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Re: NSF CAREER proposal of Prof. Alexey Petrov

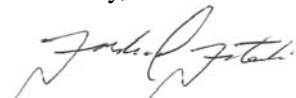
To: Program Director, National Science Foundation

This letter is in support of the outreach part of the NSF CAREER proposal, NSF Solicitation NSF-05-579 by Prof. Alexey Petrov titled "CAREER: An Integrated Research and Education Program in Physics of Heavy Hadrons."

The Department of Computer Science at Wayne State University welcomes the opportunity to partner with Dr. Petrov in the development of the proposed project *HiSchool DiSCo*. We will be happy to support his initiative with our expertise in distributed computing, and as budgeted in the grant, we will also provide assistance with developing and maintaining the proposed distributed computing network. We find this potential collaboration to be an ideal fit with the programs of our own outreach mission, such as Summer Computer Camp 2005, run by the Department this summer.

Personally, I feel that this program is desperately needed and I am willing to contribute my experience and time to make this program a successful one.

Sincerely,



Farshad Fotouhi
Chair & Professor