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Subject: Declaration of Commitment to the principles of the European Commission's Recommendation "The European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers" by the University of Patras

The University of Patras welcomes the initiative of the European Commission reflected in the Commission's Recommendation of March 11<sup>th</sup> 2005, referring to the "European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers".

We are pleased to inform you that during its No 457 Assembly that took place on 9th February 2011, the Senate of the University of Patras adopted the general principles and requirements laid out in the Commission's Recommendation of 11<sup>th</sup> March 2005 "The European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers".

The endorsement of the Charter & Code Principles by the University of Patras, will contribute not only to the implementation of an attractive research environment, enhancing the quality of research and innovation within the University, but will also aim at realizing an open and attractive European Research Area.

The Rector

Professor George Panayiotakis

Sincerely Yours,

The Vice Rector for Strategic Research Planning and Development

**Professor Dimitrios Kalpaxis**