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Dr. Kourosh Lotfi is an associate professor at the Linköping Medical University in Sweden. He is also the Director of hematological studies and the head of research for clinical and basic studies at the hematology clinic. His research and expertise lie in cancer research and therapy.



Please tell us about yourself and your trajectory?

I was born in Iran and then studied at medical school in Sweden. I am now an associate professor at the Linköping University Hospital, and also practice there.

How did you learn about GLH and why did you feel it was important, for you and the University as well?

I have the great opportunity of personally knowing one of the founders of GLH, my cousin Nassrine Azimi. When she reached out to me to ask help for finding GLH partners in Sweden, I could not refuse. Due to my interest in nature and the environment, I decided to work with GLH to bring the project to Sweden.

GLH is about a nuclear weapon-free world, peace and nature - In your opinion, how can it be used to inspire and create awareness for all generations, especially younger ones?

That is a very difficult question, and deserves a lengthy reflection. But to answer very briefly I think the most important thing we can do is to help the next generation to "NOT FORGET".

Partners in Profile



Although your background is not directly from the world of biodiversity and plants, how has this field inspired and influenced your life and work as a doctor, especially one working across borders and cultures?

In every contact with my patients, I understand that we as individuals are mortal but human kind and nature are eternal and the goal is to preserve them for the future. I have travelled to many countries around the world, and have always found these truths to be universal.

What is your advice to those not in the field of science, about contributing to create awareness about plants and biodiversity, and about peace?

I think all people in this planet are aware about the consequences of disturbing biodiversity. The most important thing is to choose leaders, who are aware and committed to trying to make a change, so we can save as much as we can before it is too late.



Nassrine Azimi and Dr. Lotfi exchanging agreement letter for sending saplings to Linköping (June 2014).



Nassrine Azimi with Dr. Lotfi and family (June 2014).