To the kind attention of the Director of the Organization

Subject: Participation to the Festival Footprints 2014

We hereby wish to inform you of the second edition of "FOOTPRINTS", a local Festival for Children's Theatre, which took place in the Province of Varese from October 2013 to January 2014. Please find at this link a short video of the first edition:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=Pp_gyuE3qN4

The project was born after seven years of detailed work which had the support of about sixty national and international companies of children's theatre. We presented performances in theatres, squares, schools, hospitals and multi-purpose centers about one hundred and forty thousand participants.

Since 1995 Associazione Progetto Zattera has been operating in the Province of Varese working on projects for children which provide training, animation and organization. In recent years, through the management of events for children at the Cinema Teatro Nuovo in Varese, we managed to activate several projects with local schools, creating many events such as Festa del Teatro, Marcia dei Diritti and Numeri di Teatro.

In recent years, these projects have been included in calls for proposal promoted by several organizations such as Provincia di Varese, Fondazione Cariplo, Fondazione Comunitaria del Varesotto, Regione Lombardia, Agenzia Nazionale dei Giovani (ANG), Comune di Varese and ASL di Varese, which returned a cultural, innovative and competitive experience to the area, highlighting the importance of a national and international network not only including aspects of our artistic resources.

For the year 2014, we are planning to address some issues that consider the classic fairy tale, ecology and history of mankind, dwelling in particular upon the personal experiences of characters of the European History. If it was possible to mail your videos and the sheets of the shows you have selected, we will take account of your proposals for a future programme. We would like that the next edition will be for the city of Varese, which will host the exhibition, a meeting point of the centers of theatrical productions, in particular for the National Children’s Theatre.

Sincerely,

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