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to Professor Paolo ATZENI
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Dear Colleague,

Professor Alberto PAOLUZZI (Computer Science, Dept. of Mathematic and Physics) requested the title of Professor Emeritus, and it is a great pleasure for me to write this support letter.

Prof. Paoluzzi is a great pioneer in Geometric Modeling. Throughout his career, he produced many innovative and very interesting contributions in Computer Graphics, Geometric Modeling, Computer-Aided Design and Image Analysis. He proposed new models for representing geometric objects, new operations for handling them, and conceived and developed full geometric modeling softwares. He enriched his proposals by studying their use in different application fields, from the control of constructions to the design and implementation of geometric modeling languages.

Many researchers have based parts of their works upon the results of Prof. Paoluzzi. For instance, several of my works about simplicial, cubical, simploidal et cellular structures have benefited from his proposals and results.

So, the contributions of Prof. Paoluzzi to the field of Geometric Modeling and its applications are important, and constant throughout his career.

I am convinced that he still has a lot to contribute to the field, that is why I support his request very warmly.

I remain at your disposal for any further information.

Yours sincerely

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Short CV

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- 1994- : Full Professor, University of Poitiers
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 - 1989-1994: Researcher, C.N.R.S.
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- 2013 - 2019 : head of Master in Computer Science, University of Poitiers
- 2007 - 2015 : member of C.N.U. section 27
- 2004 - 2007 : head of Signal - Image - Communications laboratory, University of Poitiers
- 1995 - 2001 : head of Computer Science Dept., Université de Poitiers.

Research topics : Geometric Modeling, Computer Graphics

Main publications

Book

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- "Topological Models for Boundary Representation : A Comparison with N-Dimensional Generalized Maps". P. Lienhardt. Computer-Aided Design, Vol. 23, n° 1 (1991), pp. 59–82.

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