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WORK PLAN - WORKING GROUP 3

(Presented to the Management Board of the AICD at the meeting held on June 22, 2022)

*Position the IACD in the international development cooperation landscape*

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| *Specific Objective:* Execute actions to strengthen the working methods of the MB/IACD, both in the relationship with external actors and the Member States. | | |
| Action Steps | **Desired Outcome** | **Timeline for Implementation** |
| 1. Carry out a working pilot to articulate cooperation actions with the Ibero-American General Secretariat (SEGIB) and with the Common Market of the South (Mercosur). | SEGIB and Mercosur are two organizations with extensive experience and knowledge in Cooperation matters, which can contribute with knowledge and good practices to make the work of the IACD more efficient.  Given the above, it is expected that a pilot work plan will be established to establish bridges with these two organizations that will allow the transfer of knowledge to reinforce the role of the IACD. | Approaches with the areas responsible for the cooperation of these organizations are expected to be advanced during the second half of 2022 in such a way that there is a formalized link as of the first quarter of 2023. |
| 2. Establish precise guidelines that govern the approaches with other regional and international cooperation organizations | Multiple regional and international organizations have valuable experiences in managing the cooperation.  However, trying to establish links with all of them would involve unnecessary wear and tear, and it would be a better exercise to focus on those with whom there are greater possibilities of establishing significant alliances.  Given the preceding, it is hoped that a series of clear guidelines will be established, based on the needs presented by the States of the hemisphere and that respond to the ministerial principles that determine how and under what premises contact with other organizations on cooperation issues could or could not be advanced. | These guidelines must be built through the corresponding consultations with States and interested parties to be brought forward during the second half of 2022 so that a guidance document that includes them is presented in January 2023. |
| 3. Present shorter and more specific internal reports. | The current reports presented by the IACD are, although very complete, quite extensive, which makes it difficult for the Member States to extract the appropriate and relevant information that allows for strengthening actions in terms of cooperation among States.  Given the previous, it is expected to have summarized versions of the reports that are presented to the States and that they have relevant data in a more concise and usable manner for the benefit of the respective working groups of the States. | After the IACD's previous considerations and analysis on how to improve the reports, it is expected that from the last quarter of 2022, there will be a new publication of reports that follow the recommendations. |
| 4. Improve the visibility actions of the IACD for the general public | The current products published by the IACD are, although very complete, quite extensive, which makes them hostile to the non-expert reader who receives them, making it difficult for them to be widely disseminated to the public unfamiliar with the progress that exists in the actions of the IACD. Because of the previous information, graphics and other visual elements are expected to be incorporated to facilitate the visibility of the IACD's work among the general public and partners outside the OAS. | After the IACD's previous considerations and analysis on how to improve the products that do the work of the IACD visible, it is expected that from the last quarter of 2022, there will be new products that follow the proposed recommendations. |
| 5. Strengthen CooperaNet as a space for exchanging cooperation experiences and matching the offer with demand. | Many Cooperation opportunities are lost because there are no good ways in which Cooperation offerers and applicants can establish communication that allows them to make a good match. The space within the OEA framework that can facilitate this encounter between supply and demand is Cooperanet, but this mechanism still needs to be further developed.  Given the preceding, it is expected to carry out a socialization campaign of CooperaNet with the States so that they become aware of the space, and with their contributions, it will be strengthened to become the hemispheric tool par excellence for matching offers and demands of cooperation. | Although the Cooperanet strengthening construction exercise must be constant, it is expected that during the second half of 2022 strengthening and socialization activities will be carried out that will allow that in January 2023, all the cooperation authorities have included the information of all states on the platform. |
| NOTES: Defining the dependencies responsible for implementing the proposed actions and defining the methodologies to be implemented should be left to the IACD Management Board since it is the latter that has the most significant knowledge of the operation and mandates within the OAS. | | |

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