

GRUPPMAN INTERNATIONAL MUSIC INSTITUTE

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Dear colleague,

Vesna and I would like to congratulate you with official establishment of the North America Hub for the MP, under the name *VERTEX*. We'll be glad to continue to work with you on promotion of a mountain cause and sustainable mountain development (SMD) agenda of the United Nations in the Rocky Mountain region and beyond its borders.

As far as your question about participation at the 4th Global Meeting of the Mountain Partnership in Erzurum, Turkey concerned, we are not able to go to Turkey due to our teaching obligations. At the same time we'll be glad if Vertex could represent us during the meeting and discussions of the draft Governance and Strategy document for the period 2014-2017.

Gruppmann International Music Institute supports *VERTEX* as a candidate for the Civil Society Member of the Steering Committee for North & Central American and the Caribbean. We know your institution quite well as a very active one in promoting a mountain cause in the region of North America.

We'll welcome to establish linkages between the *VERTEX* and our web-sites: <http://www.gruppmanninstitute.com/Home.html>

We are looking forward to working with you on building a network of MP members in North and Central America and the Caribbean in the future in order to improve livelihoods of the mountain communities in our region and worldwide.

Sincerely,



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