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RFP300375 Research Specialist

Dear Hiring Team,

I am pleased to submit my application for the position of Research Specialist (Reference No. RFP300375) with the Crops for Nutrition and Health Program at the Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT. I am enthusiastic about contributing to initiatives that advance food security, agricultural biodiversity, and sustainable food systems in Latin America.

As a Crop/Weed Scientist with over a decade of international experience, I have worked extensively on digital agriculture initiatives, including field phenotyping, drone-based image acquisition, and data management projects. In collaboration with interdisciplinary teams, I have contributed to developing and applying image annotation and analysis protocols in large-scale agricultural experiments. Although my main expertise lies in crop science and digital agronomy rather than microbiological research, I am keen to broaden my skills and contribute to collaborative research that links field-based data with laboratory insights.

My work consistently integrates applied research, field data curation, and training development for local partners, aligning closely with the Alliance's goals. Additionally, I have experience supporting scientific publications and funding proposals, and am deeply committed to research that supports inclusive innovation in developing regions.

Joining the Alliance represents a unique opportunity to combine my passion for sustainable agriculture, digital tools for crop research, and capacity building with a mission-driven organization. I am eager to grow professionally while contributing to the Alliance's impactful work across Latin America and beyond.

Thank you for considering my application. I would be delighted to discuss how my skills and

motivation align with the Crops for Nutrition and Health Program's objectives.

Best regards,

Maxwel Coura Oliveira, PhD