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LETTER OF CONFIRMATION

Indeed Mr. Mukaev Seitzhan, was National Research Partner Lead Individual, involved for the implementation «Kazakhstan Country Report» according the methodology outlined in the Terms of the Reference of the Atlas project.

This country report analyses the state of science, technology and innovation (STI) in the Republic of Kazakhstan and provides an assessment of how effectively the existing national innovation system (NIS) develops and supports the country's innovative capabilities. Getting its independence in 1991, Kazakhstan is a former Soviet Union Republic with rich natural resources. Although the Soviet Union era has left Kazakhstan with a powerful scientific heritage in basic sciences, the long period under the Soviet central planned economy with dominance of state owned companies slowed the efforts of the country to become an innovative society.

The country report makes use of the outcome of three in-country fieldworks visits that took place in June 2011, February 2012 and May 2012. During these visits, the research team made interviews with high level policy makers, attended conferences, collected data and conducted questionnaire with the participation of more than 100 scientists, experts and business leaders.

Yours sincerely,



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