

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

14th March 2024

Reference for Basketball Leben e.V.

Ladies & Gentlemen,

I am pleased to provide this reference for German-based Basketball Leben, one of our project partners, using the sport of basketball for the benefit of the Bögöz community project in Hargita, Romania.

We have been knowing Basketball Leben since 2020 and are supporting the association in their mission to promote integration and to develop social and personal skills through sport, education, and art & culture. We have recently renewed our commitment to enable the organisation to expand the existing project and to provide a variety of positive changes within the relevant communities.

Impact-wise we focus to enrich the lives of Szekler minority children and youth with the main outcomes to enlarge access to sports, to expand the number of children that get the opportunity to explore new activities and skills and identify talent and passion, to strengthen the cultural identity of the youth, to increase diversity among the participants of activities to grant equal opportunities to the people of the Szekler community or to increase acceptance and tolerance.

Our support consists of funding as well as technical assistance if required, with focus sustainability. Our contacts at Basketball Leben are Sandy Lorenz, the chief executive, and senior staff in Romania, an extremely engaged team. Basketball Leben has been fully compliant with all our internal grant making processes.

Our monitoring and evaluation processes have shown that – for us – Basketball Leben is a worthy and capable partner who creates impact and makes a positive difference in the lives of their beneficiaries. The continued support shows that we appreciate the dedication, professionalism, and passion for their mission.

The SOL Foundation is a charitable foundation based in the Principality of Liechtenstein and we believe that **S**port forms the foundation to create real and sustainable **O**pportunities to enhance **L**ives meaningfully.

Please feel free to contact us for any additional information to this reference and at the same time recommendation. Thank you.

Kind regards,

Axel Bernhardt

C.E.O. & Foundation Board Member