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FUTURICT PROJECT: FIRST MEETING OF GREEK SCIENTISTS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2011

In the framework of the FET Flagships Program of the EU, a very important proposal involving European researchers interested in Complexity science will be submitted in **April 2012**. The proposal concerns **the project called FuturICT** (see attached Summary and <http://www.futurict.eu>). We, the undersigned, are coordinating an effort to inform Greek scientists and policy makers about this project and have created the webpage <http://www.futurict.gr>.

With this message, **we would like to invite you to participate in the first Greek meeting** devoted to FuturICT, which will be held on **Friday November 4, 2011** in Athens, hosted by “Demokritos” Research Center, as follows:

13:00 – 13:15: **Introductory remarks**, opening of the meeting by Dr. Nikos Kanellopoulos Director of the “Demokritos” Research Center

13:15 – 14:00: **Presentation of the FuturICT project** by the project coordinator Prof. Steven Bishop

14:00 – 14:45: **Short presentations** by the undersigned panel members, on how Greek scientists can make a contribution to FuturICT.

14:45 – 15:15: Break

15:15 – 16:00: The floor is open for discussion, ideas and propositions by the participants.

16:00 – 17:00: We **identify 4-5 different key issues** related to the **Work Packages of the Proposal** and **ask the participants to divide in 4-5 groups** each corresponding to one of these issues.

Prof. Steven Bishop, will also give a plenary lecture on Complexity Science **on the same day, Friday November 4, at 11:00 a.m.** at Demokritos, on the occasion of the celebration of 50 years of the National Research Center.

The major purpose of the above FuturICT meeting will be to give a clear picture to all participants regarding the subject matter of the project, the contributions that you can make towards to write-up of the proposal, the mode of the distribution of the funds, and any other related subjects that may arise. Therefore, please feel free to bring up any ideas that you may have. This would be the best time.

Additionally, we can all decide together about the form of our activities. We can establish a Steering Committee for the project consisting of individuals in the Universities where there is active interest. Please bring all your ideas about how to continue in the future.

The location of the meeting is in the campus of Demokritos, in Aghia Paraskevi, in the "Demokritos Congress Center". For details and instructions how to get there: <http://www.demokritos.gr/Contents.aspx?CatId=61>

We hope to see you all there.

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