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Center Evaluation

Dear Prof. Franco.

the Global Studies Center, an innovative and interdisciplinary unit, has been rightly praised for its pioneering nature, active engagement, and substantial output. The panel commends its evident commitment to internationalization.

However, the panel's report falls short in several areas. It contains inconsistencies, oversights, and lapses that led to an unfair classification. Notably, the strengths of being an interdisciplinary center were not adequately considered. This oversight undermines the panel's recommendation for programmatic support.

Yours sincerely

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