

April 11th, 2012

Subject: Letter of Support for FuturICT

Dear FuturICT leadership:

As the Director and Norden Project Leader of the Nordic Centre of Excellence for Strategic Adaptation Research, NCoE NORD-STAR, a Nordic Top-Research Initiative Flagship Project. I am pleased to give my strongest possible recommendation and support to FuturICT.

NORD-STAR is pleased to support FuturICT in any way we can. FuturICT's visionary plan to build a sophisticated framework for simulation, visualisation and participation, called the FuturICT Platform as well as the suite of models forming the Living Earth Simulator to power Observatories, to detect and mitigate crises plus identify opportunities in specific areas; fit well into NORD-STAR research efforts dealing with visualization, decision making, participatory involvement as well as adaptation strategy in general.

I would be pleased to elaborate if any further information is needed. You are more than welcome to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,



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