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Dear Professor Bishop

I am writing as Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Computing and Creative Industries to let you know that Edinburgh Napier University is fully committed to and supportive of the excellent flagship proposal FuturICT.

As a match to the funding made available by the European Commission, the university will make available the remainder of the resources required to meet the full economic costs of the project. In addition to this support I am happy to make available to the project, without cost for his time, the Faculty Assistant Dean responsible for Research and Innovation, Prof Ben Paechter, for up to six days per year for him to attend management meetings and advise in this capacity. Prof Paechter has extensive experience of managing FET projects and is an expert in the area of research management. His leadership of six of our research institutes makes him able to draw on knowledge across a wide area connected with the FuturICT vision and workplan.

The vision is far sighted and will without doubt bring true benefits across Europe and beyond, becoming a cornerstone around which future and emerging technology research can be built long into the future. As a university which values high impact research we are truly proud to be associated with this project and to be able to support it financially, scientifically and for the transformative effect it will have on citizens globally.

Yours sincerely

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