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Dear Selection Committee,

I, the undersigned below:

Name

: Dr. Rahkman Ardi, M.Psych.

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Current Position

: Head of Department of Personality and Social Psychology

Faculty of Psychology Universitas Airlangga

Hereby stated that I give my recommendation to **Rizqy Amelia Zein, S.Psi., M.Sc.**, an assistant professor (*asisten ahli*) working at the Department of Personality and Social Psychology, Faculty of Psychology Universitas Airlangga to be a PhD student in your department.

I have known Rizqy Amelia Zein since 2007 when she was an undergraduate student and I acted as her academic advisor. She is currently my co-worker, working at the same department, where I am currently the department head. As an academic advisor and acting supervisor, I have noticed how she evolves as a learner. She persistently shows that she takes initiatives, is a bright and an independent learner. During her academic year as an undergraduate student, she had received a number of achievements, managed to graduate with *cum laude* award and continued her master degree to the University of Edinburgh afterwards.

She holds a permanent (tenured) teaching position in our institution, but our institution allows her to temporarily leave the position during the PhD training. In order to progress to the higher career stage, Amelia has to obtain a PhD degree. Our institution also has a policy that requires all junior staffs to pursue their PhD programme abroad since being equipped with international-trained staffs could benefit our university to gain international recognitions.

After finishing her master degree, she made an important contribution to the development and the rebranding process of INSAN Jurnal Psikologi dan Kesehatan Mental, a major journal in our faculty. Her scientific skills are proven to be beneficial to the development of our department. Her networking skills and ideas are terrific, especially on the issues of psychological research and quantitative approach in social psychology research. In this past two years, we asked her to lead three statistical workshops, where the attendees were coming from various institutions in Indonesia. She also managed to invite a number of international collaborators to deliver talks, public lectures, and to conduct joint-research projects in order to cultivate the academic atmosphere in our faculty.

Apart from research responsibility, she also has extensive teaching commitments and in sum, has managed to teach 23 courses. Her main teaching responsibilities are including quantitative research methods, statistics (both are at undergraduate and master level), social cognition, and philosophy of science course (both are at undergraduate level). She had been awarded as an excellent teacher after gaining the highest students' satisfaction rating for three years in a row (2016, 2017, and 2018). She is also committed to amplifying her teaching impact by recording her lectures and making it available to the public.



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Working as an academic in Indonesian university, all staffs are also responsible for *tridharma* pendidikan tinggi, which are involving teaching, conducting research, performing community service, and other administrative duties. Amelia has involved in numerous ad hoc committees, such as study programme accreditations, international and national conferences, and many others. Therefore, she also has an excellent organisation and administrative skill.

Among my other co-workers, Amelia has proven herself to be a great potential, not only in our institution, but also on national level. I believe that after finishing her PhD programme in her chosen university, she will be an asset, not only for our institution, but also for the development of psychological science in Indonesia. I also believe that she possesses determination and a skillset to conduct independent research.

If you have any further inquiries regarding my recommendation, please do not hesitate to reach me at rahkman.ardi@psikologi.unair.ac.id.

Surabaya, 20 November 2019

Dr. Rahkman Ardi, M.Psych NIP. 198203192006041001