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Statement

Over the past four years, I have been honored to serve on the IIF Board of Directors as the only representative from Latin America and a developing country. As Secretary, I have supported the Institute's governance, ensured effective communication, and contributed to key initiatives to enhance our outreach and operations. This position has allowed me to engage directly with the IIF's mission and collaborate with my esteemed colleagues to strengthen our community.

In 2020, I had the privilege of serving as the Local Chair for the ISF Virtual Edition, an experience highlighting our forecasting community's adaptability and resilience. Since joining the IIF in 2010, I have participated in every ISF edition, building strong relationships. In 2017, I was awarded the IIF-SAS Grant to Promote Research on Forecasting, and since 2022, I have been teaching forecasting-related courses at PUC-Rio certified under the IIF Student Awards program. These experiences have solidified my connection with the IIF and my commitment to its mission.

Looking ahead, I am committed to expanding the IIF's presence in Latin America and other underrepresented regions by encouraging broader participation and fostering a more inclusive global community. I also aim to bridge the gap between academia and industry, leveraging my experience in R&D projects to address practical challenges. Furthermore, I will continue to empower students and early-career professionals through initiatives such as mentorship programs and grants, helping to inspire and develop the next generation of forecasters.

The IIF has been an integral part of my professional journey, and I am deeply grateful for the opportunities it has provided me over the past 15 years. I am seeking re-election for a second term, eager to continue contributing to the Institute's success and advancing its goals.

Thank you for your consideration.

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