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## MEDIA RELEASE

### guard.me's Nicoletta Pinto a Winner at WIE Awards in Berlin

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MARKHAM, ONTARIO – guard.me International Insurance is pleased to announce that Nicoletta Pinto, EU Account Manager, has won the prestigious Rising Star of the Year Award for 2018 at the Lead 50/50 Women in International Education (WIE) Awards held on November 3rd, 2018 in Berlin, Germany.

The event, now in its second year, brings together education professionals from across the world to celebrate the work being done to advance gender equality and raise the profile of women in the field. The WIE awards recognize the achievement of some of the most successful and innovative women in international education.

“We are both thrilled and proud that Nicoletta has been recognized for her hard work and determination to make a positive impact in international education” said Maryann Brown, Chief Operating Officer of **guard.me**. “Nicoletta is a leader who has worked tirelessly in the field for over ten years in Europe, Asia, North and Latin America. Working at a language school, she became familiar with the needs of schools and agencies and particularly those of students and their families. At **guard.me** she plays a pivotal role in ensuring the security of students travelling abroad and we are very fortunate to have her as an integral part of our business development team”.

“At guard.me our priority is to bring compassion and innovation to every solution we deliver to the world of international education” continued Brown. “We don’t take that lightly and Nicoletta and the rest of the team at **guard.me** strive to deliver real solutions for our clients every day.”

Currently celebrating its 20th anniversary, **guard.me** has built a reputation for delivering industry-leading expertise and innovation while paying special attention to ensure culturally sensitive responses to students in need when they are far from home.

#### ABOUT LEAD 50/50

Lead 50/50 is a global professional network with a mission to raise the profile of women in the international education industry and facilitate them into positions of leadership.

#### ABOUT guard.me INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE

Founded in 1998, **guard.me** is an award-winning provider of international student health insurance. With a mandate to deliver innovation when it matters and compassion where it counts, guard.me is well recognized for consistently providing the innovative solutions expected by its partner schools. With offices strategically located worldwide, guard.me delivers superior service while dealing with individual student health issues with the sensitivity and respect they deserve.



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