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UNICA a.i.s.b.l. Secretary General Ms Kris Dejonkheere C/O University Foundation Rue d'Egmont no 11 B-1000 Brussels, Belgium

Dear UNICA Secretary General,

Having learned about the call for the nominations to the UNICA Steering Committee elections I am pleased and honoured to recommend Professor Jolanta Choińska-Mika, the University of Warsaw Vice-Rector for Student Affairs and Quality of Teaching, as a candidate allowing to perfectly meet the requirements related not only to the current academic position and field of expertise but also gender and geographical balance between the different regions of Europe. She has already served one term on the UNICA Steering Committee and would use her experience to further advance the agenda of European higher education.

Professor Jolanta Choińska-Mika, is the Vice-Rector for Student Affairs and Quality of Teaching at the University of Warsaw since 1 September 2016. Prior to that (2005 – 2012) she was a Deputy Director for Student Affairs at the Institute of History of the UW. Since 2008 Professor Choińska-Mika has been part of the UW Senate Committee for Students, Doctoral Students and Quality of Teaching. Her research focuses on the old Polish political culture and the history of Great Britain.

As the Rector of the University of Warsaw, I am fully aware of Professor Choińska-Mika's professional experience, her wide-ranging expertise in higher education and her talents and qualifications. Therefore, I fully support the candidature of the Nominee to the UNICA Steering Committee. The support is also granted for the travel and time devoted for UNICA activities.

Her re-election to the Steering Committee would be of great benefit to UNICA and the University of Warsaw and allow Prof Choińska-Mika to build on her experience and continue to contribute to national and international educational policies at times of great socio-political changes and challenges in European higher education.

Sincerely, Maran Portys

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