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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

## Flagship FuturlCT

The FuturICT project is an ambitious, cross-cutting, inter-disciplinary project embracing important research topics relevant to research conducted at UBw Munich.

A considerable amount of scientists with relevant expertise and experience for these research topics belong to my organization. Complementary initiatives in Operations Research and Management Science science will have synergetic effects on specific application domains of the proposed research program.

There exists an intense research activity on the dynamics of complex systems building Operations Research models to be most relevant to economics and decision sciences, strategic planning and sociology.

This proposal combines major activities of Prof. Dr. Stefan Pickl and his research group COMTESSA as well as the department of Computer Science. Amongst others he takes part in the international programs "RAHS: Risk Assessment Horizon Scanning", "IAMC: Integrated Assessment Modeling Consortium" and the excellence program "HUMTEC: Ethics and Energy" demonstrating his interdisciplinary skills and research profile.

As president of the UBw München, I am fully supportive of the EU's ICT Flagship Initiative and, without prejudicing collegiate support for other proposals, I would like to express my strong support for the FuturICT concept and ambition, as well as my support for those involved in proposal preparation, and confirm our interest in active collaboration should the venture be successful.

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