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The Steering Committee of the MENA Transition Fund
The World Bank
1818H Street Washington DC, 20433
USA

Subject: Education For Employment (e4e) Project for Yemen

Dear Steering Committee,

The Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) is honored to submit this letter endorsing the proposal of the Republic of Yemen for the "Education For Employment (e4e) Project". This endorsement was the result of extensive joint discussions and preparatory arrangements with the Ministry of Planning & International Cooperation, Ministry of Technical Education and Vocational Training, and Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs in the Republic of Yemen and the International Finance Corporation (IFC).

The project proposal, prepared as per IsDB’s procedures, is built upon the specific objectives of the Transitional Programme for Stabilisation and Development (TPSD) 2012 - 2014, which aims at producing qualified workforce with relevant skills to meet the demand of the economy of Yemen through Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET). The proposed project conforms to the recent orientation of the TVET pillar in the new Education Sector Vision of the Government of Yemen (GOY), and is also in line with the National Youth Employment Action Plan 2014/2016.

The proposal also conforms with the IsDB priorities in the country which focus on skills development and youth employment. In fact, the project complements the recent IDB and GOY engagements including Youth Employment Support Programme and Vocational Literacy Program for Poverty Reduction (VOLIP). The IsDB, will act, together with the IFC, as designated Implementation Support Agencies for this project, according to the terms of the project proposal.

I am therefore reiterating IsDB’s endorsement and commitment to act as an Implementation Support Agency (ISA) for the subject project.

Sincerely Yours,

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