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Dear Dr. Pari:

The Philippine country representative who attended the GBEP's 3<sup>rd</sup> Bioenergy Week in Medan, Indonesia was so impressed with your presentation during the event and reported that you and your institution are engaged in the design and development of farm machinery and equipment.

The Philippine sugarcane industry is geared towards mechanizing our sugarcane plantations not only the land preparation aspect but the harvesting, cutting, loading and detrashing (biomass collection) of our cane fields as well. Mechanizing these farm activities will improve logistics, minimize post harvest losses and address our problem on labor shortage.

We are aware that one of the main agenda of the Global Bioenergy Partnership (GBEP) is technical cooperation. In this aspect, may we invite you to visit our sugarcane plantations in the Philippines and talk with our local experts on how we can cooperate for the local design of the above-mentioned farm machineries and equipment. I also hope that your travel would be made possible through the benevolence of the Italian government.

You can get in touch with Rosemarie S. Gumera, our country representative to the GBEP, on any arrangements you may need from our end.

Thank you very much and looking forward on your visit to the Philippines.

Sincerely yours,

MA. REGINA BAUTISTA-MARTIN

Administrator