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Press Release: The Association for Historical Dialogue and Research invites both sides to support ‘Imagine’ – A Commitment to Dialogue and Cooperation in Cyprus

The Association for Historical Dialogue and Research (AHDR) reaffirms its commitment to the continuation of the ‘Imagine’ Programme. ‘Imagine’ is a Peace Education initiative implemented by the AHDR since 2016 under the auspices of the Technical Committee on Education and supported by the United Nations.

Since its establishment, and despite challenges and attacks, ‘Imagine’ has continued to engage more than 8,200 students and 2,600 teachers from across the divide in Cyprus. The programme demonstrates, in practice, that cooperation, empathy, and mutual understanding can be fostered through education, and that intercommunal dialogue remains both possible and essential. ‘Imagine’ engages young learners and educators through educational workshops and trainings in different themes related to peace, anti-racism and human rights.

Recognised internationally, ‘Imagine’ has been honoured with the GENE Global Education Award 2020/2021, highlighting its innovative and sustained contribution to Peace Education in Cyprus.

As a civil society organisation, the AHDR is proud to have sustained this awarded initiative and to have kept open a space for educational encounters that build trust and promote a culture of peace. We remain ready to resume full intercommunal implementation of ‘Imagine’, with the participation of classrooms during school hours, as soon as both sides reaffirm their participation and commitment to this important confidence-building measure.

We extend our sincere appreciation to our donors, the Federal Foreign Office of the Republic of Germany, for their continuous support, and to the educators and young learners who have kept peacebuilding alive through education. Your dedication and belief in dialogue give strength, hope and meaning to our collective vision of a peaceful, inclusive, and united Cyprus.





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The AHDR remains here - committed, active, and open to all who wish to join us in this shared endeavour.

Find more about 'Imagine' here: <https://www.ahdr.info/our-work/imagine/>

Note for the editors:

About the AHDR:

The Association for Historical Dialogue and Research is an inter-communal, non-profit and non-governmental organization established in 2003 in Nicosia, Cyprus. The AHDR envisions to contribute to the advancement of dialogue, critical thinking and intercultural understanding amongst teachers, students, and the general public by providing access to various learning opportunities for all. More specifically, the AHDR promotes the study and research of the History of Cyprus in a critical and comprehensive way; develops supplementary educational material for educators and students in relation to History and Peace/ Anti-racist Education to be shared and used in and beyond classrooms; increases public awareness on the importance of dialogue and multiperspectivity; promotes a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence through education at a local, national and international level. In 2011 the AHDR opened the Home for Cooperation (H4C), a unique educational, cultural and community center in the heart of Nicosia, in the UN Buffer Zone.

