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Prof. Gabriele Centi President of the International Association of Catalysis Societies Present

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Mexican Catalysis Academy (ACAT) to formally request individual membership in the International Association of Catalysis Societies (IACS). We believe that since our association was founded in 1988, it has reached a level of maturity that warrants membership in the prestigious international catalysis community. ACAT is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting research, education, and technological development in catalysis in Mexico. ACAT is currently organized in eight regions, including the National Student's Region and the Zeolites and Mesoporous Materials Region, which was recently created. Our membership consists of approximately 100 professional members and 180 student members. Our professional members elect a board of directors every two years at the Mexican Congress. Also, ACAT has been a member of the North American Catalytic Society (NACS) since 1992 and is also a member of the Ibero-American Federation of Catalytic Societies (FISOCAT).

Over the years, ACAT has organized numerous conferences and workshops, including the biennial Catalyst Conference, the Ibero-American Catalyst Conference, and the North American Catalyst Conference. In addition, our members have contributed to various special publications and conference papers. Our association has actively participated in the International Catalysis Conference (ICC) in Granada (2000), Paris (2004), Seoul (2008), Munich (2012), and Beijing (2016). We were prepared to present this application since the ICC that was to be held in San Diego. Nevertheless, the pandemic conditions prevented it from being carried out.

In view of the maturity that we have achieved and our contributions in the field of catalysts, we humbly submit our nomination for individual membership in the International Association of Catalyst Societies. We hope you will consider our request positively. We provide you with the history of our society in an attached file.

Thank you for your time and support.

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