

Dear LAS alumni and friends,

We hope this message finds you healthy and safe during this unsteady time.

We wanted to bring you up to date, as LAS alumni, on the actions our school has taken to ensure the safety and well-being of our community during the current global outbreak of COVID-19. Our Head of School, Dr. Marc-Frederic Ott, Head of Operations, Dr. Christoph Ott, and the LAS Board of Directors made the decision to close our school a few weeks ago and send our students home early for their Spring Break.

Tentatively, we hope to re-open in late April, dependent on the global outlook. We will begin our LAS Remote Learning Plan with our students on April 6, 2020. Our teachers, Rapid Response Team, and the community of LAS have worked closely to make this a seamless and safe transition. We are so very grateful for the calls, emails, social media posts, and texts from so many of you checking in and offering your support.

Below, please find information about all of our upcoming events and plans for 2020, including the Reunion Weekend in June (not the 60th Anniversary Celebration in 2021):

- Our <u>Global Signature Event Series</u> scheduled in Iran, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, Russia, and Turkey *are all POSTPONED for now*. We will visit all of these countries in the future so stay tuned for more information.
- Our 2020 Reunion Weekend, scheduled for June 19-21, is currently still on, but we will be monitoring the situation and will try to give you at least a month's notice if we decide to cancel.

At this time, we are limiting visitors to campus in order to create the safest environment possible. LAS has complied with cantonal and Swiss national recommendations to implement remote working conditions for our employees where feasible. Our school buildings will be also closed to visitors for most of the work day. Should you wish to consider a visit to LAS in the future, please contact us so that we can facilitate your visit.

During the course of the 2019/2020 school year, we have had the privilege of traveling to over 10 countries and 20 cities to meet with over 600 alumni. It has been an honor and a joy to meet and reconnect with so many of you. We look forward to continuing these travels to see as many of you as possible once there is more global stability.

Please feel free to reach out to either of us with any questions you may have.

Warmest regards,

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