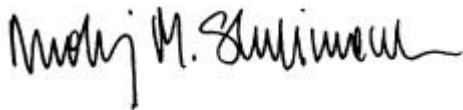


Ltd., the Chamber of Industry and Commerce, local media, local and regional government, and professional associations. The Group will be open to further local and regional institutions and authorities interested in joining the Group and capable to positively contribute to its goals and activities. We will also represent and facilitate the exchange of ideas with our partner organisations from Ukraine, Georgia and Armenia.

The proposed project's activities will benefit from a synergy with other projects and actions undertaken by the Foundation, such as our activities within ESTO (European Science and Technology Observatory), research programmes in forecasting, foresight and decision sciences, implementation of local, regional and supraregional innovation strategies, and pro-innovative actions within the National Service System for SMEs (KSU), to mention only a few. The operational responsibility for the project will be assigned to our Technology Transfer Centre and Centre for Decision Sciences and Forecasting.

A booklet describing the PBF's experience and present activities is enclosed.

With best regards,



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Letter of Intent

Dear Professor Manzelli,

On behalf of the Progress & Business Foundation, Kraków, Poland (PBF), I declare that in case of approval and financing by the European Community of the Integrated Project:

"Mental Change: Accelerating into the European future of e-government of knowledge economy"

to be submitted for financing to the under the FP6-2002-Citizens-3 Call, First Call of Priority 7 - Citizens and governance in a knowledge based society, Research Area 1 Identifier: [FP6-2002-Citizens-3], OJ Reference: OJ C315 of 17.12.2002, the Foundation will participate as a project partner.

We will be in particular in charge of:

- *Co-ordinating and carrying out the subproject : "Methodology for mental change modelling : social impact models, discrete-event systems, decision support, and gaming phenomena", featuring the track on "Mental Change, ERA, Innovation and Foresight: mutual impact".*
- *Co-ordination of the Regional Special Interest Group (cf. the specification below).*
- *Organisation of seminars and workshops according to the timetable of the project.*
- *Participation in international meetings to be organised within the project, promoting and supporting other forms of exchange of experience and information about emerging mental change phenomena between the partners of this project.*
- *Contributing to the Project's web site design and validation as well as maintaining the subproject's web site on our server.*
- *Dissemination of project's results and their promotion among the policy-makers.*

The Foundation will act as a co-ordinating partner for the local project's Special Interest Group, consisting of the academic institutions represented in the PBF Council, the Kraków-based innovative SME cluster, the high-tech and ICT incubator "P&B Incubator"