-affiliated institutions such as the **United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI; <https://www.un.org/en/academicimpact>)**, an initiative that aligns institutions of higher education with the United Nations in supporting and contributing to the realization of United Nations goals and mandates.

Recent GLEC project in Vietnam last year was greatly successful to invite more than 600 students from all over the world, especially those who are interested in the grand theme "United Nations and the Sustainable Development Goals" and all related agendas. In cooperation with local institutions including **Thang Long University** and **Ton Duc Thang University**, GLEC starts from *Regional Preliminary Round* followed by *Regional Final Round*, both **online-based** at www.gleader.org, and all



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regional winners are invited to the **Global Round (Global GLEC Conference)** where all winners from each nation gathers and interact one another. Through these events, winners will have the opportunity to learn from UN high officials, Scholars, Ambassadors, and International Organization Experts, expecting to create a synergy between the professionals and the youth from Vietnam, China, Japan, and Korea and other countries in the world.

We would like to kindly request your cooperation and support to receive your student's active participation. Please contact our GLEC Secretariat with any questions regarding the contest and if possible, please kindly provide us contact information of the person in charge in your school so that we can proactively discuss in more details.

For more details about the program, please kindly find the information in the attached **Concept Note**. Or visit official website: www.gleader.org.

I sincerely appreciate your time and consideration and looking forward to our cooperation opportunity!

Sincerely,

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