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**Support for the consortium coordinated by Télécom Bretagne, l'Institut Mines Télécom in response to the call for a network from generic ANR 2013**

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to offer my strong endorsement of the network project ORPHEE, coordinated by Télécom Bretagne, Institut Mines Télécom, on behalf of a consortium associating French research teams on e-education, bringing together various disciplines such as educational technology, education, pedagogy, and computer-science.

The Technology Enhanced Learning (TEL) community is undergoing a rapid transformation, with the development of massive open online courses (MOOCs), and new companies and research teams being formed to investigate and exploit the opportunities of mobile, ubiquitous and pervasive technologies for learning.

The proposed network represents a substantial opportunity to consolidate and inform TEL research in Europe and internationally. I welcome the opportunity to develop collaborative research with the French research team in this area.

Yours truly,

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