

Letter of Commitment (on department's letterhead)

The undersigned _____
born in _____
on _____
as the Director of department _____
of the "G. d'Annunzio" University of Chieti-Pescara, hereby _____

declares her/his intention to host

Dr. _____
as Principal Investigator (PI), in case the following project entitled:

be retained for funding (project code _____ at the submission stage) from the programme:
SEARCH for EXCELLENCE UdA 2019, call (PIJ Project or PIS Project) _____,
funding body : UNIVERSITY OF CHIETI-PESCARA (Ud'A)

commits herself/himself

- a)** to assist the Principal Investigator to carry out her/his project, as defined in Annex 3, taking into consideration the specific role of the *principal investigator*;
- b)** to support the PI's scientific independence, in particular for the:
 - i) use of the budget to achieve the scientific objectives;
 - ii) authority to publish as senior author and invite as co-authors those who have contributed substantially to the work;
 - iii) preparation of scientific reports for the project;
 - iv) selection and supervision of the other *team members*, in line with the profiles needed to conduct the research and in accordance with the *applicant legal entity's* usual management practices;
 - v) possibility to apply independently for funding;
 - vi) access to appropriate space and facilities for conducting the research;
- c)** to provide — during the implementation of the project — research support to the *principal investigator* and the team members (regarding infrastructure, equipment, access rights, products and other services to carried out the research);
- d)** to provide the *principal investigator* with administrative assistance, in particular for the:
 - i) general management of the project and her/his team;
 - ii) scientific reporting, ensuring that the team members send their scientific results to the *principal investigator*;
 - iii) financial reporting, especially providing timely and clear financial information;
 - iv) application of the *applicant legal entity's* usual management practices;
 - v) logistics of the project;
 - vi) access to the electronic exchange system;
- e)** to take all measures to implement the principles set out in the EU Commission Recommendation on the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers - in particular regarding working conditions, transparent

recruitment processes based on merit, gender balance and career development - and ensure that the *principal investigator*, researchers and third parties involved in the project are aware of them.

Date _____

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Name _____

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E-mail and Signature _____