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Dear Professor Mecsi,

It is our pleasure and privilege to heartily support the nomination of Dr. Win Aung as recipient of the honorary degree *Honoris Causa* of the distinguished University of Pecs. We share the chairmanship of the International Conference on Engineering Education 2007. It was within the iNEER, several years ago, that we have met Dr. Win Aung. Since the first moment, we appreciated his very active, wise and charismatic personality. By the contacts we have had for many years, and the better knowledge we have acquired, our respect and admiration have only increased.

His curriculum-vitae speaks for itself. First as an excellent researcher at the Bell Laboratories in Whippany, NJ, then, since 1974, as a career member of the National Science Foundation. In this capacity, he had a primordial, a definitive contribution in launching the iNEER- the International Network for Engineering Education & Research. His vast culture, comprehensive vision of the world and of the crucial implications of Engineering Education and Engineering Research, his extraordinary capacity of mobilising academics, practitioners, politicians made this sort of miracle of organising, every year, two series of conferences, which have received an unquestionable and worldwide respect: the ICEEs, dealing with Engineering Education, and the iCEERs, related to Engineering Research.

The conferment of the *Doctorem Honoris Causa* is the recognition of his outstanding contributions for the field of Engineering Education and Research, where he has achieved a role and a stand of relevant educational leadership. For us, this is a recommendable initiative once Dr. Win Aung has been an enthusiastic supporter of various and important educational programs and projects, mainly, in the field of Engineering Education. His efforts to ensure that the learning needs of all young people are met through appropriate learning and life skill programmes are remarkable.


We must add that his leadership has been quite impressive in fostering an international community of academics, researchers and professionals, which goes well beyond Science and Technology, creating friendship and international comprehension between cultures and

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countries. He has been particularly aware of the needs of emergent contemporary societies, involving all the relevant partners in the forging of a better Engineering Education and correlative practices. Dr. Win Aung has been long recognised as a distinguished authority all over the world in the fields of Engineering Education and Engineering Research.

For all of that and much more that our humble testimony could not express, we keenly support the attribution to Dr. Win Aung of the very distinct award of *Doctorem Honoris Causa* by the University of Pecs for the relevant and exceptional services to Engineering Education and Research.

Yours respectfully,



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