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Endorsement of Karel Luyben as President of EOSC Association

Science Europe herewith expresses its full support for the candidacy of Karel Luyben to be the first President of the EOSC Association.

As the current Chair of the EOSC Executive Board, Karel has significantly contributed to the development of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) that will be crucial for Open Science, research and innovation in the European Union and beyond. In this role, he has continuously demonstrated his suitability and commitment to help lead this important endeavour.

Karel's extensive background in research and innovation, and especially in open science, including at national, European and global levels, make him a very suitable candidate to support the further evolution of the EOSC. Notable examples of his expertise include his roles as National Coordinator for Open Science in the Netherlands, as Rector of Delft University of Technology, as President of the European Federation of Biotechnology, as President of CESAER and as Member of the European Commission's Open Science Policy Platform.

Given his extensive experience, combined with the trust he has built with the broader research community over many years Science Europe endorses his candidacy and gives him full support.

Sincerely,

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