

Dear Parents,

The European Commission has announced an information session on a number of significant changes to the organisation of studies in the secondary cycle being proposed by The Board of Governors of the European School system – the so-called “reform” mentioned below.

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### ***Reform of the secondary cycle in the European Schools***

*In order to meet the concerns of parents and to give the possibility to ask questions, the European Commission has invited the deputy Secretary General of the European Schools, Mr Marcheggiano, to a lunch-time session with video-streaming.*

*Internet link :<http://scic.ec.europa.eu/streaming/index.php?es=2&sessionno=b65f2ecd2900ba6ae49a14d9c4b16fb4>*

*This presentation of the proposed changes relating to the reform of the secondary cycle in the European Schools and the opportunity to ask questions will be given on **Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> November between 12h45 -14h30.***

*Parents living outside Brussels were invited to send questions to [HR-MAIL-C2@ec.europa.eu](mailto:HR-MAIL-C2@ec.europa.eu) before the 18/11. The FAPEEEL has forwarded its questions.*

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These changes will impact **all** children attending the European School, those still in their first years of schooling, as well as those coming to the end of their studies, and we wish to make you aware of what is being proposed. Up to now, the proposals have been developed at the level of the Secretary General’s Office via its various Administrative Boards. Reservations on several aspects of the proposals expressed by inspectors, teachers, and parents’ representatives via Interparents have not been given due consideration. Moreover, there has been limited information on the changes which are being proposed to stakeholders, particularly parents more generally through their local parents associations: **parents in Luxembourg and elsewhere have not been properly consulted.**

The FAPEEEL suggests that all parents with children in the Luxembourg European School System **inform themselves** of the proposed changes. Please see the attached documentation which outlines the Board of Governors’ (BoG) “reform” proposal, and which we are now making available online at [www.fapeeel.lu](http://www.fapeeel.lu). Please keep in mind that these documents have not yet been officially ratified, in other words, *at least theoretically, the possibility of parents’ opinion influencing the way this pans out, still exists.* We further encourage parents to **log on to the 18<sup>th</sup> November video-streaming session**, if possible.

For parents unable to do this, the Parents’ Associations of Luxembourg will be planning additional information sessions in the coming weeks (dates/times to be announced). In particular, we are discussing the possibility of a visit to Luxembourg by the Secretary General of the BoG of the European School system who could address the Luxembourg parents in person. A tentative date for this event is 27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> November. We will provide you with more details once we receive confirmation.

Thank you for your involvement. As we receive more information, we will make it available online to all parents at [www.fapeeel.lu](http://www.fapeeel.lu).

Best regards,

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