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Dear Dr. Iosup,

I am happy to support your MagnaData project proposal. I also agree to involve Oracle Labs in the User Advisory Board of this project.

Oracle Labs aims to identify and explore new directions in computer science that in the process will yield innovative new products and services for Oracle. At Oracle Labs, I lead several teams of researchers involved in simplifying complex programming tasks such as Big Data analysis and programming Parallel Heterogeneous systems. We are very interested in scale up and scale out, and in cloud technology to support a variety of users.

I have been impressed by your scientific and technical skill. Unrelated to Magnadata, following my sponsorship, Oracle Labs has already committed over 200,000US\$ as gifts from Oracle to support your scientific activities in benchmarking large-scale datacenter applications, such as graph processing. We have also been early adopters of the Graphalytics open-source software deriving from this activity, and hosted as a research intern Yong Guo who is a Ph.D. student under your daily supervision.

I am interested to continue our collaboration by taking part in the User Advisory Board of MagnaData, to which I commit time for the yearly meeting. Oracle Labs will again look for options for early adoption of your innovative technology, which aligns well with our goals. We will form a close technical collaboration under the daily supervision of Tim Harris, who is a world-recognized expert in resource management and scheduling in the datacenter.

I find the quality of the candidate and of the proposal of the highest level and appropriate for a VIDJ project. I am aware of the competitive nature of VIDJ projects, which I consider similar to the NSF CAREER awards (2-7 years after graduation, top 10% of the candidates).

Overall, I am looking forward to be involved in the Magnadata proposal and to continue working with you!

Signed,

Dr. Hassan Chafi