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To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to confirm that Nikolaos Kyparissas from Technical University of Crete participated in the Xilinx Open Hardware design competition 2018 with his project: "A Parallel Framework for Simulating Cellular Automata on FPGA Logic".

There were almost 100 entries to the competition. This entry reached the final round of judging, and placed in the top 5 in the *Student* category.

I would like to congratulate Nikolaos on his participation, and on this significant achievement.

Please contact me if any further information is required.

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