



# Office of the President

December 14, 2017

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

Subject: **The American College of Greece: 2017 STARS Submission.**

Dear STARS Steering Committee,

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

This report reflects a collective two-year effort coordinated by the Office of Public Affairs and supported from all ACG departments that are currently engaged in sustainability-related activities and practices – especially the ACG Center of Excellence for Sustainability. Their contribution has been vital to the complete and accurate preparation of our report.

Below you will find some of the milestones of the intervening period between reports, (December 2015-December 2017). During this time ACG has:

- Launched the "ACG Sustainability Strategic Plan" based on the four STARS pillars
- Established, for the first time in the college's history, the position of the Sustainability Manager, a full-time position reporting to the Vice President of Public Affairs
- Inventoried ACG's Green House Gas emissions as a crucial step towards reporting and gradually reducing our carbon footprint
- Launched a sustainability social media strategy and revamped its presence in social media (facebook, twitter, Instagram and flicker)
- Launched a revamped and enhanced sustainability section on ACG website
- Launched a yearly-long Waste Reduction and Recycling Campaign, in an effort to systematically guide ACG members towards effective waste reduction and recycling daily practices.
- Established new, global collaborations, such as the one with UN Academic Impact and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network

Going forward, we are committed to further implementing and enhancing sustainable development best practices.

Sincerely,

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President  
The American College of Greece