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Dear Madam,

The Municipality of Lesvos, on behalf of all the associated Institutions for the promotion of the Lesvos Geopark, has the pleasure of officially request its admission to the European Geopark Network and the Global Geoparks Network operating under the auspices of UNESCO, and therefore, the recognition of Lesvos island as European and Global Geopark.

The Lesvos Geopark candidature application has been prepared by the Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest and the University of the Aegean, along with the Municipality of Lesvos. This application includes the area of the Lesvos Petrified Forest – European and Global Geopark (15.000 ha) layed on the Lesvos western peninsula and extends its limits to cover the total area of Lesvos island (163.600 ha). All institutions are fully committed to the principles underlined in the Charter of the European Geoparks.

The Lesvos Geopark will collaborate with all other public and private institutions dealing with the promotion of the Lesvos geological, ecological and cultural Heritage as well as the sustainable local development through the promotion of thematic tourism (geo-tourism, eco-tourism, cultural tourism, educational tourism etc).

We are pleased to present you with our candidature and the attached documents and would be grateful if you receive them positively, considering our proposal valuable and bringing added value to the European and Global Geopark Networks.

Hoping for a favorable assessment of our application, please do not hesitate to let us know any comments on how we could improve it.

We thank you very much in advance for the efforts the European Geoparks Network and the Global Geoparks Network puts into the evaluation of our candidature and for your kind attention.

Yours faithfully,

