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Letter of Support – Centre of Excellence Application – NordNatech

To whom it may concern,

We are writing to express Macquarie University's support for the application to the Centre of Excellence (SFF) scheme, led by Professor Nicola Paltrinieri, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), for the proposed Centre initiative NordNatech.

We recognise the scientific relevance and ambition of NordNatech, and strongly support the initiative. We value our ongoing relationship with NTNU through joint PhD supervision, research collaboration and funded Horizon project focusing on *“Multi-disciplinary risk management for stable, safe, and sustainable offshore wind-powered hydrogen production”* and see clear potential for mutually beneficial collaboration aligned with the Centre's thematic focus.

Should the proposal be invited to the next stage, we are open to continuing dialogue and identifying suitable avenues for interaction, including research collaboration, joint activities, knowledge exchange, or advisory contributions.

We wish NTNU success in this competitive process.

Yours sincerely,



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