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**Subject:** Re: Invitation to Speak at CROPS 2015 - 2nd Reply Request  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 02, 2014 6:39:18 PM

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Yes.  
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> On Dec 2, 2014, at 10:05 AM, Deborah Powell <dpowell@hudsonalpha.org> wrote:

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> In order to respond to Ana Caicedo's question about timing for the talk, would this fit into the Evolution Selection session on Tuesday at 1:00 PM? Ana's topic is Domestication and Selection/Evolutionary genomics.

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> Thanks,  
> Deborah

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> Begin forwarded message:

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>> From: Ana Caicedo <caicedo@bio.umass.edu>

>> Subject: Re: Invitation to Speak at CROPS 2015 - 2nd Reply Request

>> Date: December 1, 2014 9:43:17 PM CST

>> To: Deborah Powell <dpowell@hudsonalpha.org>

>> Cc: Jeremy Schmutz <jschmutz@hudsonalpha.org>, Scott Allen Jackson <sjackson@uga.edu>, Peggy Ozias-Akins <pozias@uga.edu>

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>> Dear Deborah,

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>> So sorry for my delay in replying. I'm participating in another conference whose dates overlap partially with this one, and also have a young baby at home, so had been trying to figure out if I could make this work. Do you have any idea yet of the dates in which given talks will be held?

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>> Thanks,

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>> Ana

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>> On 12/1/14, 5:10 PM, Deborah Powell wrote:

>>> Dear Dr. Caicedo,

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>>> Will you be able to accept our invitation to speak at the CROPS 2015

>>> conference May 18-21, 2015 in Huntsville, Alabama?

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>>> Thanks,

>>> Deborah

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>>> Deborah Powell | Conference Manager \*

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>>> On Nov 18, 2014, at 1:45 PM, Deborah Powell wrote:

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>>>> Dear Dr. Caicedo,

>>>> On behalf of the scientific organizing committee for The University of  
>>>> Georgia/HudsonAlpha 2015 CROPS Genomics Enabled Crop Breeding &  
>>>> Improvement conference, we would like to invite you to be a speaker at  
>>>> the 2015 CROPS event.

>>>> This international conference is planned for Monday, May 18- 21, 2015  
>>>> and will be held on the HudsonAlpha biotechnology campus in  
>>>> Huntsville, Alabama. We expect an estimated 300 attendees at the event.  
>>>> The committee believes strongly that you are one of the leading  
>>>> researchers in emerging genomic technologies and their application to  
>>>> crop improvement and that your talk will be a compelling example of  
>>>> applying new genomic technology to crop improvement.

>>>> The CROPS program will feature presentations on topics including:  
>>>> Integrated breeding platforms, large scale GWAS, applications, genomic  
>>>> selection strategies, systems biology approaches, identifying markers  
>>>> for breeding, functional validation of targets, applications to  
>>>> developing world germplasm, high throughput phenotyping, and targeted  
>>>> genome modification.

>>>> While we know there are many competing demands on your time, we hope  
>>>> you will seriously consider making room for this important event in  
>>>> your busy schedule this spring. A copy of the tentative conference  
>>>> agenda is attached along with some information about HudsonAlpha and  
>>>> the city of Huntsville, Alabama.

>>>> HudsonAlpha will cover your round-trip airfare, and travel expenses  
>>>> for this event. We would be most grateful if you could reply with your  
>>>> acceptance by Tuesday, November 25, 2014.

>>>> Sincerely,

>>>> Deborah Powell

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