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Dear Sirs:

I am applying for the Summer School CDDIP 2011. I have been told about this school by my teacher Prof. João Miguel Fernandes, Universidade of Minho, and by colleagues of mine who have attended previous editions.

I am very interested in the opportunity presented by this school, as I consider entrepreneurship and innovation as key aspects to a successful career. My degree in Software Engineering has granted me the technical skills to develop software products according to the best practices and standards, and also the needed soft skills which make me a valuable asset on a team.

I am now on the last year of my MSc on Software Engineering, and I am currently writing my master thesis on the field of natural language processing, entitled "Building a Corpora-Flow System". Additionally, I am attending classes from the Bioinformatics MSc, motivated by the possibilities and challenges that such a new area presents. You can find more detailed information on my academic background on my enclosed CV.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to speaking with you about this opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

André Santos