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DRAFT RESOLUTION

ADVANCING HEMISPHERIC INITIATIVES ON

INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT: PROMOTING RESILIENCE

(Agreed upon at the meeting held October 13, 2020. Operative paragraph 27 is ad referendum of the Delegation of the United States)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

REITERATING the importance of fostering integral development including building resilience, as one of the essential purposes of the Organization as contained in instruments of the inter-American system, such as the Charter of the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Democratic Charter, and the Social Charter of the Americas, as well as OAS mandates and the initiatives emanating from the Summits of the Americas;

AWARE that Member States of the Organization of American States have been significantly affected by the social, economic and environmental impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, including those who are more vulnerable to external shocks such as, small island and low-lying coastal developing states, and recognizing that those effects differ across populations in our hemisphere increasing the vulnerability of informal workers and those who have lost their sources of work, as well as vulnerable populations.

RECOGNIZING that the COVID-19 pandemic threatens global progress toward eradicating poverty, including extreme poverty, in all its forms and dimensions, which is an indispensable requirement for sustainable development.

MINDFUL that the pandemic reinforces the need for OAS member states to urgently design and implement policies, strategies and programs aimed at reducing their vulnerability and building their resilience to external shocks, including to the adverse effects of climate change[[1]](#footnote-1)/, consistent with their national and international obligations

RECOGNIZING that the health, social, economic, environmental and financial challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic impact the implementation of policies aimed at sustainable development and that some States require technical and financial support, where appropriate, extended by, inter alia, international financial and development institutions, taking into account the individual capacities and challenges of each country, to address this crisis and towards achieving stronger sustainable socio-economic and climate-resilient development;

RECALLING that the work of the Organization of American States (OAS) relating to the development pillar is governed by the Strategic Plan of the Organization for the 2016-2020 period [[AG/RES. 1 (LI-E/16 rev. 1)](http://scm.oas.org/IDMS/Redirectpage.aspx?class=AG/RES.%20%20(LI-E/16)&classNum=1&lang=e)] and the Compilation of the OAS 2019 Comprehensive Strategic Plan ([CP/doc.5469/19](http://scm.oas.org/IDMS/Redirectpage.aspx?class=CP/doc.&classNum=5469&lang=e) rev. 1), which are aligned with, and contribute to, the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as the general framework within which it acts;

EMBRACING the outcomes of the meetings of ministers and high-level authorities within the framework of Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) in the areas of education, culture, and energy as well as the sectoral processes on labor, ports, cooperation, science and technology, tourism, competitiveness, and micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises;

GIVING CONTINUITY to the provisions contained in resolution [AG/RES. 2939 (XLIX-O/19](http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/SPANISH/HIST_18/CIDIS00003S02.doc)), “Advancing Hemispheric Initiatives on Integral Development,” adopted by the General Assembly at its forty-ninth regular session;

TAKING NOTE of the progress made by the Secretariat within the framework of the Comprehensive Strategic Plan of the Organization for 2016-2020 [AG/RES. 1 (LI-E/16) rev. 1] pursuant to its seven strategic lines and its objectives for the integral development pillar and in accordance with the Annual Report of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI) to the Inter-American Council for Integral Development ([CIDI/doc.283/20);](http://scm.oas.org/IDMS/Redirectpage.aspx?class=cidi/doc.&classNum=273&lang=s) and

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that CIDI approved resolution CIDI/RES.342 (CII-O/20) “Amendments to the Statutes of the Inter-American Agency for Cooperation and Development (IACD) and to the Statutes of the Committee of the Capital Fund for the OAS Scholarship and Training Programs”,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the governments of the following member states that chaired and hosted meetings of ministers and high-level authorities within the framework of Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) and sectoral processes held since the forty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly for their hospitality, leadership, and commitment:

* Antigua and Barbuda, for chairing the Tenth Inter-American Meeting of Ministers of Education within the Framework of CIDI on July 8 and 9, 2019;
* Honduras, for hosting the Twentieth Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Inter-American Committee of Ports (CECIP), held on the Island of Roatán on July 17, 2019;
* Barbados, for hosting the Eighth Inter-American Meeting of Ministers of Culture and Highest Appropriate Authorities within the Framework of CIDI on September 19 and 20, 2019;
* Chile, for holding the XII Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE) from October 6 to 10, 2019;
* Peru, for hosting the first edition of Prospecta Americas, held in Lima on October 24 and 25, 2019;
* Ecuador, for hosting the Meeting of Working Groups of the Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor, held in Quito from December 3 to 5, 2019;
* Jamaica, for hosting the Fourth Ministerial Meeting of the Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas (ECPA), held on February 27 and 28, 2020;
* Mexico, for chairing the Special Second Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Tourism (CITUR) held, virtually, on August 14, 2020 (Agreed - August 25 & October 9, 2020)

2. To accept with satisfaction the kind offers of the following member states to host the upcoming sectoral meetings at the ministerial level and the respective processes that will be held within the framework of CIDI, conscious that they may need to be rescheduled in light of the current global pandemic, and to urge the authorities of all member states to take part in those meetings:

* Costa Rica: IV Inter-American Meeting of Ministers and High-Level Authorities on Sustainable Development, scheduled for July 2020, now postponed to the second half of 2021;
* Argentina: XII Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) in Buenos Aires from May 19 to 21, 2021;
* Mexico: Prospecta Americas to be held in two sessions. The first, virtual session in November 2020 and the second, in person, during the first quarter 2021;
* Jamaica: VI Inter-American Meeting of Ministers and High Authorities of Science and Technology within the Framework of CIDI in 2021;
* Argentina: XXI Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor (IACML), scheduled for September 22 to 24, 2021;
* Ecuador: XI Americas Competitiveness Forum in March 2021;
* Paraguay: XXV Inter-American Congress of Ministers and High-Level Authorities of Tourism scheduled for 2021;
* Chile: VII Inter-American Dialogue of High-Level MSME Authorities, scheduled for 2021;
* United States: XIII Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE) in August 2021, as well as the XIV ACE in November 2021.
* Dominican Republic: V Meeting of Ministers and High Authorities of Social Development, scheduled for 2022;
* Guatemala: IX Inter-American Meeting of Ministers and Highest Appropriate Authorities of Culture, scheduled for 2022.
  1. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “PROMOTING INCLUSIVE AND COMPETITIVE ECONOMIES”

3. To urge member states, through the exchange of good practices, experiences, training opportunities, and technical assistance to strengthen the Virtual Group of Experts within the framework of Prospecta Americas of the Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology (COMCyT) with the purpose of addressing development imperatives in the Americas, including those arising as a consequence of COVID-19. Likewise, member states with interest and existing capacities in transformative technologies are encouraged to join the COMCyT network of inter-American centers of excellence in technological foresight in order to complement regional resources and capacities, carry out studies, develop lines research, and other collaborative activities to address strategic challenges in the Americas, and support economic recovery by bringing technologies, knowledge, jobs, and growth to the countries of the region. The contributions should not be interpreted as mandates that presuppose or promote financial disbursements as a condition of participation.

4. Instruct the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI) to continue to support the work of COMCyT, including the second edition of the Prospecta Americas Seminar in Hidalgo, Mexico, as well as the Inter-American Competitiveness Network (RIAC) and the Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE), and to encourage the fullest participation of the member states at the highest level possible.

5. Instruct SEDI to continue supporting all Member States during the 2019-2022 triennium in the implementation of the OAS MSMEs Digitization Program, which is designed to allow micro, small and medium enterprises to become digitalized through training processes and technical support that allow them to create free websites, among other technological tools that are necessary for their survival and successful economic development. Preliminary results will be shared at the VII Inter-American Dialogue of High Authorities of MSMEs to be held in Chile in 2021. Additionally, SEDI will continue to promote and support, to the extent that resourcesallow, the strengthening of capacities and technical support for the Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) Program in the region, to help member states improve the resilience, competitiveness and internationalization of MSMEs and to adequately respond to the needs of local economies after the pandemic of COVID-19.

6. To instruct SEDI, in its capacity as Technical Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Tourism (CITUR), in keeping with the provisions of the Declarations of Lima and Georgetown and the CITUR Work Plan and taking into account the context of each country, to continue to support the efforts of member states within the CITUR framework, to strengthen tourism sector recovery from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and to continue working to create a Sustainable Rural Community Tourism Development Management Model for the Americas, taking into account existing national and international models and initiatives, such as, the recommendations emanating from the World Tourism Organization, in the framework of the year 2020, whose declared theme is “Tourism and Rural Development.

7. To instruct SEDI, in its capacity as Technical Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Tourism (CITUR), to continue supporting the activities and initiatives undertaken to meet the challenge of the COVID 19 pandemic and encourage Member States to support the efforts of CITUR on the conceptualization of a tourism  agenda with a 2050 vision for of the Americas.

8. To instruct SEDI, in its capacity as Technical Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Culture (CIC) and in keeping with the provisions of the Declaration of Bridgetown and the CIC Work Plan, to continue supporting the Working Group on Culture Satellite Accounts in its exchange of experience for strengthening the capacity of member states to measure the contribution of culture and the creative economy, and to request SEDI, with the support of CIC, to share country experiences regarding efforts to sustain and promote culture and the creative economy in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and its aftermath.

II. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “STRENGTHENING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTER-AMERICAN PROGRAM FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (PIDS) 2016-2021”

9. To encourage member states to incorporate disaster preparedness, recovery and reconstruction planning, in the framework of disaster risk reduction’s management, in their development plans and financial strategies.

10. To instruct SEDI to continue facilitating the exchange of experiences and best practices among member states in community emergency preparedness and response.

11. To instruct SEDI to continue developing and presenting training, targeting youth towards providing them with knowledge and tools in the area of sustainable communities under an integral approach, including through the Educational Portal of the Americas.

12. To instruct SEDI to continue to assist  ECPA in its efforts to support member states to develop renewable energy and natural gas, as well as some possible options for building cross-cutting and cross-border energy infrastructure and energy services, diversifying sources and geographic distribution for power generation and protecting communities from power grid failures caused by disasters.

13. To Instruct SEDI to, continue providing support for the promotion or development as appropriate, of comprehensive water management policies, as well as on water security, which include provisions for the mitigation and adaptation to the effects of climate change[[2]](#footnote-2)/, such as extreme droughts and floods, in particular for water-stressed countries and Regions at risk.

14. To instruct the Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) to continue its work to implement programs that promote environmental sustainability in member states, including pollution reduction in the framework of the Port Incentive Program to Reduce GreenHouse Gas (GHG) emissions from cargo ships.

15. To reiterate its support for the White Helmets Initiative as one of the valuable hemispheric mechanisms for disaster prevention, reduction, and response in the fight against hunger and poverty.

16. To encourage the White Helmets Initiative to continue fostering the growing regional humanitarian collaboration and, in that context, to continue sharing its experience and best practices in disaster prevention, preparedness, and response, more so in the international context of COVID-19.

17. To note the work of the Committee on Partnership for Development Policies on the analysis of the Study on Tools and Entities of the Inter-American System to Address Natural Disaster Response.

18. To endorse the recommendations of CIDI contained in document CIDI/CPD/doc.200/20 rev.3, on the tools and entities of the inter-American system to address natural disaster response and to task CIDI, in coordination with the Committee on Hemispheric Security (CHS), with overseeing the implementation of those mandates entrusted to the General Secretariat.

19. To adopt the amended Statutes of Inter-American Committee on Natural Disaster Reduction (IACNDR) contained in Annex of this resolution.

III. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “PROMOTING EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMERICAS”

20. To endorse the Plan of Action of Antigua and Barbuda (PABB), “The Inter-American Education Agenda: Building Sustainable Partnerships through Cooperation, with Renewed Focus on Education and Skills Development for Better Citizenry," adopted at the Tenth Inter-American Meeting of Ministers of Education, held in Washington, D.C., on July 8 and 9, 2019 (CIDI/RME/doc.6/19).

21. To instruct the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI) to continue to support the 2019-2022 Work Plan of the CIE and its goal of sharing concrete initiatives for the implementation of the Inter-American Education Agenda (IEA); to deepen synergies among global, hemispheric, and subregional educational initiatives; and to promote inter-sectoral cooperation and cooperation with other social actors in order to help achieve the goals set out in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and contribute to reducing the inequalities exacerbated by the pandemic.

22. To instruct SEDI to support the Ministries of Education and institutions in charge of education of the Region in promoting the Hemispheric Action Plan for the Continuity of Education under the effects of the coronavirus pandemic (PHACE)

23. To instruct SEDI, through the coordination it carries out as Technical Secretariat of the CIE, to encourage and promote spaces for dialogue among the authorities of the working groups and other member states interested in the implementation of programs that contribute to the achievement of the mandates contained in the Plan of Action of Antigua and Barbuda (PAAB) 2019.

24. To instruct SEDI that, in compliance with mandates emanated from the Tenth Inter-American Meeting of Ministers of Education and the Twentieth Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor, in consultation with member states, of calling a joint meeting of both sectors within a period of time to be determined.

25. To encourage member states to continue strengthening the contributions and commitments made under the leadership of the authorities of the respective working groups in order to ensure this systemic and integrated approach to the policy dialogue process, whose impact is reflected in the strengthening of the region's public policies and in their impact on local and regional programs and initiatives.

26. To instruct SEDI, as the Technical Secretariat of the CIE, to begin the planning of the second phase of the Inter-American Education Agenda by proposing guidelines for the next five-year period (2022-2027).

27. To support member states in achieving their goals for the development and consolidation of human capital through the strengthening of the OAS Scholarship OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, which include strategic alliances with academic institutions, the private sector and civil society organizations, in order to support member states in achieving their integral development goals, including by contributing to the development of relevant skills to access and remain in employment within the post-COVID context. Instruct SEDI to promote and support the Educational Portal of the Americas and the Inter-American Teacher Education Network (ITEN) as tools for training and human development, stimulating the continuity of efforts to ensure the efficiency, impact and sustainability of these programs in the region, with attention to technological innovation, education and/or virtual training. **(Agreed ad referendum of the Delegation of the United States)**

28. Reiterate the instruction for SEDI to promote and expand the OAS Consortium of Universities with a focus on national/state universities, technical and vocational institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean.

29. To instruct the Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) to continue working, in line with the CIP Mexico City Plan of Action 2018-2020 and in collaboration with its members and strategic partners on offering professional development and capacity-building opportunities offered in all four languages of the OAS, whenever possible, for officials in the port sector in the Americas, contributing to the strengthening of existing partnerships in the sector.

IV. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “PROMOTING DECENT, DIGNIFIED, AND PRODUCTIVE WORK FOR ALL”

30. To take note of the updates made to the 2018-2020 Work Plan of the Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor (IACML) of February 2020 and May 2020 ([CIMT-20/GT1-GT2/doc.12/20](http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/SPANISH/HIST_20/CIDTR00310S02.doc)), in light of the ongoing pandemic.

31. To instruct the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI) to continue supporting the 2018-2020 Work Plan of the IACML and its objective of achieving decent, dignified and productive employment for all, through regional and bilateral cooperation initiatives including for the institutional strengthening of the ministries of labor, and to continue providing technical advice on the priority issues identified by its Working Groups and the labor market impacts generated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

32. To instruct SEDI to support member states through the RIAL in the sharing of experiences on measures to promote decent work, and productive employment, including on issues such as youth employment, the strengthening of social protection systems and the promotion of dignified aging.

33. Encourage member states to develop policies and programs that allow for economic recovery and promote decent work and productive employment, particularly for workers who lost their jobs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

V. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “FOSTERING THE PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF MIGRANTS, INCLUDING MIGRANT WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTER-AMERICAN PROGRAM ON THIS SUBJECT TO ENHANCE THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO DEVELOPMENT”

(paragraph 34 to 45)

VI. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “FOSTER COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PARTNERSHIPS”

46. To instruct SEDI to continue working with and supporting the Management Board of the Inter-American Agency for Cooperation and Development (MB/IACD) in the implementation of the priorities contained in the 2020 -2021 IACD Work Plan.

47. To encourage member states to discuss, through CIDI, access to international financing[[3]](#footnote-3)/ and strengthening of international cooperation mechanisms to advance the sustainable development agenda, with special attention to the specific challenges faced by small island and low-lying developing states, and low and middle-income countries in the region, considering additional criteria, where appropriate, to assess poverty and development of countries to include vulnerability in addition to income status indicators, in order to maintain and implement social protection programs and policies needed for the welfare of citizens, especially the most vulnerable populations, as well as for stronger sustainable socio-economic, climate-resilient and low-carbon[[4]](#footnote-4)/ reconstruction and development.

48. To approve with retroactive effect to the date of their approval at the regular meeting of CIDI on June 30, 2020 through resolution CIDI/RES. 342 (CII-O/20), the amendments to the Statutes of the Inter-American Agency for Cooperation and Development (IACD).

49. To take note of the amendments to the Statutes of the Capital Fund Committee for OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, approved at the regular meeting of CIDI on June 30, 2020 through resolution CIDI / RES. 342 (CII-O/20).

VII. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “FOSTERING SOCIAL INCLUSION WITH EQUITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMERICAS”

50. To reaffirm the significance of the adoption of the Plan of Action of Guatemala 2019, “Overcoming Multidimensional Poverty and Bridging Social Equity Gaps: Towards an Inter-American Agenda on Social Development” (CIDI/REMDES/doc.6/19 rev. 3), as the first inter-American plan of action on social development and as a roadmap that defines concrete measures for advancing social development in the region; and to urge member states to participate actively in the working groups and in the discussion of a work plan as well as, and in the activities organized by the Secretariat for Access to Rights and Equity for the implementation of said Plan of Action.

* 1. To encourage member states, permanent observers, and other donors to contribute to the Fund for the Implementation of the Guatemala Action Plan 2019 to the extent of their possibilities, in order to ensure funding for the activities of the Plan.

52. To encourage member states to strengthen their social protection systems, and take into account the needs of the poor and vulnerable populations that have been particularly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Similarly, to streamline and update their social protection databases, as appropriate, in order to achieve social inclusion consistent with the new reality.

1. To recognize the strategic importance of partnership for development as a tool to support the efforts of member states to overcome poverty and inequality and tackle the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in the context of the promotion of sustainable development. In that regard, to urge member states to support and strengthen the work of the Inter-American Social Protection Network (RIPSO) as the hemispheric mechanism for cooperation on social development to strengthen the institutions and agencies responsible for social policies in member states through the exchange of knowledge, lessons learned and experience, technical assistance, mutual learning, and technical cooperation among countries.
2. To continue providing technical assistance to member states upon request, for their formulation and implementation of policies to ensure the full integral development of all children and adolescents, within the overarching framework of the current Comprehensive Strategic Plan of the Organization; and to encourage member states, as appropriate, to continue investing in this area, in accordance with their legislation, national priorities, and available resources.

VIII. REGARDING THE CONTINUATION OF SECTORAL PROCESSES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF CIDI

1. To adopt the following schedule of meetings of ministers and high-level authorities within the framework of CIDI taking into account the difficulties resulting from the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the maximum number of meetings that may be held based on resources allocated from the Organization's regular fund, and to instruct the General Secretariat to continue implementing the guidelines agreed to in the triennial ministerial cycle in coordination with the competent authorities in each sector:

| Sectoral Process | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. Tourism | II Regular Meeting of CITUR  *(virtual, November 19-20)* | XXV Tourism Ministerial  *(Paraguay)* |  | III Meeting of CITUR | XXVI Tourism Ministerial  *(host to be determined* |  |
| 2. Ports |  | XII Meeting of CIP  *(Argentina, May 19-21)* |  | XIII Meeting of CIP  *(host to be determined* |  | XIV Meeting of CIP  *(host to be determined)* |
| 3. Education |  | IX Meeting of the CIE | XI Education Ministerial  *(host to be determined* |  | X Meeting of the CIE | XII Education Ministerial  *(host to be determined* |
| 4. Cooperation  cidrp02338e01  Calendario.ENG.CIDRP02273S02 |  | III Cooperation Ministerial  *(host to be determined* |  |  | IV Cooperation Ministerial  *(host TBD)* |  |
| 5. Social Development  cidrp02262e01 | V Meeting of CIDES |  | V Social Development Ministerial  *(Dominican Republic)* |  | VI Meeting of CIDES | VI Social Development Ministerial  *(host TBD)* |
| 6. Culture |  | VI Meeting of the CIC | IX Culture Ministerial *(Guatemala* |  | VII Meeting of the CIC | X Culture Ministerial *(host to be determined)* |
| 7. Sustainable Development |  | IV Sustainable Development Ministerial  *(Costa Rica)* |  | VI CIDS meeting | V Sustainable Development Ministerial  *(host TBD)* |  |
| 8. Science and Technology |  | VI Science and Technology Ministerial  *(Jamaica)* |  | X Meeting of COMCyT | VII Science and Technology Ministerial  *(host to be determined* |  |
| 9. Labor |  | XXI Labor Ministerial  *(Argentina, September 22-24)* |  | Meeting of the WG on Labor | XXII Labor Ministerial  *(host to be determined* |  |
| *Other meetings\**  *(for reference only)* | Prospecta Americas  (*Mexico, november)* | XI Americas Competitiveness Forum  *(Ecuador, March)*  VII Inter-American Dialogue of High-Level MSME Authorities  (*Chile*)  Prospecta Americas *(Mexico, first quarter)*  XIII ACE Exchange (*United States, August*)  XIV ACE  *(United States, November*) | Prospecta Americas (Colombia)  XV and XVI Americas  Competitiveness Exchange  *(hosts to be determined* | XII Americas Competitiveness Forum  *(host to be determined)*  VIII Inter-American Dialogue of High-Level MSME Authorities *(host to be determined)*  XVII and XVIII Americas Competitiveness Exchanges *(hosts to be determined)* | XIX and XX Americas Competitiveness Exchanges *(hosts to be determined)* | IX Inter-American Dialogue of High-Level MSME Authorities  *(host to be determined)*  XXI and XXII Americas Competitiveness Exchanges  *(hosts to be determined* |
| \* Other sectoral process meetings that support CIDI’s priorities but which, as at the adoption of this resolution, were not considered official ministerial processes subject to the triennial ministerial cycle and did not ’receive funding from the OAS Regular Fund. Acronyms:  CIC: Inter-American Committee on Culture  CIDES: Inter-American Committee on Social Development  CIDS: Inter-American Committee on Sustainable Development  CIE: Inter-American Committee on Education  CIP: Inter-American Committee on Ports  CITUR: Inter-American Committee on Tourism  COMCyT: Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology  ECPA: Energy and Climate Partnership for the Americas  RIAC: Inter-American Competitiveness Network  MSME: Micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises  ACE: Americas Competitiveness Exchange | | | | | | |

IX. REGARDING THE MONITORING OF ADVANCES, CONTRIBUTIONS AND RESOURCES

1. To request the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) to report to the General Assembly at its fifty-first regular session on the implementation of this resolution.

57. To thank those member states and permanent observers that have contributed financial, logistical, and human resources to support the programs and activities of the Secretariat, and to request the General Secretariat to continue strengthening existing partnerships and developing new ones, with relevant stakeholders, including the private sector and civil society organizations.

* + 1. To reiterate that the execution of the activities envisaged in this resolution shall be subject to the availability of financial resources in the program-budget of the Organization and other resources.

ANNEX

STATUTES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE

ON NATURAL DISASTER REDUCTION (IACNDR)

CHAPTER I

NATURE AND PURPOSE

# Article 1

The Inter-American Committee on Natural Disaster Reduction (hereinafter “the IACNDR”) is an entity of the Organization of American States (hereinafter “the OAS” or “the Organization”), established by the General Assembly through resolution AG/RES. 1682 (XXIXO/99).

# Article 2

The purpose of the IACNDR is to act as the principal forum of the Inter-American system for analyzing issues related to natural and other disasters, including the prevention and mitigation of their effects, in coordination with the governments of member states; competent national, regional, and international organizations; and nongovernmental organizations.

The IACNDR also seeks to harmonize efforts and to facilitate the exchange of information on the actions taken and ongoing, as well as on the response plans of the institutions of the inter-American system, sub-regional and international partners, OAS member states and permanent observers in response to natural and other disasters.

The IACNDR seeks to strengthen hemispheric actions to achieve maximum international cooperation in support of national and/or regional efforts for timely prevention, preparedness, early warning, response, vulnerability reduction, emergency care, mitigation, rehabilitation, and reconstruction.

The IACNDR shall provide advisory services to the Inter-American Emergency Aid Fund (FONDEM) in all matters pertaining to emergency aid, including social, humanitarian, material, technical, and financial assistance to member states pursuant to the Statutes of that Fund.

The IACNDR shall provide advisory and coordination services under the Inter-American Convention to Facilitate Disaster Assistance.

# Article 3

The IACNDR is governed by these Statutes. Its activities shall be carried out in accordance with the OAS Charter and the mandates handed down by the OAS General Assembly and Permanent Council.

CHAPTER II

STRUCTURE

# Article 4: Composition

The IACNDR shall comprise the Chair of the OAS Permanent Council, the Secretary General of the OAS, the Assistant Secretary General of the OAS, the President of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the Director General of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), the Secretary General of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), the President of the Pan American Development Foundation (PADF), the Director General of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), the Director General of the Inter-American Agency for Cooperation and Development (IACD), the Chair of the Inter-American Defense Board (IADB), and the Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM).

# Article 5: The Chair and its functions

The Secretary General of the OAS, or, in his absence, his respective representative, is Chair of the IACNDR and, in that capacity, performs the following functions:

1. Convenes the IACNDR;

1. Represents the IACNDR before the other organs and agencies of the OAS;

1. Directs and coordinates the meetings organized by the IACNDR with other agencies responsible for or associated with matters related to the prevention and mitigation of the effects ofnatural disasters;

1. Coordinates performance of the IACNDR’s functions;

1. Invite member states with voice but without vote and, when necessary, invites permanent observers, and representatives of national, sub regional, regional, and international organizations and mechanisms to participate in IACNDR meetings with voice but without vote.[[5]](#footnote-5)/
2. Submits and presents an annual report on its activities to the Permanent Council**.**
3. Assists in coordinating the cooperation among OAS member states, when invited to do so by the interested parties, and assists states affected by a natural disaster in notifying OCHA.
4. Performs such duties as required under Article VII of the Statutes of the Inter-American Emergency Aid Fund (FONDEM), and

i. Solicits voluntary contributions for the purposes established in this Statutes and in accordance with article 13.

CHAPTER III

MEETINGS

# Article 6

The IACNDR shall meet at least twice a year. At the discretion of the Chair, more frequent meetings may be called.

# Article 7

The necessary quorum for a meeting of the IACNDR shall be more than half its members.

# Article 8

Should the Secretary General of the OAS be absent from all or part of a meeting of the IACNDR, the other members present shall decide by a majority of votes on a replacement to direct its discussions during his or her absence.

# Article 9

A member of the IACNDR may, under special circumstances, appoint another high-level officer of the agency to which he or she belongs to represent it at those meetings that the member cannot attend.

# Article 10

Each member of the IACNDR shall have the right to one vote. The Committee shall do everything possible to adopt decisions and recommendations by consensus. Should it not be possible to adopt decisions and recommendations by consensus, the Committee shall adopt them by a majority vote of the members.

# Article 11

The IACNDR shall meet at the Headquarters of the General Secretariat of the OAS, except when it decides on an alternative venue or format for its meetings, which could be virtual.

CHAPTER IV

SECRETARIAT SERVICES

# Article 12

The General Secretariat of the OAS shall provide secretariat services to the IACNDR, in accordance with the resources allocated in the Regular Fund program-budget of the Organization and other resources.

CHAPTER V

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

# Article 13

The IACNDR through the Secretary General, and without prejudice to the individual competence of its members, shall solicit voluntary contributions from member states and permanent observer states of the Organization and from other member states of the United Nations, as well as from individuals, or public or private institutions, whether national or international, and/or seek to establish the necessary specific and trust funds, pursuant to the General Standards to Govern the Operations of the General Secretariat of the Organization to assist OAS member states consistent with article 2**.**

In addition to financial contributions obtained pursuant to the foregoing paragraph, for purposes of emergency aid under Article V of the FONDEM Statutes, financial resources shall be made available pursuant to Article IV.b of the FONDEM Statutes for such purposes.

CHAPTER VI

AMENDMENTS AND ENTRY INTO FORCE

# Article 14

These Statutes may be amended by the General Assembly either at its own initiative or at the request of the IACNDR.

# Article 15

These Statutes shall enter into force on the date of their adoption by the OAS General Assembly**.**

FOOTNOTES

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**5. …Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (**[**ECLAC**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.eclac.org%2Fdefault.asp%3Fidioma%3DIN&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131465578&sdata=1Y22da1GPmvtOkRct91Wt853P3U4nVfGm64mRfElvOs%3D&reserved=0)**), the Inter-American Development Bank (**[**IDB**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.iadb.org%2F&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131465578&sdata=A%2BfUH5W3sFRG4LSXF9S6kDFpUWKPD2bvWrEyyqcehts%3D&reserved=0)**), the** [**World Bank**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.worldbank.org%2F&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131465578&sdata=ABr4CDcV6zzPc1oTsyKljVk7qNt5qZvC19QSk%2BYG90w%3D&reserved=0)**, the Andean Corporation for Development (**[**CAF**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.caf.com%2Fview%2Findex.asp%3Fms%3D17&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131475534&sdata=QWH6HCJwjoMYyCxRNYyErqyOKKAggXrPO3uUz4DlUrU%3D&reserved=0)**), the Caribbean Development Bank (**[**CDB**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.caribank.org%2F&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131475534&sdata=78vdQJGLnMwPXsw3gA8%2BDUMwhR3yn8Ot%2BksbbPXV9Kw%3D&reserved=0)**), the Central American Bank for Economic Integration (**[**CABEI**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.cabei.org%2Fenglish%2Findex.php&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131485479&sdata=4REgGBrp8A5%2BOPuNy10AOeV88V3MiUjZ9oM6CjUIiic%3D&reserved=0)**), International Organization for Migration (**[**IOM**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.iom.int%2Fjahia%2Fjsp%2Findex.jsp&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131485479&sdata=OkXyt4YEBCa%2BIDRMV7LDWmV2Jxx3nAB7B%2Ba9ai26yMo%3D&reserved=0)**), the International Labor Organization (**[**ILO**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.ilo.org%2Fglobal%2Flang--en%2Findex.htm&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131485479&sdata=lvXKTaxGUO5JphPniOyMhYVuIf%2BPwXp%2B%2Bw6fsFc5rQI%3D&reserved=0)**), the United Nations Development Programme (**[**UNDP**](https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.undp.org%2F&data=02%7C01%7CAynesJM%40state.gov%7C740d4aa7f583474226b808d80b4efad8%7C66cf50745afe48d1a691a12b2121f44b%7C0%7C0%7C637271781131495443&sdata=dN5n66DRsH58QlGUGzB3wVOIEeOsGUawgcKcrKtE3QE%3D&reserved=0)**),** the White Helmets Initiative, Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA), the Coordination Center for the Prevention of Natural Disasters in Central America (CEPREDENAC), the Andean Committee for the Prevention and Attention to Disasters (CAPRADE) and the Meeting of Ministers and High Level Authorities of Integral Risk Management of MERCOSUR (RMAGIR).

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1. The United States notes that references to climate change and/or the Paris Agreement are without prejudice to U.S. positions. The United States notes that it submitted formal notification… [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. . The United States notes that references to climate change and/or the Paris Agreement are without prejudice to U.S. positions. The United States notes that it submitted formal notification … [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. The U.S. believes that the most highly concessional finance should be focused on the countries most in need and least able to mobilize financing from other sources. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. The United States notes that references to climate change and/or the Paris Agreement are without prejudice to U.S. positions. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. . Said organizations could include, among others, the United Nations, the World Bank, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC**), International Federation of the Red Cross (IFRC), …** [↑](#footnote-ref-5)