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To selected National Coordinators
of UNESCO Associated Schools
(ASPnet)

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**Subject: Invitation to the UNESCO Associated Schools to participate in the
Poster Competition “Art in Action – Empowering Young People
against HIV and AIDS”**

Dear ASPnet National Coordinator,

UNESCO is pleased to announce a poster competition for secondary schools, organized by the UNESCO Section on HIV and AIDS in collaboration with the UNESCO Associated Schools (ASPnet), in preparation for the International AIDS Conference (IAC) in Vienna, 18-23 July 2010. Through this competition, UNESCO aims to raise knowledge on HIV and AIDS among young people.

We are pleased to invite you to support the promotion and dissemination of information about this competition among the ASPnet secondary schools of your country. You will find a detailed description of the contest in the enclosed brochure. We would appreciate it if you could forward it to the schools and encourage their participation.

In order to facilitate the process for teachers, UNESCO will send you supporting documents on HIV and AIDS Education, which can shortly be distributed to the participating ASPnet schools.

The schools are asked to select one poster entry *per school* based on the criteria outlined in the attached brochure and send it to us no later than **15 May 2010**.

By post to: UNESCO HQ
Education Sector
Division for the Coordination of UN Priorities in Education
Section on HIV and AIDS
7, Place de Fontenoy
75352 Paris 07 SP France
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Or by email to: aids@unesco.org

Or upload to: www.unesco.org/education/aids/poster-competition/2010

From all submitted entries, five winning entries will be selected from the regions and one global winning poster will be chosen from amongst this group of five. The winners will be announced on 1 June 2010. Each regional winning entry will receive an official certificate of merit. The global winner will be featured in the forthcoming International AIDS Conference in Vienna, 18-23 July 2010, as the official UNESCO poster. The winning design will also be used for UNESCO conference materials.

The prizes will be:

- Prize 1: a video camera for the school.
- Prizes 2-5: a digital camera for each school.

Please feel free to share this information, and to translate or adapt the content of the brochure as necessary to publicize the contest (but please ensure that the contest criteria are not changed).

Should you have any further questions regarding the contest or wish to request any additional materials, please do not hesitate to contact Schéhérazade Feddal (s.feddal@unesco.org), or the UNESCO contact persons for HIV and AIDS in your region; Larisa Permyakova (l.permyakova@unesco.org) and Tigran Yepoyan (t.yepoyan@unesco.org).

It is hoped that this contest will demonstrate the talent and creativity of young people and the commitment of their schools, but above all the role that they can play in containing the spread of HIV and AIDS.

We take this opportunity to express our appreciation of your coordination of the ASPnet schools in your country and we thank you in advance for your collaboration in this contest.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosure: UNESCO Poster Competition Brochure