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Dear Professor Helbing,

As director of the French Network for Complex Systems (RNSC), I hereby express the strong interest and full support of the RNSC for your "FuturIcT" flagship initiative.

Indeed, our network, which is funded by the main Research Organisations<sup>1</sup> in France, has among its objectives to help the coordination of the research about Complex Systems taking place in these organisations. We see the flagship initiative as a means to boost new collaborations in this research and drive it towards new breakthroughs. It would hence be a great opportunity for the network to be involved in this initiative.

Thank you for all your efforts invested in this project.

Yours sincerely,



Paul Bourguin  
Directeur du RNSC  
Directeur du CREA-Ecole Polytechnique

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<sup>1</sup> CNRS, Inserm, INRA, INRIA, IRD, CEMAGREF, IFREMER, CIRAD, Conference of Presidents of the Universities, Conference of Grandes Ecoles.