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Dear Mr Di Benedetto,

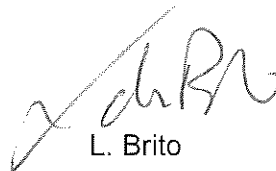
Thank you for sharing the project proposal on *Higher Education and Research Programme on Sustainable Development in the Mediterranean Region* that my colleagues and I have studied with great interest.

I am pleased to inform you that the Division of Science Policy and Capacity-Building in UNESCO supports the development of this project as it contributes to achieving sustainable development and promoting a triangular North-South-South cooperation in the Mediterranean Region, by involving higher educational institutions notably in science-related fields such as environment, water, health, food security etc.

To ensure the continuity and the follow-up of the outcomes of the International Conference "Beyond North-South: For a Sustainable Development and a new Mediterranean Renaissance", held in November 2011 in Torino, I would like to invite you to involve in the implementation of the Mediterranean network the University of Torino and other universities working in the above-mentioned areas.

I wish you a successful implementation of the project and look forward to hearing of its outcome.

Yours sincerely,



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