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Letter of Endorsement in support of Prof. Imbesi for the Cumulus President VIIII 2025-2028

To Whom It May Concern:

It is a great pleasure for me to recommend Prof. Lorenzo Imbesi for the next Cumulus President VIIII for the years 2025-2028.

I've been an active member of the Cumulus Association for a longtime, including sitting in the Cumulus Executive Board in the last tern 2022-2025. I endorse Lorenzo Imbesi as the next Cumulus President VIIII for 2025–2028 for a second term.

He is a renowned member of the Cumulus community and has worked for the community during as presidency period 2022-2025. He has been a member of the Executive Board of Cumulus Association for two mandates since 2016. He started the Cumulus PhD Network and co-chaired the 'Design Cultures' Cumulus Roma 2020-2021 international conference.

According to this, I believe that his practical approach and vision will make a significant contribution to the next presidency, building a new design society valuing the DNA of CUMULUS. He is a serious academic and, at the same time, an enthusiastic person who will play the role of the team-maker to develop the future projects and initiatives of Cumulus.

For these reasons, I strongly support Prof. Lorenzo Imbesi to be elected as the Cumulus President VIIII 2025-2028 and believe he will do well servicing the entire association for the next three years.

Sincerely,

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