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Letter of Intent

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On behalf of SHARE ERIC and the Munich Center for Economics and Ageing (MEA) of the Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy, I hereby express my solid support for the inclusion of Lithuania in SHARE.

The SHARE project is happy to foster international cooperation with the researchers from Vilnius University during the execution of the SHARE wave 7 pilot study in Lithuania.

This pilot study will secure international cooperation not only in the social sciences but also in biochemistry, health care organization, public health, medical research, geography, mathematics, statistics and other related disciplines.

SHARE is an innovative multidisciplinary infrastructure which provides unique opportunities to apply and advance new research methodologies. SHARE enables researchers better understanding the causal relationships between the main three domains of individual and population ageing– health, retirement and socio-economic condition. Due to its longitudinal character, SHARE enables researchers especially to understand how different health, economic and social policies impact on the way how individual ageing proceeds at the national level. SHARE permits the identification of the best policy practices across EU member states to pursue the main target of the coming decades – active and healthy ageing together with longer lives and more effective paths in contributing to increasing gross national output.

This Letter of Intent forms the framework for cooperation between the parties to identify and achieve the above-mentioned shared goals and objectives. This Letter of Intent is non-binding and does not impose any legal or financial obligations or liabilities on either parties.

Yours sincerely



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