

HELLENIC REPUBLIC CAPITAL MARKET COMMISSION

VICE- CHAIRMAN

Athens, 5 March 2018 Ref. No: **1115**

European Commission, Horizon 2020- ICT-35-2018 CSA Call

Dear Sirs/Madams,

Subject: Letter of support for -FIN-TECH: A FINancial TECHnology training platform-proposal

The Hellenic Capital Market Commission (hereinafter HCMC) has been approached by Prof. Veni Arakelian from Panteion University, who submits, together with other 24 European Universities and fintech partners, a project proposal on 'FIN-TECH: A FINancial TECHnology training platform' in response to the Coordinated and Support Action Call Horizon 2020 ICT-35-2018 from your organization.

We understand that the research team is proposing us to developing a state-of-the-art innovative and research based educational program in the areas of Robot Advisory, Big Data, RegTech, Artificial Intelligence, Algorithmic Trading, Blockchain, and/or Cryptocurrencies, that our staff and staff from supervised investment firms possibly invited by us could attend free of charge. Said educational programme will be developed on demand and delivered on-site by our respective network of partners, funded by the Call. Ms. Eleftheria Apostolidou, Director of Research (e.apostolidou@cmc.gov.gr) will be the contact person at the HCMC for this project.

We thus endorse such knowledge transfer, from established academic institutions to public service bodies like the HCMC and can confirm that we are very interested in participating and benefiting from the proposed educational program. Since we expect it to enhance our knowledge and resulting ability to serve the public, we express our support for this research proposal. We are hereby confirming that we are happy to assign the necessary time in the proposed education programme, and participate in the project related workshops when possible.

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