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Dear Member, dear Friend

Some of our colleagues, European members of the academic world, have taken the initiative of sending an Open Letter to the European Commission (open letter here attached) claiming for a larger recognition of the role Social Economy can play in the development of Europe. This letter is headed by Carlo Borzaga, Professor of Economic Policy at the University of Trento (Italy). He contacted us to solicit CIRIEC's support to the open letter, notably the European members of its scientific network and its European national sections.

We think that this initiative is very opportune and pertinent and we therefore ask for your support. If you are a scientist and you agree with the contents of the attached open letter, we invite you to send at [ciriec@uv.es](mailto:ciriec@uv.es) your professional data before July 25 (name, department, university or research center). Please feel free to distribute this message. Thanks!

Yours Cordially

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