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Letter of support for H2020 STORIES project

**Subject: Interest of becoming a member of the *Working Group ­\_\_\_\_\_\_* in the STORIES project**

**H2020: LC-GD-9-1-2020**: European Research Infrastructures capacities and services to address European Green Deal challenges // Topic: Support Europe leadership in clean energy storage technologies

Dear STORIES consortium,

Mr.XXXXXXX hereby expresses her/his active support to the project ***‘STORIES-Storage Research Infrastructure Ecosystem’*** led by Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (*KIT)* under the H2020 Green Deal Call.

In December 2019, the European Commission has presented the “European Green Deal”, a set of policy initiatives aiming at ensuring the EU becomes climate neutral by 2050. These policy initiatives have strong implications for the energy sector, and for the energy storage sector in particular. To address these challenges, STORIES brings together a consortium of more than 30 beneficiaries from at least 15 countries: ESFRI facilities, technology institutes, universities and industrial partners to jointly improve the economic performance of storage technologies.

The main technological objectives of STORIES are linked to the energy storage development by providing access to world-class research infrastructures and services, with a focus on improving materials for devices and optimizing hybrid energy systems with a view to make energy technologies more competitive and reducing costs. In addition, STORIES focus on the analysis of socio-technical and environmental aspects of new developments and systems and provides training and education.

The project will bring a significant contribution towards Europe’s independence on fossil fuels, while opening industrial opportunities for disruptive technologies. The foreseen acceleration of materials developments and enhancing of hybrid storage technologies will lead to cost reduction of energy storage devices. Users will perform research to foster innovation in the long lasting structures of the European Energy Research Alliance (EERA) and the industry lead European Association for Storage of Energy (EASE). This supports strongly the entire energy value chain and is a necessasity to solidify the European leadership in renewable energy technologies.

With reference to this project, Mr. xxxxxxx as energy storage expert in the field of ----energy storage, will participate as a member of the project’s **Working Group \_\_\_\_** and contribute to the respective activities and tasks.

Yours sincerely,

**Signature**

**Name, position and organisation**