

February 4, 2015

Re: Letter of Support for Academic Training – Brazil Scientific Mobility Program

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter supports the application of Joao Mario Correa Matos to engage in Academic Training (e.g. internship, co-op, observership or practicum), paid or unpaid, that directly relates to his or her field of study during the summer of 2015 (roughly May-August) in the United States. This letter further confirms that your organization will not need to provide visa sponsorship, work authorization, or health insurance coverage to the student during the Academic Training opportunity as these are benefits of the scholarship program.

Joao Mario Correa Matos is a participant in the new Brazil Scientific Mobility Program (more information is available at <http://www.iie.org/bsmp>) and is presently in the United States under the auspices of the government of Brazil. The Institute of International Education (IIE) is the contractual administrative agency for this program in the U.S. and is authorized to provide work authorization to the student to legally engage in Academic Training at your organization while he or she is under IIE's visa sponsorship and maintains satisfactory academic performance.

Upon receiving a written offer from your organization, Joao Mario Correa Matos will complete the steps necessary to remain in legal compliance directly with IIE. IIE will issue a formal Work Authorization letter directly to the student to present to you. No action needs to be taken by your organization related to this student's visa sponsorship or legal status. IIE will handle the required notifications. No further authorization from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will be necessary.

Should you require further information regarding the legal status of this student and his or her eligibility to engage in Academic Training activities with your organization, please feel free to contact us directly.

Thank you for your consideration of Joao Mario Correa Matos.

Sincerely,



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