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Dear Prof. Heider,

It is a pleasure for me to express my willingness and strong interest in establishing a cooperative relation between the Institute of Philosophy of the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile and the Research Group for the Study of Post-medieval Scholasticism of the Institute of Philosophy of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic.

The Scholastic philosophy of the XVI<sup>th</sup> to XVIII<sup>th</sup> centuries is a common cultural heritage of our two countries, the Czech Republic and Chile. Nowadays we also share an interest in exploring that philosophical tradition and in actualizing its proposals in dialogue with current philosophical debates. There is a group of researchers and students at the Institute of Philosophy of the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile studying that tradition as is present in authors such as the Spanish Francisco Suárez and Domingo de Soto, but also Latin American philosophers of the colonial period, like Alonso Briceño and Miguel de Viñas. I can mention Professors Giannina Burlando, Mirko Skarica and myself. We consider that to strengthen the connection with the scholars of the Czech Republic would be very fruitful. So, we would appreciate very much that the institutions of both countries could support that.

With best wishes,



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