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Summer School of Science

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It is my great pleasure to write this letter of support for the Summer School of Science (S3/S3++) organized by the Society for Out-of-Frame Education in Pozega (Croatia) and by the Science and Education Centre Visnjan. In the 2015 season, I took part as a lecturer and met the organisers, the other faculty and the students.

The students came from a variety of places including Croatia and other Mediterranean countries. They were a lively and active group of final year high school students with keen interests in science. They were divided into small groups, each pursuing a particular project. The projects were led by graduate student volunteers and covered an impressive depth and breadth of sciences from cell biology, solid-state physics, chemistry to computer science and robotics. Watching the students, I was struck by their enthusiasm and sophistication. In addition to the projects, external lecturers visit the summer school to give introductory lectures about their field of science, and also more general coaching on approaching an academic education and a career in science.

The summer school is housed in the state-of-the-art modern building of the local high school (gimnazija) of Pozega, a charming town in rural Croatia.

The summer school is a wonderful opportunity for young future scientists from different places to meet each other, learn about science in a fun and engaging way, and I am sure it leaves a great impression on its alumni. It is supported by a dedicated and enthusiastic team of graduate students mainly from Croatia. I was deeply impressed by it, and I hope that the summer school will continue to go from strength to strength, and heartily encourage anyone considering supporting the event, be it by sponsoring or contributing as a lecturer!

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wolfgang Huber". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Wolfgang Huber