

Thank you for agreeing to write a reference for an applicant to the residency program at the Rockefeller Foundation's Center in Bellagio, Italy.

Through conferences and residencies, the Bellagio Center brings together people of diverse expertise and backgrounds in a thought-provoking and collaborative environment to promote innovation and impact on a wide range of global issues. Residencies, typically of one-month in duration, allow for disciplined work and collaborative action, uninterrupted by the usual professional and personal demands. Residency participants include scholars, scientists, artists, journalists, writers, non-governmental organization practitioners and policymakers from around the world.

Your evaluation will be highly useful to the interdisciplinary Bellagio Committee at the Rockefeller Foundation that reviews proposals for Bellagio. We would appreciate your comments on the following points:

- the quality of the proposed project
- how innovative the project is and how likely it is to have broad impact or influence
- the professional qualifications and achievements of the applicant
- the feasibility of completing the proposed activity during a one-month stay at the Bellagio Center
- personal qualities that are likely to make an applicant a contributing member of an international, interdisciplinary community

Your reply, of course, will be kept confidential.

Information on the Bellagio Center program and application procedures can be found on our website, <http://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/bellagio-center>.

The Rockefeller Foundation's Bellagio Committee will consider this application at their next meeting. Once the applicant submits the proposal, you will receive an email reminder, and at that point, your reference will be due within two weeks. An e-mail response is preferred, with no need to send a hard copy. Your comments should be sent to [Bellagio_res@iie.org](mailto:bellagio_res@iie.org).

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

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Rob Garris
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