## The American College of Greece



## Office of the President

October 27, 2015

The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE)

Subject: The American College of Greece: 2015 STARS Submission

Dear STARS Steering Committee,

On behalf of The American College of Greece, I am pleased to submit our first Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating report.

This reflects a collective six-month effort coordinated by the Office of Public Affairs and supported from all ACG departments that are currently engaged in sustainability-related activities and practices. Their contribution has been vital to the complete and timely preparation of the report and thus, I affirm the accuracy of our submission.

Founded in 1875, ACG is the oldest and largest US-accredited educational institution in Europe. ACG is an independent, non-profit institution which has always been particularly sensitive to sustainable development issues. Our approach has been holistic, aiming at including best practices not only in academic and environmental matters, but also in the areas of social responsibility, operations, human resources and procurement policies.

Going forward, our decision to join STARS stems from our commitment to embrace sustainability in a more systematic and purposeful way and gradually acquire a leading position among academic institutions in Southeastern Europe where sustainable development is concerned. To our knowledge, we are the first academic institution in Greece to file such a report.

We are fully convinced that STARS will help us achieve our goal in the most effective and practical manner.

Sincerely,

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