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FuturICT 2.0 FLAG-ERA Joint Transnational Call 2016 Letter of Support

To whom it may concern:

The *BFH Centre Digital Society* supports the "FuturlCT2.0 - Beyond Big Data and Superintelligence" proposal to be submitted to the Flag-Era Joint Transnational Call 2016.

The Centre at Bern University of Applied Sciences (BFH) is an international hub for research on ICT, its applications, and its impact on economy and society. It comprises four faculties at BFH. Core contributors are the Institute for ICT based Management (ICTM, lead by Prof. Dr. Annett Laube-Rosenpflanzer), the Research Institute for Security in the Information Society (RISIS, lead by Prof. Dr. Eric Dubuis), the Institute for Corporate Development (INU, lead by Prof. Dr. Kim Tokarski), and the E-Government Institute (EGI, lead by Prof. Dr. Andreas Spichiger).

The BFH Centre Digital Society has a strong reputation nationwide and in Europe for effective business-academic engagement. This commitment is reflected by a number of EU projects, such as:

- Main contractor of Fusepool and Fusepool P3 www.fusepool.eu
- Work-package and pilot leader in Secure idenTity acrOss boRders linKed 2.0 (STORK 2.0) www.eid-stork2.eu
- Consortium member of Policy and Security Configuration Management (PoSecCo) http://cordis.europa.eu/event/rcn/139588_en.html
- Main contractor of Third Age Online (TAO) www.thirdageonline.eu
- Consortium member of Use-it-wisely. Innovative continuous upgrades of high investment product-services <u>www.use-it-wisely.eu</u>

Each of these projects provides broad and sustained communities of practice, which may be involved for the scientific and development outputs of the FuturlCT2.0 project.



The BFH Centre Digital Society is fully supportive of the FuturICT2.0 project. Its commitment to the development of collaborative projects as integrated part of the FuturICT2.0 activities is assured for the three years of the project run-time. The BFH Centre also confirms its interest in continued collaboration in this area of research, particularly in research addressing real world problems. It will engage in emerging communities and in the development of simulation technologies, high-level visualisation tools and solutions for a more open and participatory democracy.

Yours sincerely, BFH Centre Digital Society

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