

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

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

Dear Sir, dear Madam,

We have been approached by researchers from University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (led by Dr Christophe Henot), who are submitting, together with other 24 European research centres and FinTech partners, a project proposal on "FIN-TECH: A FINancial TECHnology training platform" in response to the Coordinated and Support Action (CSA) Call Horizon 2020 ICT-35-2018 from your organisation.

We understand that the project is intended to bring together European regulatory bodies FinTech firms and other relevant organisations, to facilitate the operations of European FinTech firms and to support the cross-border networking of FinTech ecosystems and hubs. One essential aspect is building capacity and expertise regarding the new technologies and models to support early understanding for regulators or supervisors.

For this purpose, the research team proposes developing a state-of-the-art innovative and research-based education program in the area of FinTech, including topics such as Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Cybersecurity, Financial Data Science, Marketplace lending, RegTech and/or Robo Advisory, that our staff and staff from other legislators, public officers or FinTech stakeholders invited by us could take free of charge. This education programme will be developed on demand and delivered on-site by our respective network of partners, funded by the CSA Call Horizon 2020 ICT-35-2018.

We highly endorse such knowledge transfer between established academic centres of excellence, FinTech companies and regulators and confirm that we are interested in participating and benefiting from the proposed project. We expect this project to enhance the knowledge and resulting ability to improve and comply with the relevant rules and regulations in the FinTech area. We are hereby confirming that we are happy to assign the necessary time in the proposed education programme, and also to participate in the project-related workshops when possible.

Sincerely yours,

*Signatory:*

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