Slovenian Crystallographic Society

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To whom it may concern:

**Croatian Crystallographic Association**

**A Bid to host 29th European Crystallographic Meeting ECM9 in 2015**

Slovenian crystallographers strongly support the **Croatian Crystallographic Association in its bid to host 29th European Crystallographic Meeting ECM29 in 2015 in the town Rovinj in Istria, Croatia.**

There are several reasons we are favour that the European crystallographers should support this bid. They are very active crystallographic society - we were gathered regularly at the annual meetings in the former Yugoslavia, but after the desintegration of Yugoslavia, Croatian and Slovenian crystallographers have been meeting regularly each year after 1992. This year we had a very successful jubilee meeting - 20th Croatian-Slovenian Crystallographic Meeting in Baška at the Adriatic croatian island of Krk. Croatian crystallographers participated very much that the science of crystallography is well known across the world - there are several well known Croatian crystallographers working abroad. At this stage we shall also mention the great contribution of Acad. Profs. Boris Kamenar and Drago Grdenič who were very active in ECC and IUCr. Prof. B. Kamenar was also chairing the ECC.

We are in no doubts that the location of the meeting (Rovinj) is well suited for the meeting with all necessary facilities and equipments. We all are also sure that in 2015 the state Croatia will be a member of the European Union.

With these arguments we support the bid of Croatia to host 29th European Crystallographic Meeting.

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