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Dear Prof. Bishop,

This letter is to confirm our support for the proposed *FuturICT* EU flagship project, which brings together the expertise needed to tackle the urgent challenges now confronting us.

As detailed in our technical annex, the approaches that we have been developing around annotation and visual analytics for sensemaking complement the other partners' modelling and visualization approaches, and we are excited at the prospect of working closely with them to deliver next generation infrastructure for better collective intelligence.

Yours sincerely

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