

Applications Competence Center

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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of STACC (Software Technology and Applications Competence Center) based in Tallinn, Estonia, I am writing to express support for the FET Flagship project "FuturICT".

STACC is a research and development organization established in 2009 to conduct high-priority applied research in the field of data mining and software design. STACC is a joint initiative between the Estonian leading universities and IT companies. Our aim is to conduct applied research in software technology by working with suppliers and users of technology. The mission of STACC is to enhance the skills and competitiveness of organizations that are closely involved in software technology.

STACC has worked with industry partners over the past years in the areas of social network data mining and building secure multi-party computation platforms. In addition we have been involved with several software productivity and service network management framework developments. Our research and development work with the industry has demonstrated the need for software research to improve software solutions built for the years to come.

FuturICT is aimed for providing solutions to some of the most critical issues facing humanity in the 21st century. The proposed project for exploring societal, economical and environmental issues through technology serves a noble goal of understanding how to better cope with increasing change and uncertainty. For these causes STACC expresses support for the FuturICT project.

Regards,

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