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199 Abba Khoushy Ave Haifa, Israel

Dear Rector Gur Alroey,

Congratulations! By vote of the Executive Committee, we are thrilled to welcome the University of Haifa into the Age-Friendly Global Network! On behalf of the network and its members, we congratulate and welcome your institution to our esteemed community dedicated to fostering age-friendly environments worldwide.

Your institution's membership has been approved for a five-year cycle ending December 2029. Your Age-Friendly University Champion will receive information regarding the renewal process in year four.

The Age-Friendly Global Network serves as a collective platform for institutes of higher education committed to creating inclusive and supportive environments across the lifespan. Your institution's demonstrated commitment to this cause and its ongoing efforts to promote age-friendly policies, research, services, and initiatives are to be lauded. The AFU principles provide a valuable guiding framework for distinguishing and evaluating how your institution can shape age-friendly programs and practices and identify gaps and opportunities for growth. We look forward to seeing how you advance these efforts over the coming years.

We are thrilled to embark on this journey together and look forward to a fruitful and collaborative relationship. Together, we can significantly impact older adults' lives and create societies where everyone can age with dignity, respect, and fulfillment.

We also note our congratulations as the first Israeli Institution to join the network – and look forward to working with you to expand our outreach in this area.

Attached to this letter is a packet of additional information and next steps. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Global Secretariat at Secretariat@AFUGN.org.

Once again, congratulations on being accepted into the Age-Friendly Global Network, and we eagerly await your active participation.

In health,

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