

Letter of Support – Centre of Excellence Application – NordNatech

To whom it may concern,

We, *Institute for Disaster Management and Reconstruction*, are writing to express 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 recognize the scientific relevance and ambition of *NordNatech*, and strongly support the initiative. We value our ongoing relationship with NTNU through *collaborative efforts in disaster management — projects, research, and expertise exchange — have fostered innovation and strengthened our commitment to industrial resilience. This partnership enabled co-development of solutions like cross-border emergency response frameworks, and we are confident it will contribute to NordNatech's success by leveraging our strengths in risk reduction and resilience improvement.* 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, scholar visits or advisory contributions.*

We wish NTNU success in this competitive process.

Sincerely,

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