

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE TECHNICAL GROUP ON FREIGHT TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS

DoubleTree by Hilton – Parque 93
Bogotá, Colombia
September 13 and 14, 2016

1. BACKGROUND

The COSIPLAN Strategic Action Plan (PAE) 2012-2022 includes the following objectives:

- “Stimulate the application of methodologies and the development of sectoral processes and complementary actions in order to facilitate the design, execution and operation of physical integration projects.”
- In relation to the development of Sectoral Processes, to “promote the convergence of the regulations concerning the development and operation of regional infrastructure.”

In order to reflect the importance of bringing together infrastructure and transport and logistics services in an integral way, taking logistics as the articulating factor, COSIPLAN has defined transport and logistics as a strategic focus and established as priorities for 2016 the following lines of action:

- Definition of a Regional Expert Network on Freight Logistics
- Preparation of the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Study on Logistics Chains in the MERCOSUR-Chile Hub
- Exchange of information about Observatories of Freight Transport and Logistics in the region
- Preparation of the Study on Rail Integration
- New editions of the course “Design and Management of Freight Transport and Logistics Policies”

In all these aspects, progress has been made that merits discussion, agreed-upon decisions, and the design of specific lines of action for the next period; consequently, they have been included in the working agenda of the GTE.

As the Agenda coincides with the beginning of the implementation of the Expert Network, it has been organized in such a way as to offer methodological guidelines to direct and facilitate the work of this Network and its working groups.

2. OBJECTIVES

The objective of the Meeting of the Executive Technical Group on Freight Transport and Logistics is to review the progress made in the activities scheduled for 2016 and to agree upon the guidelines for the activities to be carried out in the 2017-2018 period. The specific purposes are the following:

1. Present the Expert Network and offer methodological guidelines for the start of its activities, including the definition of the work plan for the 2017-2018 period.
2. Review the progress made in the implementation of the region's Observatories of Freight Transport and Logistics, and discuss the critical aspects and challenges faced by their implementation from the technical, financial, and institutional viewpoints.
3. Review, discuss, and agree upon the scope of the TOR for the Study on Logistics Chains in the MERCOSUR-Chile Integration and Development Hub (Hub-MCC).
4. Present the advances made in COSIPLAN in Border Integration and Facilitation, Rail Integration, and Integration through Ports and Waterways.
5. Communicate the results of the three editions of the virtual course "Design and Management of Freight Transport and Logistics Policies," review the practical experience of the persons trained, and agree upon the next steps in training and knowledge application.

3. WORK METHODOLOGY

The meeting will combine informative presentations with thematic round tables concerned with strategic planning:

- The **presentations** are aimed at providing detailed information on the topic under consideration. Each presentation is expected to last a maximum of 15 minutes.
- The **round tables** seek to respond to different objectives and goals.

4. PARTICIPANTS

The following persons are expected to participate:

- COSIPLAN-IIRSA National Coordinations' members
- At least one official certified in the virtual course "Design and Management of Freight Transport and Logistics Policies" per country
- Officials or experts involved in Freight Transport and Logistics in the South American Countries

5. PRELIMINARY AGENDA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

09:00-09:30	Registration
09:30-10:00	Opening Session <i>César Augusto Peñaloza, Sustainable Infrastructure and Energy Director, National Department of Planning, Colombia's National Coordination at COSIPLAN</i> <i>Adrián Lazo, Ministry of Transport and Communications, Coordinator of the GTE on Freight Transport and Logistics, Peru</i>
10:00-10:30	Logistic Mission: Strategy for Updating Colombia's National Logistics Policy <i>César Augusto Peñaloza</i>
10:30-10:50	Intermodal Transport Master Plan <i>Ana María Zambrano, Advisor to the Vice-Minister of Infrastructure, Colombia's Ministry of Transport</i>
10:50-11:15	Public-Private Coordination for Logistics Improvement in Bogotá and Cundinamarca <i>Juan Pablo Castellón, Manager, Unidad Logística Bogotá Región</i>
11:15-11:30	Objectives and Expected Results <i>Ignacio Estévez, IDB-INTAL</i>

SESSION 1 FREIGHT TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS OBSERVATORIES

Objective	<i>Discuss critical issues and challenges faced by the countries in the implementation of the logistics observatories and identify information that could be gathered to contribute to regional infrastructure planning</i>
11:30-11:45	Regional Freight Transport and Logistics Observatory (Link: http://logisticsportal.iadb.org/) <i>Julieta Abad, IDB</i>
	Experiences in National Freight Transport and Logistics Observatories
11:45-12:00	Colombia's Freight Transport and Logistics Observatory <i>Katherin Sandoval, Coordinator of the Logistics Execution Technical Units (UTEL), Colombia's National Planning Department</i>
12:00-12:15	Coffee Break
12:15-12:30	Uruguay's Infrastructure, Transport and Logistics Observatory (Link: http://observatorio.mtop.gub.uy/) <i>María Eugenia Cardozo, Uruguay's National Logistics Institute (INALOG)</i>

12:30-12:45	Transport Data Observatory in Chile (Link: http://estadisticatransporte.mtt.cl/) <i>Mauricio Casanova, Logistics Development Program, Chile's Ministry of Transport</i>
12:45-13:00	Bolivia's Transport Information System Model <i>Leonor Arias Irusta, Head of Planning and Monitoring, Vice-Ministry of Transport, Bolivia's Ministry of Public Works, Services and Housing</i>
13:00-13:30	Q&A and Comments <i>Moderator: Julieta Abad, IDB</i>
13:30-13:40	Group Photograph
13:40-15:00	Lunch
15:30-16:45	Round Table on Freight Transport Indicators at the Regional Level and Data Collection Mechanisms <i>Facilitator: Carolina Venot, Consultant</i>
16:45-16:55	Conclusions of the Session and Actions to be Included in the COSIPLAN Work Plan <i>Julieta Abad, IDB</i>
16:55-17:00	Coffee Break
SESSION 2	INTEGRATION SECTORAL PROCESSES IN COSIPLAN-IIRSA
Objective	<i>Present the progress made in the different fields and analyze the coordination of future actions</i>
17:00-17:15	South American Rail Integration <i>María Eugenia Cardozo, Uruguay's National Logistics Institute (INALOG)</i>
17:15-17:30	South American Integration through Ports and Waterways <i>Rolando Terrazas, CAF</i>
17:30-17:45	Border Integration and Facilitation in South America <i>Santiago Perciavalle, Under-Secretariat of Public Investment Territorial Planning, Argentina's Ministry of Internal Affairs, Public Works and Housing</i>
17:45-18:00	Q&A and Comments <i>Moderator: Fausto Arroyo, CAF</i>
18:00-18:15	Conclusions of the Session and Proposed Actions to be Worked on within the Framework of the Expert Network <i>Ignacio Estévez, IDB-INTAL</i>

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

SESSION 3 LOGISTICS CHAINS IN THE MERCOSUR-CHILE HUB

Objective *Present the proposed TOR and discuss the scope and methodology for the study to be performed*

09:15-09:30 **Proposed Terms of Reference for the Study**
Carolina Venot, Consultant

09:30-10:30 **Round Table on the Scope and Outputs of the Study. The Countries' Participation Commitment**
Facilitator: Carolina Venot, Consultant

10:30-10:45 **Conclusions of the Session and Actions to be Included in the COSIPLAN Work Plan**
Rolando Terrazas, CAF

10:45-11:00 **Coffee Break**

SESSION 4 EXPERT NETWORK

Objective *Present the proposal on the COSIPLAN Freight Logistics Expert Network (REXLOG-COSIPLAN) and agree upon the next steps*

11:00-11:15 **Proposal on REXLOG-COSIPLAN**
Carolina Venot, Consultant

11:15-12:15 **Round Table on the Operation of REXLOG**
Facilitator: Carolina Venot, Consultant

12:15-13:00 **Round Table on the Selection of Subject Areas for REXLOG in 2016-2017**
Facilitator: Fausto Arroyo, CAF

13:00-13:15 **Conclusions of the Session and Actions to be Included in the COSIPLAN Work Plan**
Alejandra Radl, IDB-INTAL

13:15-14:30 **Lunch**

SESSION 5**VIRTUAL COURSE ON FREIGHT TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS****Objective**

Review the results of the courses, communicate the adjustments planned, and analyze the impact of the knowledge gained on the officials' work

14:30-14:50

Results of the Virtual Course “Design and Management of Freight Transport and Logistics Policies”

Joaquim Tres, IDB

14:50-15:20

Dialogue with the Participants in the Course concerning Areas of Improvement and/or Expansion of the Course Content

Ignacio Estévez, IDB-INTAL

15:20-15:50

Round Table on Tools to Ensure Knowledge Application

Facilitator: Carolina Venot, Consultant

15:50-16:00

Conclusions of the Session and Actions to be Included in the COSIPLAN Work Plan

Alejandra Radl, IDB-INTAL

16:00-16:15

Coffee Break

16:15-16:45

Proposed Work Plan 2017

Alejandra Radl and Ignacio Estévez, BID-INTAL

16:45-17:00

Closing Session

Adrián Lazo, Coordinator of the GTE on Freight Transport and Logistics, Peru