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**Subject: Letter of Support regarding the project proposal CLARA under the topic HORIZON-WIDERA-2023-ACCESS-01-01-two-stage “Teaming for Excellence”**

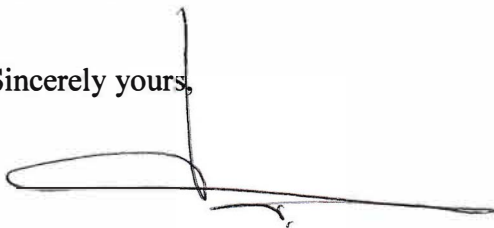
To whom it may concern,

Jacques Touchon, Emeritus Professor of Montpellier University, Honorary Dean of the Medical School of Montpellier, Founder and Chairman of the CTAD, Editor in chief of the JPAD, hereby expresses its intent to give support to the project proposal CLARA: Center for Artificial Intelligence and Quantum Computing in System Brain Research. In response to the European Commission call “Teaming for Excellence”, the CLARA project aims to develop and deploy next generation of artificial intelligence/machine learning applications and quantum-centric supercomputing tools to resolve the etiology of neurodegenerative diseases. The ultimate goal of CLARA is to push the frontier of neurodegeneration research, particularly Alzheimer’s disease, identify novel pathways to understand brain architecture/network complexity and discover new intervention targets that ameliorate neurodegeneration.

Professor Jacques Touchon believes that Project CLARA goals are in line with national and regional strategies.

For this reason, Professor Jacques Touchon is confident in confirming its genuine interest in collaboration with the CLARA Center on a variety of activities including co-creation activities within CLARA Collaboratorium, by representing the views of people with dementia and their careers in the research consortium, by contributing to the ethical discussions and by supporting the communication and dissemination activities towards a non-scientific audience.

Sincerely yours,



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