



Universidad
Carlos III de Madrid

Re: Flagship FuturICT

To whom it may concern:

As the Vice-President for Research of the Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, I hereby confirm the Universidad's great interest in and support for the proposed Flagship FuturICT. Our university emphasizes multi- and inter-disciplinary approaches based on high-level basic and applied research, and supports and encourages its researchers and teachers to international collaboration with the best researchers and center around the world.

The FuturICT project is an ambitious, cross-cutting, inter-disciplinary project which embraces a number of important research themes that are most important for Universidad Carlos III de Madrid. These include significant engineering challenges in ICT and in modeling of complex systems, for which there are a number of our academics with relevant expertise and experience, as well as complementary initiatives in climate and environment science that will inform specific application domains of the proposed research programme. Furthermore, the dynamics of complex systems and how to develop an ecological model to be most relevant to economics and sociology is an area where Universidad Carlos III de Madrid is also very active.

The proposal therefore engages with major activities of Departments such as Mathematics, Economics and Telematic Engineering, and also the Research Institutes IMDEA Networks and the soon-to-be-started Center for Global Change (joint with CSIC). Universidad Carlos III de Madrid is fully supportive of the EU's FET Flagship Initiative and, without prejudicing collegiate support for other proposals, the Universidad would like to express its strong support for FuturICT as an appropriate tool to support research at the cutting edge and integrate the European engineering, natural and social science communities, and confirm its interest in active collaboration should the initiative be successful.

Sincerely yours,




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