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Subject: Support of the Portuguese PhD National Programme in Nanomaterials, Nanotechnologies and Nanosciences: **Nano@Nova** coordinated by: Universidade Nova de Lisboa and involving the following units: Faculty of Science and Technology, Instituto de Tecnologia Química e Biológica, ITQB and Faculty of Medicine

Dear President of FCT, Professor Miguel Seabra,

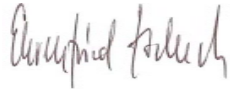
With this letter, I am fully supporting the Portuguese PhD National Programme in Nanomaterials, Nanotechnologies and Nanosciences "Nano@Nova" which has synergies with our research and education activities. It will be a great honour for me to act as a member of the external Advise Scientific Board. I am accepting this invitation and I am committed to allocate my expertise in the subject as well as to support with the internationalization matters associated.

The support that I am giving is based on the scientific knowledge and expertise of the institution I am representing. The key members of the programme will have my full support and trust, particularly the director, Prof. Rodrigo Martins, President of the European Materials Research Society (E-MRS), and the director of the programme, Prof. Elvira Fortunato, whom I know both as outstanding scientists. In addition, I would like to mention the involvement of this team in the area of nanotechnologies and flexible electronics and the strong willingness to collaborate in this field within a broader scientific and education structure that it is under preparation.

From the cooperation and based on the personnel involved I am convinced that the Portuguese and the German institutions, particularly in Dresden, a centre of materials science and engineering, will scientifically and educationally benefit.

I am looking forward to a close collaboration within the present programme.

Sincerely yours



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