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To Whom It May Concern:

Recommendation letter for Professor Ruben Tikidji-Hamburyan.

Dear Sir/Madam,

As the Rector (President) of National Technical University of Ukraine 'Kyiv Polytechnic Institute (NTUU KPI), I am extremely pleased to write this letter of recommendation in strong support of Dr. Ruben Tikidji-Hamburyan for faculty or Professor position.

Let me first give you a brief description of my University and the significant role played by Dr. Ruben Tikidji-Hamburyan thus far. NTUU KPI is one of the oldest and largest technical Universities in Europe. Since its foundation in 1898, NTUU KPI has been one of the leaders in both Scientific and Technological research. It is considered as the top-ranked university in Ukraine which has also been widely recognized all around the World. NTUU KPI is a community consisting of around 40,500 domestic students, 1,500 foreign students and several hundred faculty Professors and staff. It is important to note that the foundation for the University's fame and glory was laid by the well known scientists and engineers such as Prof. D. Mendeleyev, Dr. I. Sikorski, S. Korolev, Prof. S. Timoshenko, and many others.

In 2006, the Summer school entitled "Achievements and Applications of Contemporary Informatics, Mathematics and Physics" (AACIMP) was organized by the Student Science Association of NTUU KPI. Dr. Ruben Tikidji-Hamburyan was invited to deliver lectures in our first Summer school because of his reputation among Russian researchers in the field of Computational Neuroscience and biological plausible modeling. For the last six years, Dr. Ruben Tikidji -Hamburyan has been significantly contributing to this project as a lecturer of AACIMP providing up-to-date courses for the Summer school students. Twice in 2006 and in 2010 he was selected as the best lecturer by the students of the Summer course. Moreover, this year (2011) he organized a new stream "Neuroscience" and invited leading researchers from all over the world (for example: Prof. John Rinzel, NYU, USA; Prof. Witali L. Dunin-Barkowski, Russian Academy of Science, Moscow, Russia; Dr. Tetiana Aksenova, CEA, Grenoble, France and many others). Ruben's wide knowledge and rich experience in the field of Neuroscience as well as his deep understanding of the teaching process was the logic behind organizing the Neuroscience stream. He created a smooth transition from formal mathematical definitions to real biology and back. The stream consisted of 46 hours of lectures, practical activity and discussion on "Open Questions in Neuroscience". Through, Dr. Ruben Tikidji-Hamburyan's dedicated efforts the Neuroscience stream became one of the strongest points in the past Summer school. 27 students from Russia, Ukraine, USA, Iran, Poland, Germany and other countries participated in it.

As the Rector of NTUU KPI and on behalf of the Summer school organizing committee, I once again strongly recommend Dr. Ruben Tikidji-Hamburyan to be considered as the most suitable candidate for the vacancy of a faculty position. Based on my vast experience and knowledge I will not be wrong if I mention that Ruben has arisen to the level equal to full Professor in any well recognized University in the World. Ruben Tikidji-Hamburyan is known to be an outstanding Professor able to provide students with a wide range of knowledge and skills, organize study process and systematically improve the quality of teaching.

Please find an additional information about NTUU KPI and AACIMP on our websites: <http://inter.kpi.ua> and <http://summerschool.ssa.org.ua> respectively. Let me know if you have any other questions.

Yours sincerely,  
the Rector of NTUU KPI,  
Professor Michael Zgurovsky

