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To whom it may concern:

IOE supports the candidacy of the Malta Employers' Association (MEA) in the Malta National Enterprise Support Awards with "The Maltese Business Story Initiative"

The Malta Employers' Association (MEA) is a longstanding and a highly-valued member of the International Organisation of Employers (IOE), which is the largest global network of the private sector, with more than 150 members around the world.

MEA has been extremely active in promoting enterprise and entrepreneurship at both international and European level. In discussions at the International Labour Organisation (ILO), and during the International Labour Conference, MEA has been highly engaged in the tripartite discussions on the promotion of sustainable enterprise and entrepreneurship. The ILO has a key role to play in supporting Member States in developing frameworks which enable businesses to be set up, to grow and to employ people. By engaging with the ILO, employers' organisations such as MEA support the creation of enabling environments for enterprise and entrepreneurship globally. The IOE is very grateful for MEA's substantive contribution to the Employers' activities in this regard.

Among these activities, the MEA is actively participating in the debates on the "Future of Work", where the global employers' is discussing opportunities, challenges and policy proposals to anticipate the changes in the world of work.

MEA has been and remains an important actor and thought leader in internal business discussions on creative approaches that best promote entrepreneurship and enabling environments for enterprises, not only in times of crisis but also in view of the future challenges. MEA's footprint informs many IOE publications and position papers in this regard.

Sincerely,

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Linda Kromjong
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