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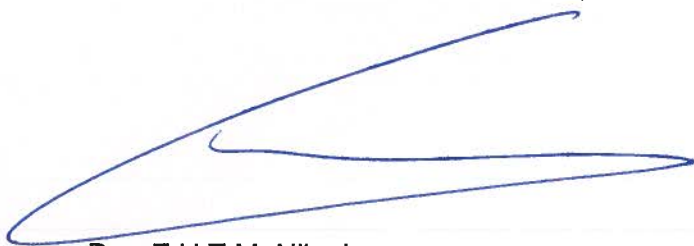
Dear professor van Oosterom,

With great interest we learned about your initiative to develop a large scale research facility Maps4Science. As the business association for Geo-IT companies in the Netherlands with more than 100 associate members, we would like to support your initiative, and consequently your consortium and your application.

Maps4Science is an important initiative for GeoBusiness Nederland because it is a crucial enabler for many scientists to improve and extend their research. Maps4Science will enable the Netherlands science community to reach and keep a top level position in a broad range of science domains. It will allow us to play a leading role in the research and innovation into open, shared, and linked location data and how it can be used in many fields of science.

Maps4Science will ultimately be very beneficial for the entire Netherlands science community and geo-information sector, including Universities, Research and Government organizations and private companies.

On behalf of GeoBusiness Nederland, with best regards,



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