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Dear Dean Franch:

It is my pleasure to inform you that the peer review team recommendation to extend accreditation for the degree programs in business offered by ESADE is concurred with by the Continuous Improvement Review Committee (CIRC) and ratified by the Board of Directors. Congratulations to you, the faculty, the students, the staff, and all supporters of ESADE.

ESADE has achieved accreditation for five additional years. The next on-site continuous improvement review occurs in the fifth year, 2025-2026. A timeline specific to the school's visit year is available here.

One purpose of peer review is to recognize initiatives that support an environment of continuous improvement of quality programs. As noted in the team report, ESADE is to be commended on the best practices found on Attachment A.

The school should begin to address the concerns identified by the peer review team and CIRC. As part of the next Continuous Improvement Review Application, due July 1, 2023, the school is asked to update the CIRC on the progress made in addressing the concerns listed on Attachment B.

Please refer to the **Continuous Improvement Review Handbook** for the most current information regarding the processes for continuous improvement reviews. The handbook is evolving and will be updated frequently to provide the latest revisions to the CIR process.

Again, congratulations from the Accreditation Council and AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. Thank you for participating in the continuous improvement review process and for providing valuable feedback that is essential to a meaningful and beneficial review.

Sincerely,

Linda U. Hadley, Chair **Board of Directors**

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