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Dear Tobias,

Re: German Center for Child and Youth Health (CHILDhealth)

I am writing to confirm my intention to collaborate with you in your proposed German Center for Child and Youth Health, CHILDhealth. I am very excited about the opportunities for extending our existing collaboration in the context of the proposed CHILDhealth research platforms and the impressive translational research agenda focusing on early transdiagnostic risks (preterm birth, childhood adversity), brain development, and neurodevelopmental and their interplay with somatic disorders. These platforms will help to bridge the gap between somatic and mental health trajectories by identification and targeting common developmental mechanisms. The research concepts to overcome translational and interdisciplinary research gaps.

I highly appreciate to collaborate with you on the interplay between somatic and mental conditions the pharmacovigilance platform that directly addresses my area of expertise. Our long-standing collaboration on improving the safety, evidence-base and effectiveness of pharmacological interventions in children and adolescents includes our joint work within Eunethydis, on the EU-funded ADDUCE project, the EU consortium Connect for Children (C4C), the ECNP psychopharmacology group and numerous publications. Our recent joined project Diamond-A (DIAbetes in Mother and Off-spring with ADHD) funded by the Hong Kong Government directly addresses the interplay between somatic and mental health and results will surely be informative for your Center.

I will be able to help your network as needed to facilitate the goals of your Center in their effort to implement pharmacological expertise and pharmacovigilance as integral parts of the new German Center of Child and Youth Health.

Best wishes

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