



Global Partnership sets forth between the International School of Brussels and greenlight for girls

Brussels, 26 June 2013: In the chateau administration building on the school's campus, a global partnership was signed today with International School of Brussels, a leader in international education, and greenlight for girls, an international non-profit organisation headquartered in Brussels and operating world-wide. With both ISB and g4g teams present to commemorate the official partnership, the organisations set forth plans to work on projects to support each other for their mutual missions and objectives.

"The story of greenlight for girls began with ISB three years ago," explains Melissa Rancourt, g4g Founder and Chairman. "Our very first event was on the ISB campus in which 200 girls from all over Brussels and nearby cities came together to have a fun-filled day of science workshops. The success of the day was due to ISB's amazing support, encouragement and beautiful environment. This gave us the confidence to create our events world-wide."

In today's signing ceremony, ISB's Director, Kevin Bartlett emphasised, "The partnership with greenlight for girls is a really important one for us. We choose our partners carefully, and only work with those who share our beliefs and values. In this case, it's a perfect fit. Maths, science and technology are key learning areas for us, and equity of access is the underpinning thread throughout our mission. It's a pleasure to partner with another non-profit driven with a passion for learning, inclusion and equity."

Both organisations will now be working together on upcoming programmes and new innovative learning ideas that can benefit others in other parts of the world. Joint activities include exploring Afterschool Coding Programmes and hands-on science activities in the classroom for girls and boys given by role model STEM professionals.

In addition, both organisations are gearing up for what is now the **fourth** greenlight for girls day in Brussels, an event that continues to grow, improve and gain interest from the community. David Willows, Director of External Relations, mentions, "the greenlight for girls day will take place in our new high school premises this year. The school is looking forward to working with the g4g team on creative ways to use our new learning labs, the forest classroom and new amphitheatre for their workshops."

"The greenlight for girls day in Brussels will take place on Saturday, November 16th so now is the time to mark your calendar," says Melissa. "We're always so thrilled at the anticipation of

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the girls when they register – in fact, we’ve had greenlight girls requesting a place since the day after the last event - one year ago!”

About the International School of Brussels

The International School of Brussels (ISB) offers a challenging, inclusive international education designed to give every student opportunities for success within and beyond our school. This education is provided by teams of outstanding, well-resourced teachers, working in world-class learning environments in a safe, secure campus. The ISB experience is shaped by a spirit of community, characterised by students, parents, faculty and staff working together to achieve our goal of developing independent learners and international citizens. ISB offers a challenging, coherent programme of academics, arts, sports and service, from Nursery to Grade 12/13.

For press inquiries, please contact David Willows, Director of External Relations at ISB, willowsd@isb.be.

About greenlight for girls

Greenlight for girls, asbl is an international organisation dedicated to inspire girls of all ages and backgrounds to pursue STEM subjects by introducing them to the world of science in fun and exciting ways. Headquartered in Brussels, Belgium, the organisation has grown immensely since its inception in 2010 now covering 5 continents, more than 800 volunteers and touching the lives of more than 6000 girls. The greenlight for girls Board of Directors is a dedicated group of science and technology professionals, gender equality experts and international educators, located in Europe, North America, India and Africa. Greenlight for Girls partners are individuals and organisations who share a common vision to make a positive difference in our children's and our society's future.

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