
II Special Meeting on API Review

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Radisson Victoria Plaza

Plaza Independencia 759

Montevideo – Uruguay

1. INTRODUCTION

In 2011, COSIPLAN set up the Integration Priority Project Agenda (API), which is made up of a subset of Portfolio projects with a high impact on the physical integration and socioeconomic development of the region. It was approved by the Ministers at the Second Ordinary Meeting of COSIPLAN (Brasilia, November 2011), and ratified by the Presidents at the Sixth Meeting of the UNASUR Council of Heads of State (Lima, November 2012).

At present, API includes 31 structured projects made up of 103 individual projects. The estimated investment is US\$20,149 million. As provided for in the Strategic Action Plan (PAE) 2012-2022, API should be reviewed every five years.

During the I Special Meeting on API Review, held on April 18 and 19, 2017, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, a proposal and the review criteria to be applied every five years were defined. During the videoconferences by Hubs, organized between May and June, both the structured and individual projects were reviewed following the methodology agreed upon.

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING

- I. Present the results of the API review (I Special Meeting on API Review and Videoconferences by Hubs) and the creation of API 2022 and API 2027 sets.
- II. Analyze the API projects included in the two sets as well as the structured projects that are no longer a priority.
- III. Agree on distinct follow-up strategies for API 2022 and API 2027 projects and on actions to disseminate advances regarding such projects.

3. PARTICIPANTS

National Coordinators, Member Countries' officials specialized in the API projects, and representatives of the UNASUR General Secretariat and of COSIPLAN-IIRSA Technical Coordination Committee.

4. AGENDA

09:00-09:15 **Registration of Participants**

09:15-09:30 **Opening Session**

COSIPLAN Presidency Pro Tempore held by Argentina:

Fernando Álvarez de Celis, Under-Secretary of Territorial Planning of Public Investment, Argentina's Ministry of the Interior, Public Works and Housing

COSIPLAN-IIRSA National Coordination of Uruguay:

Pablo Genta, National Director of Planning and Logistics, Uruguay's Ministry of Transport and Public Works

9:30-10:15 **API Review: Selection Criteria and the API2022 and API2027 Sets**

- Description of the objectives and criteria defined for the five-year review
- Creation of API 2022 and API 2027 sets
- Non-priority projects: difficulties identified for their implementation

Lecturers: Alejandra Radl and Ignacio Estévez, IDB-INTAL, CCT Secretariat

10:15-12:15 **API 2022 Agenda**

- Brief presentation and progress report on the structured projects
- Expected completion and identified implementation difficulties

Lecturers: CCT Secretariat and countries involved in the projects API 2022.

Argentina: Atilio Alimena, National Director of International Territorial Integration Planning

Bolivia: Marco Antonio Delgadillo Rojas, Director-General of the Inland, Inland Waterway, and Lake Transport, Ministry of Public Works, Services and Housing

Brazil: João Carlos Parkinson de Castro, Head of the General Coordination of Economic Affairs for South America, Central America and the Caribbean, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Colombia: Sandra Milena Fonseca, Directorate of Infrastructure and Sustainable Energy of the National Planning Department.

Paraguay: Daiana Ferreira, Directorate of Physical Integration and International Transport of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Uruguay: Pablo Genta, National Director of Planning and Logistics, Ministry of Transport and Public Works

Moderador: Sebastián Abbatemarco, CAF.

(The coffee break is to take place at 11:00)

12:15-13:00 **Agenda API 2027**

- Brief presentation and progress report on the structured projects
- Expected completion and identified implementation difficulties
- Individual projects that require adjustments to comply with requirements

Lecturers: CCT Secretariat and countries that make up the API 2027 projects.

Argentina: Atilio Alimena, Argentina's National Director of International Territorial Integration Planning

Bolivia: Marco Antonio Delgadillo Rojas, Director-General of the Inland, Inland Waterway, and Lake Transport, Ministry of Public Works, Services and Housing

Brazil: João Carlos Parkinson de Castro, Head of the General Coordination of Economic Affairs for South America, Central America and the Caribbean, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Chile: Rigoberto García González, International Coordinator, Ministry of Public Works

Colombia: Sandra Milena Fonseca, Directorate of Infrastructure and Sustainable Energy of the National Planning Department.

Guyana: Geoffrey Vaughn, Works Services Group, Ministry of Public Works

Paraguay: Daiana Ferreira, Directorate of Physical Integration and International Transport of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Uruguay: Pablo Genta, National Director of Planning and Logistics, Ministry of Transport and Public Works

Venezuela: Elvis Urbina, Venezuelan Ambassador to UNASUR, Ministry of Popular Power for Foreign Affairs

Moderator: Raúl Rodríguez Molina, IDB.

13:00-13:15 **Group Photograph**

13:15-15:00 **Lunch**

15:00-16:30 **Agenda API 2027 (cont.)**

16:30-17:00 **Dialogue on the Follow-up on API Projects**

- Distinct follow-up on the API 2022 and API 2027 projects
- Tools for monitoring and information update
- API Review in 2027
- Dissemination strategies for API projects

Lecturers: Alejandra Radl and Ignacio Estévez, BID-INTAL, CCT Secretariat

Moderator: Atilio Alimena, Argentina's National Director of International Territorial Integration Planning

17:00-17:15 **Coffee Break**

17:15-18:00 **Next Steps**

- Final make-up of API 2022 and 2027.
- Agreements on the follow-up on the projects
- Declaration of Ministers in Buenos Aires on the Review of API 2017

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18:00-18:15 **Closing Session**

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