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**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE TRIENNIAL MINISTERIAL CYCLE**

**OF THE SECTORAL PROCESS FOR CULTURE**

(Approved by CIDI at is regular meeting held February 28, 2023)

The three-year ministerial cycle for Culture has fallen behind the timelines established in the “General Guidelines for Sectoral Ministerial Processes within the Framework of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI)” (CIDI/doc.228/17).

Although the Planning Meeting of the Authorities of the Ministerial Process for Culture should have been held in January 2023, three months after the ministerial meeting, it could not be held on schedule because of the difficulty in coordinating the schedules of the various officers of the Inter-American Committee on Culture (CIC) owing to previous commitments, the beginning of the budgetary negotiations by the member states, and vacations at the General Secretariat, including Christmas and end-of-year vacations. Those developments hindered the coordination needed to prepare for the Meeting and for the advance discussion of the documents to be negotiated.

Accordingly, CIDI approved that the Planning Meeting of the Authorities of the Ministerial Process for Culture to be convened as an in-person meeting to be held at the OAS General Secretariat headquarters on March 16 and 17, 2023, in recognition of the commitment of the CIC officers and the members of the Troika, and mindful that the General Provisions of the General Guidelines for Sectoral Ministerial Processes within the Framework of CIDI establish that “(...) in case of unforeseen circumstances the CIDI, on the advice of the Secretariat, will have the prerogative to approve changes to a particular ministerial cycle on an exceptional basis and taking into consideration the logistical, budgetary and organizational implications of the proposed change.”

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