## Central Bank of Ireland - UNRESTRICTED

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 researchers from UCD (led by Prof. Valerio Poiti and Prof Andreas Hopner), who are submitting, together with other 24 European research center 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 organisation.

We understand that the research team is proposing to developing a state-of-the-art innovative and research based education program in the areas of Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Cryptocurrencies, Cybersecurity, Financial Data Science, Marketplace lending, RegTech and/or Robot Advisory. This potentially opens up training to our staff free of charge. This education programme will be developed on demand and delivered on-site by our respective network of partners, funded by the Call.

We commend the initiative as it embodies knowledge transfer as well as sound research foundations, carried out by established academic centers of excellence. We confirm that we are very interested in participating and benefiting from the proposed educational program, should the applicants be successful.

We expect this educational program to enhance our knowledge and resulting ability to serve the public and commend you for your call for research on this subject matter. We are hereby confirming that we will engage with it.

Yours sincerely,

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