



### ***International Baccalaureate Mission Statement***

*The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.*

*To this end the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.*

*These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.*

### ***Community Theme:      Sharing our Humanity***

*The IB community now includes more than 2370 schools, 644,000 students, teachers, parents, staff and examiners and other colleagues in 128 countries.*

*In an effort to strengthen this large and growing community and the IB mission, which we share, the IB has initiated an exciting new project—the IB community theme. The idea of a community theme was conceived in 2006 and the first theme: **sharing our humanity**, was officially launched in April 2007 at the annual general meeting. The theme, lasting three years, is intended to serve as a focus for the IB and IB World Schools, to capture the excellent initiatives that are already underway in many schools and encourage and inspire new activities, in and out of the classroom, around the following topics:*

- *Global poverty*
- *Peace and conflict*
- *Education for all*
- *Global infectious diseases*
- *Digital divide - uneven access to information and communication technologies*
- *Disasters and emergencies*