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To Whom it May Concern

Recommendation of Basketball Leben

Laureus Sport for Good Foundation (<u>www.laureus.com</u>) started supporting Basketball Leben's work in Romania on the 1st January 2021. Our support is currently coming to an end of our first three year grant cycle, and we are exploring if there are ways for Laureus to continue our support to the organisation from 2024 onwards.

Laureus' support has consisted of funding and technical assistance to help strengthen the organisation and making it more sustainable and better at delivering and showing its impact in the lives of children and young people in Romania. The technical support has among other included the facilitation of a strong safeguarding policy, virtual training via Laureus SportsLAB: Learning Sessions, and Basketball Leben's participation is Laureus' Global Summit 2023, which focused on girls participation in sport and sport for development.

Our contacts in Basketball Leben have been the chief executive Sandy Lorenz and senior staff in Romania. They have all proven to be extremely engaged with all the technical support and learning opportunities provided, and as an organisation, it is my impression that they have grown in skills and depth and quality of impact over the period we have had the pleasure to work with them.

Furthermore, Basketball Leben has been fully compliant with all our grant making procedures throughout the entire grant cycle.

Therefore, I can only warmly recommend Basketball Leben as a partner to deliver inclusion and education focused sport for development activities. And should you wish any further information, I will be at your disposition.

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