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*To Whom It May Concern,*

**Subject: Letter of Support – InnoBoosteR Project Participation**

We fully support the participation of Leader Kantri in the implementation of the **InnoBoosteR** project led by E40 Europe, under the Horizon Europe call Boosting sustainable competitiveness in rural areas through innovation, HORIZON-CL6-2026-02-COMMUNITIES-01, and in engaging City of Tampere as part of one of the project's Living Labs.

We recognise the importance of this initiative, demonstrating that small rural communities are themselves significant and largely untapped sources of innovation and competitiveness, and its primary scientific contribution, the development and empirical validation of a Local Innovation Ecosystem (LIE) Framework - supported by research organisations with strong knowledge on the local context, which it translates into a freely available Rural Competitiveness Toolkit in several languages.

This Letter of Collaboration is signed electronically.

Sincerely,  
**Irene Vekkele**  
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**City of Tampere**

