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To whom it may concern,

## **Re: Recommendation for Niklas Forsström**

It gives me great pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for the skilful, talented, and dedicated Niklas Forsström. Why? Because Niklas is an exceptional colleague to work with.

Niklas has been working with us at YUN (Young United Nations) for four months (January – April 2021) providing technical expertise developing <u>UNicoins</u>, a skill sharing blockchain token that enables the United Nations to exchange staff expertise across multiple agencies. YUN is a network of more than 2000 UN changemakers working across the UN system in 80+ countries.

Niklas co-authored the UNicoins white paper specialising in modelling a range of management options for how UNicoins could be piloted. In particular, Niklas showed outstanding skill in leading discussion by posing design questions which opened the minds of the entire team to innovations resulting in highly collaborative and creative team work.

Niklas's leadership and modelling expertise focused minds to pick two modelling options which are now being piloted in several United Nations agencies.

What is outstanding is that Niklas has managed to have a profound influence in an innovation that could save the United Nations vast amounts of money and time. This achievement is made all the more remarkable when one takes into consideration that Niklas has been a volunteer with us at YUN giving his free time each Saturday morning for four months to work on this project with the team and writing up his contributions to the paper in his own time whilst holding down a full-time post.

Niklas is precise, punctual at all times, he is polite, courteous and affable. These are all great qualities which make Niklas a great team player, but Niklas is far more than a hard worker or a reliable colleague, Niklas has a brilliant mind for tackling complex problems which makes him a great asset to any organisation.

Yours sincerely,

Eleonora Gatti

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