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**Letter of Support** 

To the project proposal "High-resolution Quantification of Biodiversity for Conservation and Management" (HiQBioDiv)

The Environmental Advisory Council (Vides konsultatīvā padome, VKP) is committed to promoting public participation in environmental policy development and implementation. Our council includes professional organizations from nature conservation and environmental management fields. We support the project proposal "High-resolution Quantification of Biodiversity for Conservation and Management" (HiQBioDiv) submitted to the National Research Programme.

We endorse this project led by the University of Latvia and its partners. It aligns with our goals of fostering cooperation and information sharing among individuals, society, governmental institutions, and municipalities. The project will greatly improve our ability to balance environmental, social, and economic interests in decision-making by providing detailed biodiversity data.

The data, procedures, and models developed through this project will contribute significantly to nature conservation in Latvia. By providing scientifically grounded data and methods for analysis, it will offer essential biodiversity information necessary for environmental impact assessments and economic development, reducing uncertainties from incomplete data.

We believe this project will enhance transparency in decision-making and increase public support for nature conservation initiatives. The Environmental Advisory Council is committed to supporting its successful implementation and looks forward to using its results to advance biodiversity conservation in Latvia.

We anticipate the project's success and the positive impact it will have on our country's environmental policies and conservation efforts.

Sincerely,

Juris Jātnieks Chairman of the Environmental Advisory Council

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