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Subject
Reference letter for Mr. Christian Manteuffel

Dear sir or madam,

In my position as Professor of Software Engineering and head of the Software Engineering and Architecture research group at the Computing Science department of the University of Groningen, I have been the supervisor of Mr. Christian Manteuffel during the fall semester of 2009. Christian worked as an intern within my group as part of his education program at the Fontys University of Applied Sciences. As of September 2011 I have also been the lecturer of Christian at the MSc of Software Engineering and Distributed Systems.

During his internship, his job was to develop the Open Pattern Repository: a publicly available and freely usable online repository for software engineering patterns with a focus on architectural and design software patterns. He particularly spent a high effort on the user interface in order to create intuitive and straightforward ways of processing web forms. He possesses an excellent knowledge of web technologies. In the MSc programme, Christian is one of the top students of his cohort. In the two courses that I teach, Software Architecture and Software Patterns, Christian achieved the highest grades in his class.

Christian showed a remarkable ability to work independently and organize himself and his work. He is able to think out of the box, which is rather uncommon for undergraduate students. Furthermore, he is able to cope reliably with all the tasks assigned to him and deliver results within the given timeline. Moreover, he has a tendency to strive for perfection on his work and possesses excellent communication skills. Last but certainly not least, he takes responsibility for his actions and decisions.

Throughout the course of his involvement in my group and the MSc programme, Christian worked very hard, exceeding the number of normal working hours. He is a creative software engineer and a bright scholar. I have been exceptionally satisfied with his performance. I full-heartedly recommend him for a student volunteer grant at ICSE 2012.

Sincerely yours,
Paris Avgeriou