



To the parents of Waldorf and Rudolf Steiner schools and kindergartens

Brussels, March 2007

Dear parents,

Waldorf schools and kindergartens have become an integral part of contemporary culture. However, their potential for development in Europe is increasingly constrained by a growing body of guidelines and regulations. EU laws and decrees are now also having even more impact on other areas of cultural life, such as agriculture, special needs education and medicine.

For this reason the anthroposophic umbrella organisations in contact with European authorities in Brussels have together formed the

European Alliance of Initiatives for Applied Anthroposophy / ELIANT

They are thus collaborating to create conditions under which these initiatives can be legally secured for the citizens of Europe, and developed further as a contribution to Europe's future.

To do this, however, strong support and back-up is needed from the people of Europe – something we aim to achieve by collecting 1 million signatures.

Our goal is to assure the preservation of basic and human rights in Europe: to maintain rather than restrict diversity of methods and products, and freedom of choice in education and medicine.

- Parents should be able to choose the type of school they want for their children, in line with their views on education.
- All should be able to access the kinds of medical treatment and diet which accord with their way of life.

We would be very grateful if you can participate in the ELIANT campaign by adding your signature, and by drawing the attention of as many other people as possible to this initiative, in the hope that they too will feel motivated to join the petition campaign.

In Europe, petitions with 1 million or more signatures have real political weight. With your support we hope to achieve this.

With warm thanks and greetings on behalf of the Alliance's sponsors

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