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**(IACD)**

**MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD** OEA/Ser.W/XX.2

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DECISIONS OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD

(Adopted at the meeting of March 23, 2022)

The meeting of the Management Board of the Inter-American Agency for Cooperation and Development (IACD) was held virtually on March 23, 2022.

Participants:

The meeting was attended by the following members of the Management Board:

Karla de Palma, Director General of the El Salvador Agency for International Cooperation (ESCO), Chair of the Management Board

Members of the Management Board

* Daniela Rey, General Directorate for International Cooperation, Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs
* Felipe Aravena, Alternate Representative of Chile
* German Enrique Herrera Tooza, Alternate Representative of Colombia
* Ambassador Agustín Vásquez, Permanent Representative of El Salvador
* Julianna Aynes-Neville, Alternate Representative of the United States
* Melixa Martínez, Director General of International Cooperation of Honduras
* María Elena Alcaraz, Coordinator of International Forums for Development Cooperation, AMEXCID
* Virna Ruíz Taipe, Alternate Representative of Peru
* Ambassador Lou-Anne Gilchrist, Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Also in attendance were Kim Osborne, Executive Secretary for Integral Development; and the delegations of Argentina, Brazil, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Grenada, Guatemala, Haiti, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela as observers. Cooperation authorities from the member states also attended, including representatives from Argentina, Belize, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Mexico, Panama, and Uruguay.

The meeting began with the approval of the draft order of business, document AICD/JD/OD-66/22 – [Español](http://scm.oas.org/IDMS/Redirectpage.aspx?class=AICD/JD/od&classNum=66&lang=s) | [English](http://scm.oas.org/IDMS/Redirectpage.aspx?class=AICD/JD/od&classNum=66&lang=e)

1. Nomination of candidates to serve as Vice Chair of the IACD Management Board

In addressing this point, the Chair noted that as a result of the resignation of Vice Chair Christina E. Bruff last February and in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, an election of a Vice Chair of the Management Board for the remainder of the 2021-2022 term was to take place within sixty days of the official communication of the Vice Chair’s permanent absence.

At the same time, in consideration of the volume of pending work and the candidacy presented by the Permanent Mission of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, the Chair consulted the members of the Management Board regarding the possibility of electing the Vice Chair at this meeting.

Accordingly, the Management Board resolved as follows:

Decision No. 1: To elect the Permanent Mission of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, represented by its, Minister Counselor/Deputy Permanent Representative and Alternate Representative, Omari Seitu Williams, as Vice Chair of the Management Board for the 2021-2022 period.

1. Presentation and consideration of the proposed schedule of activities of the IACD Management Board for the 2021-2022 period

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At this point the Chair submitted a proposed schedule of activities for the 2021-2022 period for the consideration of the Management Board’s members. The proposed document contains guidance for following up on the tasks entrusted to the Management Board, including the work emanating from the Third Specialized CIDI Meeting of High-level Cooperation Authorities. After clarifying various issues regarding the dates and activities proposed in the schedule, the Management Board resolved as follows:

Decision No. 2: To approve the Schedule of Activities of the IACD Management Board for the 2021–2022 period, in the understanding that the document may be adjusted to reflect emerging issues relating to Board procedures and activities.

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1. Third Specialized CIDI Meeting of High-level Cooperation Authorities:
2. Discussion on the results and follow-up of the Third Specialized CIDI Meeting of High-level Cooperation Authorities, held on December 2 and 3, 2021

Final Report (document CIDI/RECOOP-III/doc.8/22 rev. 1)

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1. Working Groups:
   * Election of Authorities for the three working groups
   * Discussion on proposed guidelines for the functioning of the working groups

Under this item of the order of business, the Chair reviewed the results of the Third Specialized CIDI Meeting of High-level Cooperation Authorities, held virtually on December 2 and 3, 2021, and attended by more than 230 representatives from 30 member states, including government ministers, high-level cooperation authorities, ambassadors, and other partners from different sectors.

At the meeting, more than 20 member states made concrete cooperation offers and identified needs where further assistance was required to recover from the socioeconomic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, 25 strategic partners—including representatives of observer states, international and regional organizations, philanthropic foundations, private companies, and academic institutions—outlined some of their priorities in the region and highlighted areas where there was potential for collaboration with OAS/SEDI.

Another important outcome of the meeting was the establishment of three working groups to ensure that the IACD’s future work has a more strategic vision in line with the countries’ needs. The topics assigned to those groups are: (1) the CIDI ministerial process and the role of the region’s cooperation authorities, (2) fundraising to support partnership for development activities within the framework of OAS/SEDI, and (3) role of the IACD in the international development cooperation landscape. The authorities elected to coordinate the working groups will be tasked with bringing together representatives of cooperation authorities to further examine the issues identified, facilitate exchanges of information, define a schedule of activities, provide regular updates, and report to the Management Board on findings and recommendations in an action plan.

In order for the working groups to begin functioning, the Chair identified the delegations that had expressed an interest in participating at the Third Specialized CIDI Meeting of High-level Cooperation Authorities and asked whether there were any other delegations interested in participating in the groups. Similarly, the Executive Secretary for Integral Development expressed the Secretariat’s willingness to send reminders to the delegations to ensure greater participation in the working groups.

Once the proposed members of the working groups had been identified, the Chair submitted, for the Management Board’s consideration, a proposed set of guidelines to orient and facilitate the work entrusted to the working groups. This document contains the methodology and procedures of the working groups, together with a number of issues for them to consider and develop.

At the end of the discussion on the results of the Third Specialized CIDI Meeting of High-level Cooperation Authorities and the next steps to be taken, the Management Board resolved as follows:

Decision No. 3: To welcome the offers made by the member states to coordinate and form part of the following working groups and, with the assistance of the Secretariat, to continue efforts to ensure greater participation in those groups.

* **Working Group 1** – **Updated model for the CIDI ministerial process and the role of the region’s cooperation authorities:**

Delegations: Uruguay (chair), Brazil (co-chair), Honduras

* **Working Group 2** – **Fundraising for partnership for development activities within the framework of OAS/SEDI:**

Delegations: Belize (chair), Guatemala

* **Working Group 3** – **Role of the IACD in the international development cooperation landscape:**

Delegations: Colombia (chair), Argentina (co-chair), Uruguay, Dominican Republic

Decision No. 4: To set September 30, 2022, as the deadline for the working groups to present their conclusions and recommendations to the IACD Management Board.

Decision No. 5: To approve the guidelines document for the IACD Management Board working groups developed at the Third Specialized CIDI Meeting of High-level Cooperation Authorities.

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At the conclusion of discussions on the last item of the order of business and having addressed other matters arising, the Chair thanked the participants and declared the session closed.

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