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Object: Letter of support for UNESCO Chair

Bioversity International is a global research-for-development organization. We have a vision – that agricultural biodiversity nourishes people and sustains the planet. We deliver scientific evidence, management practices and policy options to use and safeguard agricultural and tree biodiversity to attain sustainable global food and nutrition security. We work with partners in low-income countries in different regions where agricultural and tree biodiversity can contribute to improved nutrition, resilience, productivity and climate change adaptation.

In this regards, Bioversity is delighted to support the bid of Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti (ABUAD) for a UNESCO chair and subsequent grant opportunity via the UNESCO chair. We are eager to collaborate with ABUAD to share our experiences gained over the years through our various international research and training within the framework of institutional cooperation and partnership.

Bioversity whishes more collaboration in the agricultural area with ABUAD and ABUAD Farm, particularly in the specific domains of the UNESCO Chairs as is being applied for, and other areas of similar interests in order to achieve all the aims and objectives of the existing partnership between our two institutions.

With best regards

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