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Dear DAC Young Fellows Program Committee,

I am writing to offer my enthusiastic endorsement for Dylan Leothaud, a second-year PhD student at the University of Rennes, France, who is co-advised by myself, Steven Derrien, and my colleague Prof. Isabelle Puaut. Dylan is a full-time student actively engaged in research within the Electronic Design Automation field and is in the early stages of his academic journey.

I am pleased to share that Dylan will be presenting a paper at DAC, further demonstrating his commitment and contribution to the field. His work aims to expand the capabilities of High-Level Synthesis tools to support speculative execution mechanisms by optimizing mispeculation recovery cost. Moreover, we confirm that we will complement the funding for his travel expenses, ensuring that all additional financial requirements are adequately met.

Thank you for considering Dylan Leothaud's application. I am confident that his participation in the program will not only enhance his academic and professional growth but also contribute positively to the success of DAC 2025.

Sincerely,

Steven Derrien

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