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EARTH CHARTER INTERNATIONAL AND KAPPA DELTA PI JOIN FORCES TO FOSTER EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

(San José, Costa Rica)—As we celebrate the Summer solstice, we welcome a new partnership between Earth Charter International and Kappa Delta Pi (KDP), International Honor Society in Education. With both organizations working for many years in the field of quality education and dedicated to supporting teachers, it was only a matter of time for them to meet and join forces. The partnership envisions collaboration on Education for Sustainable Development Programs articulated in the Earth Charter values.

Through this partnership, members of Kappa Delta Pi will have special access to the Earth Charter materials, which they can use in their schools and universities to increase their capacity to incorporate the “knowledge, values, and skills needed for a sustainable way of life” into their teaching.

KDP Executive Director Faye Snodgress shared, “KDP supports educators throughout all phases of their teaching careers by offering a variety of programs, services, and resources. The cooperation with Earth Charter International provides our members with knowledge and tools they can use to advance awareness and action for sustainable learning and living.”

“Partnering with KDP, an organization committed to the values of both the UNESCO Chair on Education for Sustainable Development and the Earth Charter,” said Earth Charter Executive Director Marian Vilela, “makes it possible to reach thousands of teachers and help them in their professional development to support the transition to sustainable ways of living on the planet.”

About Kappa Delta Pi
Kappa Delta Pi (KDP), International Honor Society in Education, was founded in 1911 at the University of Illinois to foster excellence in education and promote fellowship among those dedicated to teaching. As a professional membership association and international honor society in education, KDP provides programs, services, and resources to its member educators to support and enhance their professional growth—all in an effort to advance quality education for all and to inspire teachers to prepare all learners for future challenges. With more than 650 active chapters and nearly 40,000 active members, the organization has seen great accomplishments and milestones in its 107-year history and is looking forward to a future where all children receive a quality education.

About Earth Charter
The Earth Charter is an ethical framework for building a just, sustainable, and peaceful global society in the 21st century. It seeks to inspire a new sense of global interdependence and shared responsibility for the well-being of the whole human family, the greater community of life, and future generations. The Earth Charter provides a valuable educational instrument. It encourages to search for common ground in the midst of our diversity and to embrace a global ethic that is shared by an ever-growing number of people.