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For Biblioteca Vasconcelos would be a great honor to host Wikimania in 2015, if Mexico City is chosen for host the Wikimedia international conference. We are sure what we have the human and professional capacity for that purpose.

Located in the center of Mexico City, Biblioteca Vasconcelos is one of the largest public libraries in Latin America, part of the Consejo Nacional de la Cultura y las Artes, the main federal council of arts and culture of Mexico. Biblioteca Vasconcelos is conceived for the development and welfare for Mexican society. As a public library is committed to boost their informational, educational and cultural functions, and being a place for leisure and recreation. In that sense, as a space for the free access to knowledge and where their visitors are not only consumers but as co-creators of their own knowledge, Vasconcelos Library feels a strong empathy with the Wikimedia movement mission.

Their building, about 45,000 square meters, is considered one of the great landmarks of modern architecture. Vasconcelos Library received in 2013 about 1,900,000 visitors. It have an auditorium for 500 people, a big ballroom for 2000 persons, multipurpose rooms and parking for 365 vehicles. Surrounded by magnificent gardens that can be used for the event (26,000 square meters with 59,000 specimens of 168 species), all in a comfortable and contemporary designed venue shaped by world-known architect Alberto Kalach. The library is closer 100 meters to a Mexico City metro station, several lines of Bus, a big mall with all the required commercial services and a big commuter rail station.

The Mexico City International Airport is very well connected to the venue. In sum, we have all the spaces and human resources needed for host Wikimania and the trust in Wikimedia Mexico local chapter for fulfill this commitment.

Mexico City is the most visited destination in one of the preferred countries by tourists in the world, having the 13th global place. Only in 2013 Mexico was visited by 23 millions of foreigners and is the most visited destination for Latin American countries. Mexico City have thousands of hotel rooms and a world class tourism infrastructure, plus their strong and relatively cheap flight connections from United States and several countries of Western Europe.

Biblioteca Vasconcelos will be honoured as the venue for the Wikimedia international conference, in a spirit of knowledge, freedom and hospitality in a country and in a city with a strong cultural tradition.

Sincerely yours



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