

(INCOSE LETTERHEAD)

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Troy Peterson
INCOSE Asst. Director for Transformation

cc: SP4SE Project Team

Dear Troy,

This letter confirms INCOSE's agreement to the following aspects of transition of an existing (Exhibit 1) Semantic Patterns for Systems Engineering (SP4SE) project collaboration to a continuing project through the INCOSE MBSE Patterns Working Group, under which it is agreed with the existing project team members that:

- a. Under existing INCOSE policies for Technical Product Plans and Author IP Release for Publication, selected assets developed by the project are eligible for potential release through INCOSE;
- b. INCOSE may add brand or other derived work packaging, and will include attribution to original authors;
- c. Per requirement of the existing project team, INCOSE will gain and hold ownership of a copyright to such derived assets through Creative Commons licenses substantially equivalent to Exhibit 5;
- d. INCOSE may, on a non-exclusive basis, distribute those assets to its membership or others;
- e. Per requirement of the existing project team, INCOSE will not levy a charge on users of the assets.

Additional background, specific objectives, and intended outcomes of the SP4SE Project are listed in Exhibit 1.

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Sincerely,

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL ON SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (INCOSE)

Garry Roedler, President

David Endler, Director of Technical Operations

Exhibits:

- **Exhibit 1: INCOSE Patterns Working Group SP4SE Project Charter**
- **Exhibit 2: Flowchart—Asset Publication Administrative Aspects**
- **Exhibit 3: INCOSE Author IP Agreement for SP4SE Technical Products**
- **Exhibit 4: INCOSE Technical Product Plan (TPP) for SP4SE Technical Products**
- **Exhibit 5: Creative Commons CC BY-4.0 License**