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Dear Commissioners,

Pease allow us to approach you on the important topic on behalf of ECIPES27, supported by us, in the name of the citizens represented in the European Parliament. You are the defender of the European values and EU countries and citizens' voice, so we strongly believe in your involvement in adapting, implementing and supporting the online platform ECIPES27; we strongly believe this is the case, given that **exceptional situations require exceptional actions**.

Hereby, please allow us to send you our respectful request to sustain ECIPES27 Concept, through this support letter.

In a nutshell, we are presenting you the essential information on ECIPES27: IDEP Moldova collaborated with us on the development of a unique program possible to be implemented directly by the European Commission for the EU Citizens/Mayors/Youth. ECIPES27 is a concrete proposal to develop and implement a pilot programme, for providing direct support from the Commission in the interest of the EU citizens, mayors, youth, for three types of specific eco-projects, directly by using e-signature.

By ECIPES27 model, it is possible to help directly EU citizens, municipalities and the young generation, by spreading European Green Deal at the individual level. The EPICES27 is proposed to be carried out on an online platform, contributing to the elements of the digital and ecological transition, promoted individually.

This is could become an important EU tool for funding the consequences of the current crisis, being in line with the concepts of digitalization and greening the EU economy. ECIPES27 being designed for direct implementation by EC in the benefit of up to: 17% of the citizens of the EU, 50% of the municipalities and 1 Million young people, future entrepreneurs. We believe that our supportive citizens, mayors and young people deserve the ECIPES program, being a direct contact point between the European Commission(EC), central authorities in member states, and the civil society and entrepreneurs (through IFI's).

The program helps increasing citizens' satisfaction and perception on the EU, reducing administrative costs to 3-5% for Monitoring and Evaluation, making possible to help more beneficiaries with less resources, Bringing European support in the citizens' house, in the citizen's business and in their localities, will be a concrete instrument as is the aim of the <u>New Bauhaus Initiative</u>.

ECIPES27 concept could become the necessary trigger for the European Green Deal to be applied by the EU citizens! Encouraging population to <u>use modern home appliances</u>, the cost <u>of energy consumption will decrease for each beneficiary, making savings monthly</u>, resulting in a better understanding of the benefits for eco practices. Moreover, modernizing the electronic devices should include only EU products, helping to strengthen the strategic independence of EU industries, invigorating consumption, preserving and creating new jobs, thus becoming an important element of the Circular Economy at the level of the EU.

And as a final argument on the importance of ECIPES27 implementation, we would like to remind that recently, <u>Commissioner Hahn announced</u> European Commission's optimization of spaces by closing half of its buildings before 2030, as telework is the 'new norm'. In these circumstances, new support programs via electronic signature is the next necessary step for processes' optimization within EU!

As an important argument for the ECIPES approach, find bellow two supportive perspectives presented by notorious EU personalities: Federal Chancellor Dr. Angela Merkel: "<u>Discussing</u>, debating, intellectual exchange is important, but the pandemic also showed very clearly that now is time for action" and the EPP Group Chair, Mr. Manfred Weber: "<u>We have to make the people to be the owner of the European development</u>".

EU should mean innovation, in order to become stronger, more cohesive and closer to citizens! We are confidents that the innovative elements of the ECIPES27 can become an EU flagship initiative for Cohesion within all 27 EU countries, being developed during 23 months. This could become the first European Citizens' Initiative creating cohesion between some key actors: citizens - public administration - government – youth.

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