



Proba Samfunnsanalyse AS
Att: Project lead, Evaluation of Nye Metoder, Dr. Jens Plahte
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Dear Dr. Plahte,

Representing a wide breadth of industries in their pursuit to promote international trade and strengthen the transatlantic relationship, we at AmCham have witnessed the spanning impact of the Nye Metoder system. We are pleased to see progress in its evaluation and will follow the process closely in the months to come. We respectfully submit this letter after the recent publication of the reference group for this critical process.

Background

Nye Metoder is a key instrument for introducing innovations to the public healthcare system. As such, its impact is felt broadly and acutely throughout society. From clinicians' treatment decisions and companies' allocation of resources, to structuring of foreign trade agreements, it is a vital representation of Norway's procurement and implementation systems. When the system is now evaluated, it is important to secure transparency, engagement and feedback from all relevant parties.

As you are well aware, the Norwegian Parliament asked the Government to initiate an evaluation of the Norwegian market access system Nye Metoder. In line with the signals from Parliament, the Ministry of Health chose an external party to carry out the evaluation, emphasizing transparency and openness to feedback from all parties throughout the entire process.

Reference Group Participants

Though we appreciate Proba's work thus far, we are concerned that the currently proposed reference group is not representative of the actors that the system for Nye Metoder impacts. As the current list of fourteen experts consists of a disproportionate number of public sector representatives, we firmly believe that broader representation for those representing private industry and trade is in order.

In line with Proba's mandate, we would greatly appreciate a meeting with you in the near future. Kindly advise and thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

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