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Dear members of the SKO committee –

I write with pleasure to support the application of Dr. Sibe Doosje for his *senior kwalificatieonderwijs*.

I first met Dr. Doosje in 2010 when he kindly agreed to provide a guest lecture for a course that I was teaching at University College Utrecht, Utrecht University's international, English language liberal arts bachelor program. In the three years that I taught that particular course, Dr. Doosje returned each semester to make a unique and valuable contribution in an area of his research expertise, the psychology of humor. It would, of course, been possible for him to do what many other guest lecturers choose to do, and to provide the same lecture each time he visited, but he made a point instead of using each visit to present new material and to experiment with innovations in his teaching practice. To me, these efforts reflected his commitment not only to stimulating my students but also to his own development as a teaching professional.

Dr. Doosje is not only a capable teacher. He is a engaged colleague who generously shares his experience and expertise with others, via both formal and informal channels within the university and beyond. His involvement in education related activities outside the classroom have built upon his achievements as a teacher and have added to his practical experience and skills in educational leadership. I have encountered him as an active member of the CEUT alumni network, a regular participant in the UU onderwijsparade and a workshop leader for workshops offered through the TAUU.

Dr. Doosje's education-related activities clearly go well beyond those of a dedicated teacher of students. He also strives to make a contribution to helping improve the teaching of others, attesting to his qualities as a senior teacher. I urge you to recognize this contribution by awarding him his *senior kwalificatieonderwijs*.

Sincerely,

Jocelyn Ballantyne, Ph.D.