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To:
Research Trust of Victoria University of Wellington
PO Box 600
Wellington 6140
Attn: Dr. Yi Mei, School of Engineering and Computer Science

**Invoice for Services Rendered 2025 under the Catalyst Leader Grant
PO Nr. RTV1004598**

Concerning our *Catalyst Leader Fellowship* contract nr. ILF-VUW2301 and more specifically the Contract for Services in 2024 signed in June 2024, I hereby send you the invoice for the agreed duties I have fulfilled in this year, which include in particular:

- Attended and gave keynote talks at workshops organised under the sponsorship of the Royal Society Catalyst Leaders Fund.
- Met with NZ researchers and students and shared experience and expertise to help NZ research in this research area.
- Gave a tutorial at GECCO (the top conference in the field) together with the PI of the Catalyst Leaders Fund, where many NZ researchers attended.

Fixed annual fee: NZ\$ 20,000.–

I do not charge GST.

Total amount due: NZ\$ 20,000.–

I kindly ask for a bank transfer to the following account:

Bank: UniCredit Bank Austria AG
Account holder: Günther Raidl
IBAN: AT50 1100 0134 4003 2400
BIC: BKAUATWW
Address: Rothschildplatz 1, 1020 Vienna, Austria

Thank you very much and best
regards,

A handwritten signature in green ink, appearing to read "John R. Hill". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Hill" clearly distinguishable.