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POLITEHNICA Bucharest

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Letter of Support

To: CESAER General Assembly

Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the National University of Science and Technology POLITEHNICA Bucharest, it is my great honor to express our full support for the candidacy of Professor Damien Fabrègue, Vice President for European and International Relations at INSA Lyon, for election to the CESAER Board of Directors.

Professor Damien Fabrègue brings extensive academic and leadership experience, having served 14 years as professor of metallurgy and head of student exchanges in the Materials Department at INSA Lyon, before being appointed Vice President in charge of European and International Relations six years ago. In this capacity, he has been an active member of several executive committees (Unitech, GE3, etc.) and has significantly contributed to international commissions both at local (Université de Lyon) and national (INSA Group) levels.

His leadership reflects a strong alignment with CESAER's values of inclusion, ethics, and the central role of science and technology in addressing societal challenges.

The National University of Science and Technology POLITEHNICA Bucharest has a long-standing cooperation with the INSA Group, and particularly with INSA Lyon, through joint research projects and a wide range of initiatives dedicated to students and researchers. This strong academic partnership further underlines our appreciation for the valuable contributions of Professor Damien Fabrègue and his institution to the European higher education and research community.

As Europe faces major global challenges, we are convinced that CESAER must continue to advocate for the highest standards of education, cutting-edge research, and innovation capacities within our universities. The experience, vision, and commitment position Professor Damien Fabrègue to contribute to this mission as a member of the CESAER Board of Directors.

For these reasons, I fully endorse his candidacy and express my strong confidence that his appointment will further strengthen CESAER's capacity to represent and support European universities of science and technology.

Yours sincerely,

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