Reviewer's report

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This second version looks better. The letter explains quite well the changes that have been made.

At this time, the paper is almost ready for publication.

What this reviewer do not like, again, are two issues:

- The case study, at the beginning, looks more like a "a priori" justification for the system. The best case studies are used later, for systems's evaluation. This justification looks ad-hoc, too ideal and for this reviewer it does not add anything to the paper, only questions.

- The design objectives are also quite circumstancial and address concrete topics. The design objectives could be more scientific and generic, addressing the different problems that appear from a scientific or technological perspective in all the topics that the system try to solve, not quite concrete cases.

Anyway, these comments are quite personal, and do not affect the quality of the paper. They can be used or not.