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To Whom It May Concern:

I am Yeon Ho Chung, Professor of the Department of Information and Communications Engineering, Pukyong National University, Busan, Korea. I am also Vice President of the Korean Institute of Communications and Information Sciences (KICS), which is the largest communication society in Korea, and am currently in charge of KICS's regional activities.

We created a new international conference focusing on ICT convergence called the International Conference on Maritime IT Convergence (ICMIC), with core interests in the convergence of ICT technologies and maritime IT. The ICMIC is in close institutional cooperation with the Korea Institute of Ocean Science and Technology (KIOST), which is a government-run research institute in maritime technologies and oceanography. In September 2022, we first launched the ICMIC successfully at Sono Calm Resort, Jeju, 2022. For details, you can visit our website at http://www.icmic-conf.org. As part of our strategy to broaden the ICMIC in 2023 in terms of the demographics of the participants and also enhance the impact of the ICMIC, we endeavor to increase our cooperation with international communication societies, such as IEICE and IEEE. To this end, we will soon contact the IEEE ComSoc TC Chair for the technical co-sponsorship with the IEEE.

In this view, I herewith request approval from the IEICE for the technical co-sponsorship toward the ICMIC 2023. I believe that this cooperation will promote vibrant interaction between the scholars of the two societies, and enhance the exchange and sharing of professional views and expertise.

I appreciate your support and cooperation in advance. If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

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