



Dear Mr. Apte,

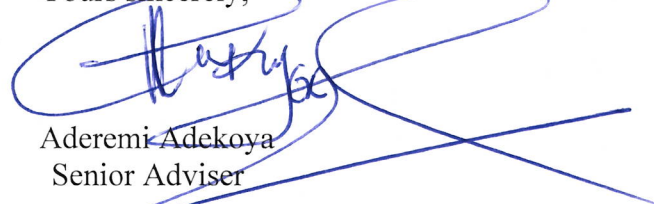
I would like to express my appreciation of your work with a group of 20 women changemakers under the **Uplifting Cyprus: Mindful Leadership** project implemented by International Association for Human Values Cities4Peace initiative in collaboration with Hands Across The Divide, a local intercommunal women's organization.

As part of the project, that was supported by UNFICYP, these women leaders and changemakers (from both Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot communities) were equipped with the tools and knowledge to be even stronger advocates for peace, empowered to use self-care tools, create a community of support and implement their own peace projects to make a positive impact in their own communities and beyond.

I believe the training has inspired the participants to work together, to promote peace within and between their communities for peacebuilding. It is our understanding that 80% of the participants reported that the training was a good investment of time and gave them practical tools to enhance self and community awareness.

I applaud you for all your efforts that went beyond the call of duty to empower and support this group to build their leadership capacity and become stronger advocates for peace in Cyprus.

Yours sincerely,



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