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To whom it may concern:

This is to certify that the Metapopulation Research Group at the University of Helsinki, Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences, is prepared to support IBISCA in the future. As we see it, the IBISCA initiative offers a novel perspective on some of the richest biomes on Earth. Our support will primarily consist of expert input in matters of analysis and interpretation.

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