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

Dear Sirs/Madams,

We have been approached by researchers from the Faculty of Economics, University of Rijeka (led by Prof. Saša Žiković), 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 Call Horizon 2020 ICT-35-2018.

We understand that the purpose of this project is to bring together regulatory and supervisory authorities for financial services and FinTech firms where one of the essential aspects of the project is to build capacity and expertise regarding the new technologies and to support early understanding for regulatory and supervisory authorities.

For this purpose, the research team proposes to develop a state-of-the-art innovative and research-based education programme in the areas of Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Cryptocurrencies, Cybersecurity, Financial Data Science, Marketplace lending, RegTech and/or Robot Advisory, that could be free of charge for our staff and the staff from FinTech companies that we would invite. This education programme that will be developed on demand, and delivered on-site by our respective network of partners, funded 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 project. We expect this educational program to enhance our knowledge and resulting ability to serve the public and comment you for your call for research on this subject matter. We are hereby confirming that we are happy to assign the necessary time in the proposed education programme, and also participate in the project related workshops when possible.

With kind regards,

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