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Dear Professor Whitehead

Re: Confirmation of your role as Education and Learning Stream Coordinating Chair for the Eighth Action Learning Action Research World Congress 2010.

Following our letter of invitation dated 8th February, and our subsequent discussions with you, we are writing to formally confirm your role as Education and Learning Stream Coordinating Chair for ALARA's Eighth World Congress, taking place in Melbourne, Australia, September 6-9, 2010.

We are delighted that you have agreed to take on this significant role in facilitating a global dialogue to explore the foundations, current applications and future hybridisations of Action Research and Action Learning in the field of Education across all life stages and sectors, on a world stage.

The World Congress Organising Committee is familiar with your groundbreaking contributions in Living Theory as a powerful and contemporary variant of the action research field and welcomes the engagement of your professional and academic colleagues and institutions in the network development that this role will make possible.

As well as facilitating the development of this new network, you are also invited to submit a keynote address to the Education and Learning Stream on the third day of the Congress if you are able to join us, or if we can arrange a virtual mode of delivery in your physical absence. If this is not possible, Dr Boulet will be in contact with you about introducing you to a locally based co-facilitator who will support your stream's connection with the local site visits planned for the third day, and who may also deliver an address for the Stream. The Congress editorial panel will review and choose all keynote papers for a prestigious post Congress publication.

Dr Uhlmann will be your primary contact person in realising your Coordination role, which we hope to have established by April. Dr Uhlmann will also approach you for additional sponsorship and



marketing leads to further build the Congress and its potential to be the scale of catalytic event that we all intend.

In the mean time and on behalf of ALARA, Borderlands and the World Congress Management Committee we thank you most sincerely for your agreement to join us, and look forward to the advances to the Action Research and Action Learning field that your engagement will undoubtedly create.

Yours sincerely

Dr Susan Goff

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