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To Prof Dr Dirk Helbing

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I, the undersigned, as manager of the Web Mining Research group at Yahoo! Research Barcelona, agree to participate as associated partner in the research project "FuturICT", to be submitted under the call for proposals Future & Emerging Technologies – FET – Flagships, managed by the European Commission within the 7th Framework Programme.

The project will last 30 months and will be conducted under the global scientific guidance of Prof. Dirk Helbing (ETH Zurich) and the management of Prof. Steven Bishop (University College London). The contribution of Yahoo! Research Barcelona will occur within the following work package:

- WP1.3 Social data mining and knowledge discovery, coordinated by Dr Fosca Giannotti, ISTI-CNR, Pisa, where it will make possible on-site big experiments on social mining methods on datasets of query logs adding value to task 1.3.2.

The collaboration will be carried out through discussions, exchange of information and contacts, and performed via electronic means and eventual mutual visiting periods spent by the researchers in the involved institutions, as per the further agreements which will be eventually signed.

Neither part will incur, as a result of this letter, to any financial obligation.

Sincerely,

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