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Dr. Fadi Asrawi Dean Haigazian University P.O. Box 11-1748, Raid, Raid el Solh 11072090 Beirut, Lebanon

Dear Dr. Asrawi:

At its December 2022 meeting, the IACBE Board of Commissioners considered the Candidate for Accreditation application of the Faculty of Business Administration and Economics at Haigazian University. I am pleased to report that the Board of Commissioners approved your application and granted the status of Candidate for Accreditation effective 12/7/2022 through 12/31/2027.

Please note that candidacy status may not exceed five years. However, under extenuating circumstances and upon written petition, an extension may be approved by the Board of Commissioners. Under no circumstance is there any guarantee that the business programs in Candidacy status will be accredited. This determination is made by the IACBE Board of Commissioners after completion of all required steps toward First-Time accreditation of your business programs.

Following is the recommended timeline to remain on track for the next steps toward accreditation of your business programs and consideration at the December 2023 Board of Commissioners meeting:

Required Attendance at an Accreditation Institute:

has been satisfied *if the institution proceeds in the following timeline*; otherwise, attendance at a more recent session will be required.

Self-Study year: 2022-23

Site Visit no later than: September 1, 2023

<u>Draft Self-Study due</u>: 120 days prior to start date of the site visit

<u>Final Self-Study due</u>: 60 days prior to start date of the site visit

<u>Review by the board of Commissioners</u>: December 2023 meeting

The Board of Commissioners identified the following areas that need to be addressed by the institution and evidenced in the Self-Study submission.

1. The Board of Commissioners included the following item(s) for you to address in your Outcomes Assessment Plan:

- a. Ensure that the Student Exit Survey questions have one question for each of the ISLOs in the Outcomes Assessment Plan that it measures.
- b. Add an item to the case study rubric that explicitly aligns with the communication outcome ISLO in the Outcomes Assessment Plan.
- c. Include identification of which assessment criteria in the Thesis Rubric for the MBA programs is used for each ISLO that it is intended to measure.

A Candidate for Accreditation is not allowed to claim or imply accreditation by the IACBE. If a Candidate for Accreditation is found to claim or imply accreditation, the matter will be referred to the Board of Commissioners for action. The following language must be used on the Faculty of Business Administration and Economics homepage, where "status page" is a hyperlink to your IACBE status page at https://iacbe.org/memberpdf/HaigazianUniversity.pdf

"The Faculty of Business Administration and Economics of Haigazian University has been awarded the status of Candidate for Accreditation by the International Accreditation Council for Business Education for business and accounting programs only. Locations and delivery modes for program offerings are at the sole discretion of the Member. For a listing of the degrees eligible for accreditation, please view our IACBE member status page.

Following is the approved language for other official written publications when referencing your IACBE accreditation status:

The Faculty of Business Administration and Economics at Haigazian University has been awarded the status of Candidate for Accreditation by the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) located at 11960 Quivira Road in Overland Park, Kansas, USA. In granting candidacy status, the IACBE has determined that the institution may seek IACBE specialized accreditation of its eligible business programs. The IACBE grants accreditation for business and accounting programs only. Locations and delivery modes for program offerings are at the sole discretion of the Member.

All necessary materials and instructions for the preparation of your self-study are available on the IACBE website. Please contact the IACBE headquarters office to determine a timeframe for the submission of your self-study and for your site visit.

Congratulations on taking this next step toward specialized accreditation. If you have any questions or if we can be of assistance, please feel free to contact your liaison Dr. Patrick Hafford at phafford@iacbe.org, or 913-631-3009. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Scott Schroeder, Chair Board of Commissioners

C: Paul Haidostian, President