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Letter of support for the proposal submitted to the European Science Foundation and entitled 'IBISCA 2007-2011: Towards a Census of Tropical Rainforest Life (CTRL)'

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to confirm the support of Pro-Natura International (PNI) to the Census of CTRL Programme related to the IBISCA project.

The IBISCA-Panama project was an initiative of the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute and of PNI. In the forthcoming years we intend to continue our support to similar projects. In particular, the new canopy access device, called the Canopy-Glider, and owned by PNI could contribute to efficiently survey rainforest canopies.

It is our understanding that an international network of Biodiversity experts is urgently needed to properly study and monitor the Biodiversity of tropical rainforests, especially in the current context of climate change and rapid Biodiversity loss.

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