

CitizenConnect

Participatory Action Platform

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Letter of Support for FuturICT Flagship

We are writing to express our strong interest in the FuturICT FET Flagship project. As a joint team that was created out of interest for the possibilities of combining sustainable business models and participatory social action platforms, we find the FuturICT project a great initiative that CitizenConnect aligns with.

CitizenConnect is an online action platform that enables ordinary citizens to be a force for good. Social entrepreneurship is stimulated by the connections between *people*, *ideas* and *money* made at a grassroots level.

The platform intends to foster real-world action and collaboration more particularly in the fields of social entrepreneurship, education and environmental sustainability. It enables people to generate ideas and solutions for societal challenges, build local communities and small interconnected groups around specific actionable ideas, make decisions on different levels, gain financial support through crowdfunding, etc.

CitizenConnect taps into the need and positive energy of many ordinary citizens to make a difference in the world by using the power of social technologies. We therefore feel that the participation of Civil Society in the experimental platforms of the FuturICT project can provide strong support to the multi-stakeholder character of the project.

Yours sincerely,

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