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Dear Prof. Jerónimo,

The National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research (ESSO-NCAOR), Goa, is one of the premier research institutes of the Ministry of Earth Sciences, which is catering to research programmes pertaining to the Polar Regions and the Southern Ocean. The Centre has launched several scientific expeditions to Antarctica, Arctic and the Southern Ocean and has recently started scientific expeditions to the Himalaya, aptly termed as the Third Pole. Over the past few years, the MoES-NCAOR has achieved significant achievements in different research fields and will continue to contribute significantly to Polar research. The Centre has successfully organised several international conferences such as the International Symposium on Antarctic Earth Sciences (XII-ISAES) in July 2015, and is all geared up to host the COMNAP meeting in Goa later this year.

One of the most coveted meetings of the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR) is the SCAR Biennial Conference that is held every two years. This is a conference which brings together a large number of scientists from different parts of the world under one roof giving rise to important scientific discussions, and new partnerships are forged for the betterment of Antarctic research. In this context, I am happy to express our interest in organising the XXXVII SCAR Biennial Conference in India during 2022. I assure you of our full support for the successful organization of the SCAR Conference in 2022.

Kindly let me know if any more details are to be furnished from our side to strengthen our Expression of Interest in organising the XXXVII SCAR Biennial Conference in 2022.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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Prof Jerónimo López-Martínez
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