

Dear Dr. Govender,  
Office of Astronomy for Development  
International Astronomical Union

The purpose of this letter is to express the interest of the Department of Physics of the Escuela Politécnica Nacional in Ecuador on joining and supporting the Andean Regional Office of Astronomy for Development.

Our participation will be materialized in the support of the following projects mentioned in the proposal

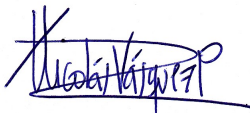
- First Andean School of Astronomy and Astrophysics as leaders.
- Exploration Working Group in Astroparticle Physics as support
- Exploration Working Group in Radioastronomy as support.
- Massive Open Online Courses
- Andean Graduate Program
- Annual TF2 meeting
- Development for planetariums

Additionally, we will be collaborating with the following outreach institutions in Ecuador that will also join the Andean ROAD:

- Planetario del Instituto Geográfico Militar del Ecuador
- Planetario de la Armada del Ecuador

We have also agreed to designate Nicolás Vásquez as a representative of our institution in all the committees associated with the organization and communication activities inside the Andean ROAD.

Sincerely,



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