

Dear Members of the Cumulus Association,

I am pleased to express my strong support for Professor João Bonelli's candidacy for the Cumulus Executive Board for the 2025–2028 term.

Professor Bonelli is a distinguished Brazilian Designer, Educator, and Researcher at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio). I have witnessed firsthand his dedication to Cumulus Association and his commitment to fostering global collaboration and advancing design education.

PUC-Rio has played an important role in shaping the international discourse on design education in South America, being the first university in the continent to establish Master's and Doctoral programs in design. As a key member of Cumulus, the institution has been instrumental in bridging regional and global perspectives within the design community.

Professor Bonelli's leadership and deep commitment to cross-cultural exchange make him an ideal candidate for this position. His efforts to connect Brazilian and South American universities with the broader Cumulus network will be invaluable in strengthening international partnerships and enriching the association's global reach.

I highly recommend Professor João Bonelli for the Cumulus Executive Board. His expertise, vision, and passion for design education will be a tremendous asset to the organization. Please feel free to contact me should you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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