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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with pleasure that I am able to attest to the international standing and reputation of one of the world's foremost thinkers and practitioners in the field of systems science. **Prof. Ockie Bosch** is among the vanguard of those taking systems approaches to real-world issues of sustainability and development. His work on complex, entangled and what are known in the field as "wicked problems" at local, regional and national scales has led to the innovation of intercultural tools for systems transformation. These tools include the use of CLM (Causal Loop Modelling), Bayesian Belief Network Modelling, and Evolutionary Systems Design approaches that empower self-directed sustainable development at all three scales. Indeed, few people in the systems sciences are in such demand these days as is Prof. Bosch, and he is a frequent guest lecturer at a variety prestigious scholarly venues around the world. I have had the pleasure of working with him on numerous occasions in settings ranging from the von Bertalanffy Center for the Study of Systems Science (BCSSS) to the European Meetings of Cybernetics and Systems Research (EMCSR) to the International Federation for Systems Research (IFSR) to the organization of which I have the honor and duty to serve as President, the International Society for the Systems Sciences (ISSS). On each and every occasion, Prof. Bosch has played a leadership role and won great support and interest for the contributions he is actively making to the enterprise of applied systems inquiry.

Please don't hesitate to call on me for any further information or clarification with regard to the professional achievement and international standing of Prof. Ockie Bosch.

Sincerely,

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