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

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

Dear Sirs/Madams,

We have been approached by Professor Tomaso Aste form University College London who, together with 24 other European research centres and FinTech partners, is submitting a project proposal entitled 'FIN-TECH: A FINancial TECHnology training platform' in response to the Coordinated and Support Action Call Horizon 2020 ICT-35-2018.

We understand that the main deliverable of the project is a "standardised" training platform, common to all European countries, containing a set menu of training classes for regulators and FinTech hubs, to be aligned with state-of-the art R&D in Financial Technology. The training platform will be developed by a group of independent experts from proponent Universities that have leading research expertise in the field.

As expected, we are interested in such projects that seek to transfer knowledge from established academic centres of excellence to start up FinTech companies and public service organisations such as us. We can also confirm that we are interested in participating and benefiting from the proposed educational program. We expect this educational program will enhance our knowledge and the resulting ability to serve the public, and accordingly would recommend you call for research on this subject matter.

We would also expect to participate in project related workshops where resources are available, and the topics are regulatory-related ones.

Yours sincerely,

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