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

To whom it may concern.

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is with pleasure that the ICES Foundation indicates its strong support for the Futur ICT 2.0 project being coordinated by the National Research Council of Italy with the participation of outstanding EU institutions and the ETH Zurich in Switzerland.

The ICES Foundation is a Geneva-based, independent, non-political and non-commercial organization which combines science, computing and simulation to better understand and protect our planet and its many life forms – specifically helping guide the successful transformation of human society in an era of social complexity, rapid climate change and frequent natural disasters. We support open science, open data, open source code and open access publishing.

Our work is highly dependent on the Internet and big data sensor networks together with advanced analysis and visualization of natural systems, and to this end we are complementary to the social science emphasis of FuturICT 2.0.

We see great synergy between the ICES Foundation and FuturICT 2.0, as the worldwide 'connected society' begins to emerge, along with its connected cars, smart cities, digital medicine, robotics, AI and the Internet of Things.

Therefore, the ICES Foundation is looking forward to significant cooperation and collaboration with FuturICT 2.0, if the project is successfully funded.

Sincerely Yours,

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