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Meeting, held this year in La Romana, Dominican Republic.

Jun. 12, 2018

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their degrees, and an interview with MLA members and the firm's Human Resources department. Batista was among five honor students reviewed by MLA, with a 3.87 grade point average and a strong desire to excel in her future career.

Since its inception in 2012, BKR's scholarship program has awarded more than \$80,000 to 29 students in 13 countries. Scholarship recipients are nominated by BKR member firms in each of three designated regions, and must then be approved by the Worldwide Board.

"We are very proud to nominate a student to receive BKR International's scholarship award and support the educational goals of students in the Dominican Republic," said Raymi J. Mejia, MLA partner who also attended INTEC. Mejia is a BKR Americas Region Board member and helped establish the Association of CPA Firms Dominican Republic (AFCPARD) in 2012.

"This is a unique way in which BKR International gives back to the profession," said Karen Brenneman, BKR's Americas Region chair and managing partner at member firm Hall, Kistler & Company, LLP in Canton, Ohio. "We want to encourage future accountants around the world who will become our profession's future leaders."

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