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Request for Membership in EuroGOOS

Dear Dr. Nittis,

We would deeply appreciate if you could pass our request for membership to the annual General Meeting of EuroGOOS.

The Ligurian Cluster of Marine Technologies, strongly backed by enterprises, was founded in 2009, implementing the decision of the ministry of Education, University and Research and the Ligurian Region, with the aim of supporting the integration between research and business activity on the topics of system for naval shipbuilding and leisure boating, naval systems for defense and security and monitoring remediation and safety of the marine ecosystems.

The uniqueness of DLTM within the national panorama and its effectiveness is based on the capability to integrate both civil and defense sectors, and maritime industry and marine sciences. The cluster involves members in a program of integrated actions, able to link the growth on: knowledge (research), capabilities (innovation) and skills (training), also fulfilled by the project "Research and Innovation Pole on sea technologies and marine environment" (PoloDLTM), funded by the Region of Liguria. The new DLTM strategic agenda, planned up to 2015, develops the imperative of improving the maritime smart specialization of the Liguria Region in the European Context, without losing its role of technology Cluster, i.e territorial sectorial governance body, capable of involving all stakeholders in the processes of research, innovation and training.

DLTM develops actions aimed to promote networking, exchanging knowledge and skills (open innovation), provide project management services, active Cooperative Research Laboratories, appropriate contexts for matching experience and research on the following topics: measurement,

ship design and simulation, high performance computing, environmental monitoring and research on ecosystems. The cluster offers its members activities of technology and managerial knowledge transfer towards the enterprise system and services to SMEs on strategic positioning, regulatory support, internationalization and matching, access to computing resources and advanced design tools. DLTM in order to stimulate the interest of young people for the maritime profession and to encourage companies in implementing the innovation culture, implements the international school programs designed to complement student's academic knowledge with industrial application skills and develops together with the local school system, additional training courses and internships in companies.

Taking all this into consideration we feel that the mutual collaboration between EuroGOOS Associated and DLTM will be of mutual benefit. We hope that we are a suitable candidate for membership according to the standards of EuroGOOS.

Many thanks for your consideration

Sincerely yours

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