

## Request for Recommendation

**I. To the applicant:** Complete Section I. One form should be given to each recommender.

Last (Family) Name **Bezerra**

First Name **Carlos Eduardo Benevides**

is an applicant for admission to the PhD program of the Faculty of Informatics at the University of Lugano, Switzerland.

Please sign and check either option (1) or option (2), below.

1. I expressly waive any rights I might have to access this letter of recommendation. Doing so means that this letter of recommendation constitutes a private communication between the recommender and the University of Lugano.

Signature

Date

2. I retain any rights I might have to access this letter of recommendation.

Signature

Date

If neither option is indicated above or is left unsigned, then option (1) will hold.

## II. To the recommender:

This form is intended solely for your convenience; its use is optional. Before you agree to submit a recommendation, whether on this form or on your own stationery, please review the applicant's decision about their rights to access the recommendation. We solicit your candid evaluation of the applicant's preparation for graduate study, range of abilities and accomplishments, and creative and intellectual promise. On the back of this form, or on your own stationery, please summarize your opinion of (a) the quality of the applicant's academic or creative achievements, including material not apparent on the official transcripts; (b) the applicant's scholarly or creative potential and promise for advanced and original work; (c) those aspects of the applicant's personality and character significant to graduate study; and (d) the applicant's special skills and experience where demonstrated in an art, vocation, or profession. We would appreciate knowing the extent of your contact with the applicant and any special opportunities you may have had to observe the applicant.

## III. Summary Evaluation

Compared with the \_\_\_\_\_ (number) students you have known in the past \_\_\_\_\_ years in their field at approximately the same level of training, this applicant would rank as indicated on the scales below, when evaluated for:

a. Scholarly or creative achievement

0	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%	HIGHEST
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b. Promise or probability of success

0	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%	HIGHEST
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Recommender's Signature

Date

Name Printed or Typed **Philippe Olivier Alexandre Navaux**

Title

Address

Porto Alegre, April 15, 2010

To Whom it May Concern,

I am privileged to write in support of my student, Carlos Eduardo Benevides Bezerra. Carlos studied in my classroom and in my research group – GPPD, or Grupo de Processamento Paralelo e Distribuído (parallel and distributed processing group) – for over three years, during which time I witnessed his significant growth and development. This development could be measured not only by his grades, but also by the number of papers he published at conferences and journals. Finally, he was one of the chairs of WSPPD 2009, a workshop in the area of parallel and distributed systems.

I must make note of Carlos' exceptional academic performance. He obtained A grade in nearly all the subjects he studied. Not only did he achieve an important performance in terms of grades, but he also has a significant number of papers published, including one at an international conference, held in Vancouver in 2008, and a journal paper published by Springer. Besides, one of his publications, at the Brazilian Symposium on Computer Games and Digital Entertainment, a nation-wide conference, has been awarded as the second overall best paper, having been invited for extension and publication on ACM Computers in Entertainment, whose submission result has not been announced yet.

If your Ph.D. program is seeking superior candidates with a record of achievement, Carlos is an excellent choice. Therefore, I recommend him to your Ph.D. program with absolute confidence.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Philippe Olivier Alexandre Navaux  
Associate Professor

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