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Dear Mr Packer,

Thank you for your letter of 27 March last, by which you request UNESCO's support for an event celebrating the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Scientific Electronic Library Online (SciELO) that will take place in Sao Paulo from 22 to 25 October 2013.

UNESCO is pleased to acknowledge that SciELO is one of its most important partners in the area of promoting open access to scientific knowledge, and congratulates it on this anniversary.

Given the importance of the Open Access initiative for promoting knowledge societies, I am pleased to offer UNESCO's patronage to the event, and hereby authorize the use of the Organization's logo on its communication materials, in line with the enclosed General Conditions.

I congratulate SciELO's commitment to promoting the use of ICTs, as well as open access to scientific information, and look forward to continuing to build a progressive partnership.

Yours sincerely,

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