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To the Board Chair, Vít Herynek
To the Community Leader, Štěpánka Míchalová
To the International Representative, Johan Roose
And to all the members of L'Arche Villa Vallila Community

January 2024

Re: Status of the L'Arche Villa Vallila community

Dear friends,

During their meetings in November and December 2023, the International Stewardship Board and the International Leadership Team considered the application made by L'Arche Villa Vallila Community to become a probationary community of the International Federation of L'Arche.

We were encouraged to hear about your community's journey over the years, especially the transition to the post-founder era. We are satisfied that the community is consistent with the Federation Charter, Constitution, and policies.

As such, the decision was a unanimous vote. It is with great joy that we welcome your community as a probationary member of the Federation.

As a probationary member, your community will continue to receive visits from the International Envoy, Johan Roose and will participate in all aspects of Federation life. You are asked to sign a Probationary Membership Agreement with the International Federation of L'Arche communities. However, you cannot exercise your right to vote until you are granted confirmed membership. As a member of the Federation, the International Constitution, the International charter, and policies of the Federation, which include financial transparency, payment of dues and solidarity with other communities apply to you.

We give thanks for your progress thus far and rejoice in the fact that we will continue this journey as fellow travellers. You can count on our support as you continue to deepen your relationships within the community and the Federation, and to develop the structures and means necessary to fulfil your mission.

Thank you for your community's gift to your local society, to the unity and diversity of your country and to the Federation.

Yours Sincerely,

Sylvain Brabant