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Dear Friends;

YOU are reading this mail, because you are a Servas member.

Being a Servas Member is to TOOL point for supporting Peace and Goodwill and Friendship around the entire world.

That means responsibility for me to take actions for Peace and Goodwill and Friendship like YOU...

I am a volunteer of Servas for 5 years, as National Sec, Deputy, International Interviewer, SI DFC Member, but not only for Servas, also have taken part, organized and worked with subjects related with Peace Activities and Corporate Social Responsibility Projects around the world, by running the Social Solutions Group Platform as Innovation Director recently.

### WHAT I HAVE EXPERIENCED

Finding out PEACE and AWARENESS in being the change was so nice for every one of us... Finally day by day we changed and reformed... and reformed... and reformed... This process is still an ongoing process for each and every one of us...

In that way some points about life, we have discovered such as:

- **Let's live the moment** with love, gratitude, feelings and awareness.
- We are the entire **ONE**. We live in a house from different countries, 6 different religions, and 2 different colors, with different incomes and wishes and ideas... But when we sit on the same dinner table we eat the same, we have the same plates, and we use the same words and movements to express our feelings. We look different but not separated... **WE are all one...**
- We can only **change ourselves** to be able to create a change in the world. (**Let's be the change**, we wish to see in the world)
- There is no TRY. There is **DO or DO NOT**. (**Let's do** something and **let's start** from a point)
- **Let's not be** reflective, **let's be creative and walk towards the positive**. (E.g. instead of saying NO WAR, let's CALL FOR PEACE.)
- EGO is the most critical thing we need to deal and understand. Let's not do anything for our EGO, **let's do it, if we love to do** something.
- **Let's Do actions**, rather than giving comments.
- World is full of competition, **let's change ourselves & focus on Collaboration**
- Finally "**Let's act as we are**, or act as we seem." The road of SUFI (Mevlana RUMI)  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rumi>

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### **My Dear Friend;**

Servas is an organization that carried me lots of subjects that helped me to understand me on my way. I appreciate it when I write down effects above...

One of the major realities of "Servas is being a Peace Activist, a Dreamer, a Friend," As Servas founder Bob Luitweiler said.

Starting from mind...First dreaming... then, Being activist...  
Finally To create a positive change...  
Let's call for peace for the entire world...

Today 24 April 2009, with my full wish, with my friends request in Servas, with my friends' wishes around me, with my families' support, with my studies, with projects completed, with projects to be done...

I decided to be a nominee for **Servas International EXCO Peace Secretary, in GA 2009 Argentina...**

### WHAT AND HOW I CAN DO, AS a Servas International Peace Secretary

I share what responsibilities I will take to become **Servas International Peace Secretary ...**

#### WHAT

- 1- **Take actions / Help** to create ways for Servas and Servas members as a Peace Activists, **calling for peace** for every human being and organize Peace Activities for the awareness of Peace around the world.
- 2- **Take actions / Help** for Servas as an NGO **to Create the Projects** to achieve a collective program for **Sustainable Peace Studies**.

#### HOW

- 1- Make collaboration with Servas Members, National Peace Secretaries, National Secretaries, DFC and SI Executive Committee additionally peace activists' from International/National NGOs-Civil Platforms-Organizations for working together.
  - a. Use more than 15 recent contacts, which know & want to work with Servas.
  - b. These are international and national NGOs working on woman rights, education, sustainable life, organic structures of food, agriculture, etc.
  - c. No Servas budget & travel expenses required for the project.
- 2- Strengthen & Cause Servas as an active and impulse to "world peace call" with the studies and the approaches we work on.
  - a. Apply with partners to activities with projects (Human Settlement, Human Rights, Woman's Life, Man's Life, Disabled Person, AIDS, Child work, Education, International Relations etc.)
  - b. No Servas budget & travel expenses required for the project.
- 3- Take actions for Servas International to become consultative statutes in UN and be in contact with UN for Peace Activities.
  - a. Then Servas will be authorized to give proposals to UN & UNDP & CONGO.
  - b. No Servas budget & travel expenses required for the project.
- 4- Incorporate Servas in to a network to find out the volunteers for peace projects around the world.
  - a. No Servas budget & travel expenses required for the project.
- 5- Start a program for European Volunteer System Service with Servas with my recent relations and contacts with EU (European Union) & EU Turkish Agency [www.ua.gov.tr](http://www.ua.gov.tr) & NGO Confederation of Turkey.
  - a. Budget will be found by approved 3<sup>rd</sup> partner, not from Servas.
- 6- Share the Sustainable Life Film Festival Turkey outputs and films around Servas Countries.
  - a. No Servas budget & travel expenses required for the project.
- 7- Establish a Servas Community Life House in the world, where people will volunteer, work, accommodate and do peace projects together.
  - a. SI Budget will be asked, if not 3<sup>rd</sup> partners will be searched.
  - b. No travel expenses required for the project.

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I wish I were clear, direct, specific and energetic enough to share what I feel.

I sent this e-mail to inform you what I can do as **Servas International Peace Secretary**, and ask your support for collaboration.

With Health & Peace

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