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FuturICT 2.0
FLAG-ERA Joint Transnational Call 2016
Letter of Support

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to confirm that the ICT4 Foundation) expresses strong support for the FuturICT 2.0 project, which is being coordinated by the National Research Council of Italy with the participation of outstanding EU institutions and ETH Zurich in Switzerland.

The ICT4Peace Foundation is a policy and action-oriented international Foundation. Our purpose is to save lives and protect human dignity through Information and Communications Technology. We promote cybersecurity and a peaceful cyberspace through international negotiations with governments, companies and non-state actors. We also explore and champion the use of ICTs and media for crisis management, humanitarian aid and peacebuilding.

The grand challenges that the FuturICT 2.0 project will demand of the ICT and peacebuilding actors will encourage tremendous collaborative innovation. At the same time, the Foundation's interest is in ensuring that the fundamental rights of all those who are part of these complex systems, at every stage of the project – from concept and ideation to execution and post-action review – are protected. Furthermore, we believe that through FuturICT 2.0, investigations around how complex systems should at a systemic level embrace basic human rights are useful to advance the field of ICTs and peacebuilding.

The ICT4Peace Foundation has well proven innovation capability to interrogate complex ideas, strategically network with global players like the UN and the EU and also be a trusted, independent voice giving expert and strategic input around project design, execution and review.

The ICT4Peace Foundation is very supportive of the FuturICT 2.0 project and is looking forward to further collaboration, if the project is successfully funded.



Yours sincerely,

Daniel Stauffacher

President