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Att: Prof. Dirk Helbing
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Coordinators of the FuturICT project

Letter of support

It is my pleasure to express strong interest and support in the FuturICT flagship initiative on behalf of the Institute of Nuclear Sciences Vinča in Belgrade.

As one of the leading scientific institutes in Serbia, the Institute Vinča has strong research activities in the field of complex systems with strong ties with domestic and international scientific communities. The Institute was established in 1948 as a research centre for the study of the advanced issues in physics, chemistry and biology, growing to the multidisciplinary scientific institution responding to the major strategic lines of research defined at a national level. Among research teams studying complex systems several groups are involved in research activities which include, among others, econophysics and physics of social systems so we are very much interested in pursuing active collaboration with the FuturICT team and contributing to the success of the project as it advances.

The proposed goals of the FutureICT project which combine advances in information technology with fundamental scientific achievements in complex systems and new methods of modeling and analyzing social systems are important efforts of the international scientific community for understanding complex techno-socio-economic systems and their self-organization with important implications on the global level.

Henceforth, our Institute is committed to participation and support of all activities that may lead to the success of the FuturICT flagship proposal and we are looking forward to collaborating with the international scientific community involved in the FuturICT.

Sincerely yours,

Jovan Nedeljkovic, Director Institute of Nuclear Sciences