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Research Promotion Foundation  
P.O. Box 23422  
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Dear Sir, Madam,

Professor C.V.Jongeneel of The Cyprus Institute is submitting a proposal to the Research Promotion Foundation under Axis 4 "Development of Research Infrastructures," Program "New Infrastructure," Specific Action "Strategic Infrastructure Projects" of the "Framework Program for Research, Technological Development and Innovation 2008" (DESMI 2008). This proposal calls for the creation of a new Research Unit in Cyprus, a multi-teraflop/s HPC unit named CyTera. This Research Unit would be physically located on the Athalassa campus of the Cyprus Institute and affiliated with its Computation based Science and Technology Research Center (CSTRC).

The Cyprus Institute fully supports the creation of the Research Unit proposed by Prof. C.V.Jongeneel, which is in full agreement with the CSTRC development plans. The educational components embedded in the proposed unit will complement CSTRC planned activities ultimately aimed at creating a Graduate Program in computational science and engineering at the Cyprus Institute. We also welcome the opportunity that the Research Unit will offer to strengthen and enlarge our cooperation with other research institutions in Cyprus and internationally.

The Cyprus Institute is committed to house the new Research Unit and to make available the infrastructure necessary for its development and operations. This includes adequate office space and machine room, to be installed on Cyl's Athalassa campus, and access to all of its existing and planned infrastructures (laboratories, equipment, computer resources, core support staff, etc). The Institute also will undertake a contractual obligation to support and sustain the operation of the new unit in the future and for a minimum period of five (5) years after the completion of the Project Contact.

Yours sincerely,

Costas N Papanicolas

President