

**Copyright Assignment Agreement (CAA)  
for an Individual Contributor  
“CGAL Project”**

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YOU GUARANTEE THAT YOU OWN COPYRIGHTS OVER YOUR CONTRIBUTION(S) AND THAT YOU HOLD ALL OF THE RIGHTS NECESSARY TO ASSIGN SAID CONTRIBUTION(S) TO US.

You guarantee, in particular, that:

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**For Inria**

David SIMPLOT  
Director of the  
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Date:

Location:

Signature:

**For You**

[Name]

Date:

Location:

Signature:

## APPENDIX 1: CGAL components

## **APPENDIX 2: Description of the Contribution**

Description of the collaboration / Internship: