

Ljubljana, 25 February 2019

Professor Lászlo Lovász President Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Dear Professor Lovász,

The Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts is concerned for the future of academic freedom in Hungary due to Hungarian government's interference with the freedom of scientific research and the financial stability of Hungary's most significant research institution.

The Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts supports the resolution adopted by the Presidium of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences on 12 February 2019 that the Hungarian government should make available the basic state funding, which is due by law, to the Academy. We agree with the continued need for thorough negotiations and consultation concerning the future structure of the research institutions within the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

We believe that an autonomous status of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences is essential for the stability and prosperity of the research and development in Hungary.

With best wishes we remain

Yours sincerely,

Professor Tadej Bajd

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