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Dear Participant,

We welcome you to join us during today's Archetype experiment. During this experiment we will test both you and the functionality of your chosen archetype to evaluate whether they can contribute to the collections of the Museum of Lost Ecologies.

You have selected the 'Botanist' archetype. With this letter you will find an instruction enclosed for the collecting practice. Here is a rundown of your role, responsibilities, and skillset:

'We are here with the living in the various environments of loosen ecologies. We try to understand the notion of how plants grow, are and could be to know how to become with them and plant them in the not so far future(s) when they possibly will not be anymore. We are interested in connected urgencies of living/non-living, organic/inorganic, human/non-human. We are constantly questioning. What sound does a bee make while flying around the meadow filled with plans? How does a raindrop feel on water yearning leaves?'

We are curious. We collect samples of plants, we sketch and make photos of them, we write to possibly answer all of our curiosities or at least, if nothing else, gather more curiosities which will wait to be answered from many angles.

Program of today's experiment:

- (Un)Becoming practice
- Collecting evaluation
- (Un)Becoming practice

After we have conducted this experiment, there will be ample time to discuss your experience and give feedback for past/present/future improvements. We look forward to having you on our team.

Yours faithfully,

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