# Letter of Support - Director of the department

Name:

Affiliation:

Position:

Name applicant:

Title of the project:

Dear Faculty of Impact, dear committee,

I hereby confirm the following four points:

1. that the applicant is embedded - or will be embedded - in the group and can use the research facilities during the Faculty of Impact programme, and that the fellow is exempted from standard university duties (e.g. teaching and publishing) when admitted to the Faculty of Impact;
2. that the applicant's appointment is - or will be - at least the amount of time to be spent as indicated in the application (with a minimum commitment of 0.8 FTE) and for at least the duration of the fellowship;
3. that the applicant is available in time - and (if applicable) that the applicant will finalise the PhD-, EngD- or Professionale Doctorate-programma or ongoing Postdoc-project in time - to follow the FoI Support Program (training/coaching component) in accordance with the time-line as indicated in the paragraph 4.2.9., ‘Start and duration of the FoI Support Program’
4. that I have read and agree with the obligations as described in paragraph 6.11. “The FoI Support programme (training- and coaching part), located at VU Amsterdam" of the call for proposals:

*For the applicants whose proposal has been awarded, the knowledge institution where the applicant is appointed, will contribute to costs of the Support programme ((training/coaching part) of the Faculty of Impact. This contribution is outside the scope of this Call for proposals.*

*The Faculty of Impact office (with VU University Amsterdam as coordinator) indicates that the costs of the Support programme are allocated annually per candidate (‘fellow’) and charged to the knowledge institutions that have one or more fellows in the programme. These costs fall outside the funding by NWO; the knowledge institutions of the fellows must bear these costs themselves.*

*The costs per fellow are determined to the actual annual costs of the program and the number of fellows following the program during this year. The costs per fellow are estimated around 20-25 keuro/year (i.e. 40-50 keuro for the 2-year program) .*

*After being awarded, the knowledge institutions will receive an invoice from VU University Amsterdam for 80% of the budgeted costs. The remaining 20% will be invoiced by VU University Amsterdam after the fellowship ends, based on the actual costs per fellow.*

*[Optional: words of recommendation/support for the* *applicant]*

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Signature of the director of the department

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Date & Place