



## Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE)

### Media Release

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#### **Environmental Leaders from 70 Countries Gathering this Weekend in Copenhagen**

**Over 100 representatives from environmental organisations from all over the world will gather in Copenhagen from 19-21 June. The occasion is the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) General Assembly (GA) at UN City in Copenhagen.**

**Many topics concerning environmental education and education for sustainability will be discussed and decisions will be taken concerning the future direction of FEE. The meeting will be attended by the Danish Minister for the Environment, Kirsten Brosbøl, and by Professor Hans Bruyninckx, Executive Director of the European Environmental Agency.**

FEE is a non-government, non-profit organisation promoting sustainable development through environmental education worldwide. FEE is mainly active through its five environmental education programmes: Blue Flag, Eco-Schools, Young Reporters for the Environment, Learning about Forests and Green Key. The programmes engage over 14.5 million students from kindergarten through to university in environmental education. More than 4000 Blue Flag sites and 2100 Green Key sites have been awarded with these prestigious eco labels.

“This GA is the accumulation of the unification process which FEE has been going through for the past few years. Now all International Directors for the programmes are based in the FEE Head Office here in Copenhagen, which makes FEE and its programmes stronger for the future. We have confidence that FEE will continue to expand and play an important and influential role in global environmental education” says Daniel Schaffer CEO of FEE.

FEE is an umbrella organisation with one member organisation per country in charge of implementing FEE programmes nationally. Currently, FEE has member organisations in 68 countries worldwide including the USA, Africa, China, India, Australia and most countries in Europe.

Michael Ierides from FEE’s member organisation in Cyprus added: “Being a Member of FEE is like being part of a huge, happy family. Not only do we share five programmes, but the networking possibilities amongst the members are endless! We have friends we can trust all over the planet.”

FEE holds a GA every two years. The GA is the highest authority of the organisation and is used for determining the overall policy and direction of the organisation. For the FEE GA 2014 in Copenhagen, the staff at the FEE Head Office aims to provide the delegates with an impression of Copenhagen as being one of the most environmentally friendly capitals in the world.

*Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) is an international charity that has been promoting environmental education for sustainable development since 1981. FEE is an umbrella organisation with members in more than 60 countries worldwide. FEE is active in environmental education mainly through five programmes: Blue Flag, Green Key, Eco-Schools, Young Reporters for the Environment and Learning about Forests. More information about FEE and the FEE programmes can be found at [www.fee-international.org](http://www.fee-international.org).*

The FEE GA will be streamed live on Friday 20 June via the following link:  
<http://streaming.uncity.dk/uncity>

FEE and its member organisations are delighted to be hosted at the Copenhagen City Hall on Friday evening.

**For more information contact Anna Normann, FEE Head Office, on: +45 61248083 or +46709 513786 or visit <http://www.fee-international.org> or Foundation for Environmental Education on Facebook.**



Notes to Editors:

FEE is a non-government, non-profit organisation promoting sustainable development through environmental education worldwide.

FEE's vision is a sustainable world in which education creates positive change for all.

FEE is an international umbrella organisation whose member organisations represent FEE nationally and are in charge of implementing FEE programmes in their countries. FEE currently has member organisations in 68 countries worldwide.

FEE is recognised by various UN organisations such as UNEP, UNESCO and World Tourism Organisation. FEE collaborates with other international stakeholders, such as the European Environmental Agency, the International Conservation Union, Earth Charter etc.

The FEE Head Office is based in Copenhagen, Denmark. For more information and contact details of our member organisations running FEE programmes visit <http://www.fee-international.org/en>