



Asociación Civil Criadores de Búfalos de Venezuela "CRIABÚFALOS"

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To:
International Buffalo Federation (IBF)
Via Salary 31 – 00015
Monterotondo, Rome, Italy
Professor Dr. Antonio Borghese - General Secretary IBF

Respected Professor Borghese and honored members of IBF, with all pleasure, receive a pleasant greeting from Venezuela on behalf of our community, all gathered around water buffalo constituted by academicians, scientists, and the Venezuelan Buffalo's Breeders Association (CRIABUFALOS).

On this occasion, we are pleased to address you to postulate our country for hosting the 13th World Buffalo Congress in 2023. We strongly believe Venezuela meets the conditions not only for such a great and prestigious event organization but likewise to warrant its success. We are confident that if Venezuela could have the honor and privilege of being chosen, it will be a great stimulus to keep strengthening and developing buffalo production across the country and the Americas. Our common region is eager to receive, exchange, and promote knowledge, ideas, advances, and new technologies about water buffalo management, development, production, and industry, implying an incredible milestone for the growth, buildup, and water buffalo impact on our society.

For the congress organization, we are joining efforts from the Venezuelan Buffalo's Breeders Association (CRIABUFALOS), three recognized universities (LUZ, UCV, UNESUR), the Ministry of Agriculture and Land, and the Venezuelan Institutes of the Milk (INVELECAR) and Meat (CONVECAR), besides established companies in both the meat and dairy industry, with more than 200 associate members and with the direct participation of the 17 member countries of the American Federation of Buffalo Breeders. We propose as the venue for the event the five stars Hotel Tamanaco, located in the capital and heart of the country, Caracas, a modern and thriving metropolis with 3.5 million inhabitants and Venezuela's largest conventions and five-star hotel accommodations city, enriched with many restaurants to satisfy all gastronomy tastes, which also concentrates the most significant consumption of products derived from Buffalo farming.

Our preparatory program for the WBC2023 to be held in Caracas, Venezuela, during 15-17 November 2023, encloses a complete plan combining academia, scientific exchange, business and industry arena, and the organization of a Buffalo show in one place. The agenda includes a pre-conference workshop (November 14th), the central congress meeting (November 15th, 16th, and 17th), simultaneously scientific poster presentations, areas for commercial stands, and animal exhibitions with the participation of more than 100 elites specimens of high genetic value coming from the leading buffalo farms in the country, and buffalo auction, followed by the usual Buffalo tour (November 18th to 22nd) to those interested in knowing our buffalo production's systems. We would be delighted to host you to visit our tropical paradisiac Caribbean and South American land to meet our people, exchange culture, and simultaneously witness buffalos' farming activities in one of America's most engaged countries with water buffalo production and development.

In advance, we appreciate your consideration and look forward with enthusiasm and optimism to the answer to this proposal,

Sincerely yours,

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