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To Whom It May Concern:

As professor at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty for Computer and Information Science and Head of the Laboratory for Integration of Information Systems, I would like to express my great support and interest in the FuturICT flagship initiative.

I am very thrilled by the FuturICT agenda which is tackling some of the most topical issues of our world and what is more the FuturICT project is doing that in most comprehensive way and from the most challenging perspectives. FuturICT will use our information knowledge to better understand society which is one of the one of the most elementary understanding which we should have in order to guide our society most appropriately in the long term. Precisely the information knowledge is the field where our research institution is the strongest. Research in our laboratory is based on cloud computing, service oriented architectures and integration of information systems. We are involved in many projects covering fields of semantics, cloud assisted services and communication platforms. I believe that our expertise in integration and interoperability of information systems, architecture and platforms with related services is the foundation on which we should develop our future research and tie it with the FuturICT and the Living Earth Platform.

I believe that our work and research activity is very accordant with the FuturICT proposal what motive us in being connected with this interesting, complex and ambitious initiative. For the conclusion I am expressing my full support and interest in the FuturICT and I believe that that our commitment would be best expressed through the project itself.

Sincerely,



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