

September 6th, 2013

Dr. Kevin GovenderOffice of Astronomy for Development International Astronomical Union (IAU)

Dear Dr. Govender,

The purpose of this letter is to express our commitment to continue working towards the establishment of the Andean Regional Node.

Since February of this year we started supporting the creation of the node by consolidating the survey of activities conducted in Venezuela, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, Chile and Colombia to promote education in astronomy for children and schools (Task Force 2).

Parque Explora has devoted 1/3 of the work schedule of Luz Angela Cubides, Coordinator of Astronomy from the Planetarium of Medellín, to structure the TF2 activities included in the current proposal.

We want to continue supporting this remarkable effort as a stepping-stone to strengthen the education and outreach in astronomy from a regional perspective.

Yours truly,

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