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To

the Members of the Executive Committee of the International Society of Ceramics in Medicine

## LETTER OF SUPPORT

Dear Sirs,

I would like to inform you that the University of Ioannina warmly supports the initiative of Associate Professor Dr. Simeon Agathopoulos to submit a candidacy for hosting and organizing the 27<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the International Society of Ceramics in Medicine in Greece in 2015.

Prof. Agathopoulos is a senior faculty member of our University as Associate Professor of "Ceramics Technology" in the Department of Materials Science and Engineering. Since he joined our University (in 2006), he has exhibited intensive activity at undertaking similar prestigious scientific events. Our University has supported all his initiatives that have already taken place with big success. In particular, we have supported him, as Organizing Institution, in the 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on High Temperature Capillarity "HTC-2009" (May 6-9, 2009) and the 4<sup>th</sup> National Conference of the Greek (Hellenic) Society of Biomechanics (HSB, June 4-6, 2010). It is worthy to note that due to the success of both those evens, Prof. Agathopoulos is now Secretary of the HTC and President of the HSB.

Moreover, our University has an excellent group of Professors on Bioceramics, Ceramics, Glasses, Glass-Ceramics, Nano-Ceramics, Bioengineering, Tissue Engineering, Biology, and Orthopedics, with very high international scientific prestige and remarkably high scores in publications and citations, which will be actively involved in the organization of Bioceramics-27.

Accordingly, I can assure you that our University expresses the strong willingness and provides all the scientific and organizing qualifications to act as the Organizing Institution of this candidacy to be held under the coordination of Prof. Agathopoulos, who is scientifically perfect and absolutely capable to carry out the organization of the International Conference BIOCERAMICS-27 with a big success. Therefore, I strongly suggest to approve the submitted candidacy and aware him with the chairing and the entire coordination of hosting and organizing BIOCERAMICS-27 in Greece in 2015.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Georgios D. Kapsalis

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