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African Evaluation Association (AfrEA)
36 Kofi Annan Avenue,
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Re: Recommendation for Mr. Djax Biria for the AfrEA Regional Representative for Eastern Africa

Dear Tsigereda Bekele,

The Tanzania Evaluation Association (TanEA) is delighted to extend its wholehearted endorsement of Mr. Djax Biria for the position of AfrEA Regional Representative for Eastern Africa. Mr. Biria's distinguished tenure in the evaluation domain, coupled with his instrumental role in fortifying Tanzania's evaluation community and his exemplary leadership qualities, distinctly qualifies him for this esteemed role.

As the Executive Secretary of TanEA, Mr. Biria demonstrated unparalleled leadership, securing pivotal funding from international bodies such as UNICEF and UNDP. These funds were critical in launching initiatives like the comprehensive mapping of monitoring and evaluation (M&E) in Tanzania and the formulation of national evaluation guidelines. His advocacy led to the significant achievement of establishing M&E desks within government ministries, showcasing his prowess in promoting evaluation policies at the highest levels.

Mr. Biria's foundational contribution to TanEA and his active collaboration with regional evaluation societies in Uganda and Kenya exemplify his commitment to nurturing a robust evaluation network across Eastern Africa. His efforts in organizing Tanzania's first Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL) Week, and his roles as a panelist and rapporteur at these events, underline his technical acumen and dedication to the field's advancement.

Moreover, Mr. Biria's consultancy endeavors across Zambia, Finland, Kenya, and Uganda have enriched him with a global perspective, enhancing his regional expertise. This blend of local and international experience equips Mr. Biria with a unique insight into the evaluation sector's challenges and opportunities, making him an exemplary candidate for contributing to AfrEA's mission.

TanEA is confident that Mr. Biria's deep-rooted understanding of evaluation practices, his proven track record in leading successful evaluation initiatives, and his extensive network across the region will serve as invaluable assets to AfrEA's efforts in Eastern Africa. We strongly support his candidacy and believe that his leadership will significantly contribute to advancing the evaluation community within the region and beyond.

Sincerely,

Kapongola Nganyanyuka

Chief Association Executive
Tanzania Evaluation Association (TanEA)