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Dear Prof. Yguel,

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I have taken notice of the project of creating a laboratory of excellence with the name "CENSE" with strong foundations in nuclear physics and nuclear chemistry, ready to solve key societal questions in therapy and imaging in nuclear medicine and in environmental sciences and to foster interdisciplinary research to which nuclear physics has traditionally made many contributions.

As president of a committee, charged by the minister of higher education and research to evaluate the SUBATECH laboratory in 2006, I was impressed by the scientific standards and the ambitions of this laboratory in fundamental and applied research. This internationally well known laboratory fulfils all conditions to coordinate the creation of a laboratory of excellence.

I strongly support this project and hope that the already existing strong collaboration of my research center with SUBATECH can be extended to this new laboratory.

Yours sincerely

Horst Stöcker

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