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To whom it may concern

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Subject: Recommendation for Mihai Cirlanaru for Jacobs Undergraduate Student Travel Funding

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am happy to write a recommendation letter for Mihai Cirlanaru. He is a very bright, motivated, and hard-working student. I have known him from his start at Jacobs in 2008; he has finished his classes with me with excellent and good grades, which put him in the top 10% of his class from the first year. As a TA for my General Computer Science I & II course in this academic year, he has been very conscientious and dedicated; I consider him a model TA, as he has volunteered opinions on how to improve things and generally has been a pleasure to interact with. He is currently finishing his bachelor's thesis under my supervision (working title "Identifying Units and Quantities in Technical Documents").

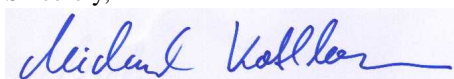
Mihai Cirlanaru got a report on an *essential part of his guided research* accepted as a full paper at the International Workshop on Semantic Publications (SePublica) at the Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC). His contribution to the paper titled "Authoring and Publishing Units and Quantities in Semantic Documents" and co-authored by the co-supervisors of his bachelor's thesis, Deyan Ginev and Christoph Lange, which amounts to 2/3 of the content, covers what he has so far achieved in his guided research: 1. reviewing types of occurrences of units in technical documents and elaborating why they are mission-critical, 2. establishing technical requirements for enriching scientific and technical publications with interactive unit-aware support, and 3. developing such interactive services, starting with preference-based in-place unit conversion. The workshop organizers have informed me that the paper has received good reviews and is currently under consideration for an archival post-proceedings volume.

Mihai Cirlanaru's passionate interest in interactive automated applications driven by a semantic knowledge representation, combined with my expectation that he will certainly submit an excellent thesis, constitutes a good foundation for further successful collaboration with him, to which my group and I are looking forward. The SePublica workshop and the ESWC provide an excellent venue for him to deepen his understanding of the state of research in these fields, and provide a suitable forum for building networks in the community, from which my whole group will ultimately benefit.

*I enthusiastically recommend Mihai Cirlanaru for the Jacobs Undergraduate Student Travel Funding*

If you have any questions about Mihai Cirlanaru, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Prof. Dr. Michael Kohlhasse