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Dear Wikimania 2015 Bid Committee.

## BID TO HOST INTERNATIONAL WIKIMANIA CONFERENCE 2015

It gives me great pleasure to communicate to you my department's enthusiasm and support of Cape Town's bid to host the International Wikimania Conference 2015.

Hosting the International Wikimedia Conference 2014 in South Africa will boost Africa's participation, contribution and development in this very important field.

Cape Town is the top convention city in Africa and the Middle East, according to the ICCA (International Congress and Convention Association) global ranking. Numerous world-class international conferences, meetings, conventions and incentives are supported by first-class infrastructure and a tradition of commercial and hospitality excellence.

Cape Town is home to some of the world's most spectacular scenery and unique experiences, yet it is the diversity of its warm, welcoming people and the eclectic mix of cultures and traditions that make our city an inspired choice for hosting an event of this magnitude.

Cape Town looks forward to welcoming delegates of the **International Wikimania Conference 2015** and ensuring that the event is an unqualified success.

Yours faithfully

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