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To whom it may concern:

The NEXA Center for Internet & Society at the Politecnico di Torino has an international reputation for cutting-edge research centered on the relationship between the Internet and society.

Our efforts are concentrated in three areas of inquiry, united by the question of how the Internet can elicit the best from its users: Law, Technology, Innovation, and Knowledge.

The NEXA Center has sought and seeks about the future of the Internet and related technologies. In the field of intellectual property, the need for creative solutions derived from understanding the varied motivations of the relevant players, has continued to grow as the economy changes around the world.

Moreover, we see an enormous need to bring clarity to the conversation about the Internet's impact on democracy.

As more and more activists are using the network as an essential set of tools to do their job - in democratic and non-democratic regimes alike - the threats to their personal security and their ability to express themselves are growing.

We envision a growing opportunity to use Internet technologies to improve the way that we teach, learn, and make information accessible to citizens around the world who are not physically proximate to our libraries.

On accounts of our activities which are related in many ways to the FuturICT initiative, I would like to express the strong interest of our community in supporting such project.

Yours sincerely,

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