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#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Dr Stuckelberger has assisted WHO in the development of crucial areas of global health and social determinants of health (SDH) which support the operationalization of the Sustainable Development Goal (SDGs) commitment to “leave no one behind”.

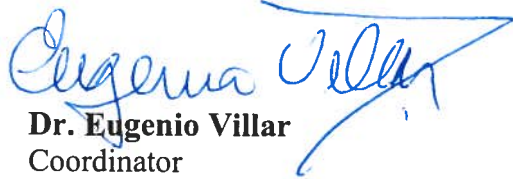
My experience working with her covered different levels. First, she played a crucial role bridging research with policy through enabling the collaboration of WHO with international researchers and governmental institutions on social determinants of health through a 4 year EU-funded research network (SDH-Net) working on “*Building Sustainable Research capacity for Health and its Social Determinants in Low- and Middle-Income Countries*”. She facilitated the collaboration and actions on the ground both in Geneva and in the regions. In May 2015, she co-organised with WHO an international event on SDH at the University of Geneva with great ease and success and further worked with our department on international projects to support a monitoring projects and coordinating platform on research on SDH.

She also has been invited as an expert teacher in global health to our *Health in All Policies (HiAP) Trainers’ course* for conducting trainings on improving skills in working across sectors using WHO Health in All Policies Training Manual both at the international level in Geneva in March 2015 and for the Latin American region in Rio de Janeiro in November 2016.

To note that she has also contributed substantially in the WHO INNOV8 Handbook and facilitator manual for reviewing national health programmes in an 8-step analytic multidisciplinary and intersectoral process aiming at improving programme performance to address health inequities and human rights, gender equality, universal health coverage and address social determinants of health.

I can only praise the personality and the scientific expertise of Dr Stuckelberger. Very at ease in the international world and considerate to everyone whatever their origin or approach, she brings the best out to make everyone work together and has always been ready to constructively collaborate to initiatives and projects with an open and generous approach. Her multidisciplinary and UN expertise is an asset for anyone working on international health thematic and brings exceptional expertise on social determinants of health with her grasp of human characteristics as well as emerging topics in the field like ageing, ethics or technology

For all the above reasons, I can only strongly recommend Dr Stuckelberger to any academic institutions or programme working on global health and SDH. Without doubt she will bring a unique multidisciplinary perspective and enrich the teaching to students and to institutions not only by her work on human rights, equity and social determinants of health but also by her knowledge of how it plays out in the UN institutions and global agenda. We will always welcome cooperating with her and look forward to our continuous collaboration.



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