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Cumulus International Ass. of Universities
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General Secretary Eija Salmi
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Rome, 09 May 2022

Dear General Secretary Eija Salmi, dear Cumulus members,

I am writing this letter of endorsement in my capacity of Deputy Rector for International Affairs at Sapienza University of Rome and I am delighted to write this letter of support for Prof. Lorenzo Imbesi's candidacy as next President of Cumulus Association for the years 2022-2025.

Lorenzo Imbesi is Full Professor of Design at Sapienza University of Rome and at the moment he is Director of Sapienza Design Research Interdepartmental Centre and Chair of the International Relations Board for the Faculty of Architecture and Design.

Prof. Imbesi is an established scholar with connections in several international networks associated with his field.

I strongly believe that Prof. Imbesi has the leadership and human qualities for strategically steering and globally representing a large international Association as Cumulus.

I can witness that Prof. Imbesi is a strong academic scholar and a senior dedicated leader gifted of strong ethic values.

Along the years, he tirelessly worked to develop international connections to bolster the Design Programs at Sapienza through a number of initiatives, international conferences, research networks. Just to mention one among the many projects, he recently organized and co-chaired the Cumulus 2021 conference on "Design Cultures", which can be considered one of the largest international conferences at Sapienza and a very successful scholarly design event.

Along his two term of service in a row for the Cumulus Executive Board, I can state that he has actively worked for Sapienza University to be present in a number of Cumulus initiatives, also Co-Chairing the Design Research Working Group and starting the Cumulus PhD Network.

I strongly believe that the presence of Sapienza University of Rome in the leadership of the Association will provide an opportunity for bolstering and for integrating globally the different design cultures. At the same time, I am confident that Prof. Imbesi is a dedicated academic leader

who will volunteer his talent and expertise only in the public interest of the Cumulus community, to remain true to its mission and to advance the role of art and design education and research globally.

This letter comes to guarantee that Prof. Lorenzo Imbesi will be able to take over the duties and commitments as President of the Association, while taking part in the Board Meetings and General Assembly activities, and that travel expenses will be covered by our institution. Sapienza University of Rome is fully supporting Prof. Imbesi to serve Cumulus as President if elected, receiving the required institutional and economical support of our institution to any necessary activity.

I am confident that his leadership expertise and international networking will prove to be a valuable asset for the overall Cumulus global design community.

Sincerely,
Prof. Bruno Botta





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LA RETTRICE

Rome, 12 May 2022

Cumulus International Association of Universities
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General Secretary Eija Salmi
PO Box 31000, 00076
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Dear General Secretary Eija Salmi, dear Cumulus members,

As Rector of Sapienza University of Rome, I am writing this letter to endorse Prof. Lorenzo Imbesi's candidacy as the next President of Cumulus Association for the years 2022-2025.

Lorenzo Imbesi is a Full Professor of Design at Sapienza University of Rome, and he is currently directing the Sapienza Design Research and chairing the International Relations Board for the Faculty of Architecture and Design.

Prof. Imbesi is a strong academic scholar, with connections in several international networks within the field, and a dedicated senior leader gifted with strong ethical values.

I firmly believe that Prof. Imbesi has the leadership and human qualities for strategically steering and globally representing a large international Association like Cumulus. His expertise and international networking will be a valuable asset for the overall Cumulus global design community.

Over the years, he has been working tirelessly to develop international connections to bolster the Design Programs at Sapienza through a number of initiatives, international conferences, and research networks. To mention one among his many projects, he recently organised and co-chaired the Cumulus 2021 Conference on "Design Cultures", which can be considered one of the largest international conferences at Sapienza and a very successful scholarly design event.

Along with his two terms of service in a row for the Cumulus Executive Board, he has actively worked for Sapienza University to be present in several Cumulus initiatives, also co-chairing the Design Research Working Group and starting the Cumulus PhD Network.

I strongly believe that the presence of Sapienza University of Rome in the leadership of the Association will provide an opportunity for bolstering and integrating globally the different design culture. At the same time, I am confident that Prof. Imbesi is a dedicated academic leader who will volunteer his talent and expertise only in the public interest of the Cumulus community to remain true to its mission and advance the role of art and design education and research globally.

Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions you may have regarding Prof. Imbesi.

Sincerely,

Antonella Polimeni