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To the Forum for Global Studies - New Delhi

Dear Dr. Sandeep Tripathi - President

The GEBRICS - USP is a Research Group registered under the Brazilian Government Coordination for Universities - CAPES (Ministry of Education). Despite our rather recent founding, we are a very passionate research group and have achieved considerable goals during our activities, partnering with institutions and governments all over the BRICS countries. We have hosted authorities such as the former Brazilian Minister of Foreign Affairs, the South African Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Indian Ambassador in Brazil and all the General Consulates from the BRICS countries based in São Paulo. Our group is led by Professor Paulo Borba Casella, the Head of International Law at Universidade de São Paulo, the biggest University in Brazil and the lusophony and one of the leading universities in Latin America.

Every year we organise a BRICS conference and this year the 5th BRICS Conference will take place in October, through virtual meetings. This year, GEBRICS has partnered with different institutions, CIArb (Brazil Branch), Lide China, Sabya (South Africa), Ibrachina and BRICS YEA (Russia). As a member of the Organising Committee for the 5th BRICS Conference at the Universidade de São Paulo, I would like to invite the Forum for Global Studies to be a partner institution in the Conference, considering the profound links between FGS and this year's Conference, with many FGS members speaking on different panels.

Kind Regards

Professor Cássio Eduardo Zen Organising Committee - V São Paulo University BRICS Conference