COSIPLAN Meeting on the Work Plan 2017

December 6, 2016
Videoconference

FINAL MEETING REPORT

On December 6, 2016, COSIPLAN held a videoconference meeting on the Work Plan 2017, which was attended by delegations from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Peru, Uruguay, and the Technical Coordination Committee. The list of participants is attached as Annex 1.

The objective of the meeting was to analyze and approve the proposed COSIPLAN Work Plan 2017 prepared by Argentina’s National Coordination jointly with the countries in charge of the different thematic areas of the PAE. The Work Plan 2017 as approved by the countries, including its calendar of activities, is attached as Annex 2.

Below are the specific comments made on some of the work areas of the Plan.

Mid-term Review of the PAE

It was agreed that, following the results of the videoconference scheduled for March 8, 2017, the face-to-face activities will be adjusted as needed to fulfill this action.

Mid-term Review of Integration Priority Project Agenda (API)

In order to develop a diagnosis of API progress between 2012 and 2016, the following material will be taken into account:

- API Progress Reports 2011-2016
- API project diagnoses made by the countries in 2015
- Report of the consultant of the UNASUR General Secretariat on API multinational projects (2016)
COSIPLAN Project Information System

The CCT Secretariat informed that a video presenting the aim and functionalities of this technological platform is already published on the COSIPLAN website. The link to this video is contained in Annex 3.

Integration Territorial Programs

The CCT Secretariat informed that the following reports are already published:

These reports are available in digital format on the COSIPLAN website, and hard copies have already been sent to Argentina and Chile and will be sent to the countries requesting them. The reports are attached as Annexes 4 and 5.
Disaster Risk Management

The CCT Secretariat reported that the following reports are already published:

The reports will be available in digital format on the COSIPLAN website, and hard copies will be sent to Chile and Peru as well as to the countries requesting them. The reports are attached as Annexes 6 and 7.

Rail Integration

The Uruguayan delegation informed that the deadline for the countries to submit railway-related information was extended until November 30, and the delegations were again urged to send the missing documents so that they can be taken into account for the study. The consulting team, however, is making progress on the preparation of the preliminary report—which it expects to present by late December—using the information available.

Integration through Ports and Waterways

API 3: Northeastern Access to the Amazon River (BR-CO-EC-PE)

The Colombian delegation said that it moved forward with a new version of the terms of reference for the study on the navigability of the Putumayo River based on the information supplied by the countries in the basin. This new version will be sent to Brazil, Ecuador, and Peru during the week of December 12.

Air Integration

The Brazilian delegation informed that it is in talks with Guyana to define the date and venue of the GTE meeting to be held in 2017.

Trade Integration through Postal Services for MSMEs

The Brazilian delegation informed that the date and venue of 2017 GTE meeting will be defined early next year depending on their coordination with UPU and UPAEP activities.
COSIPLAN Annual Reports

The CCT Secretariat reported that the following reports are already published:

As in previous years, the Project Portfolio and API reports present the progress attained by the integration projects and include aggregate analyses of the main variables of these portfolios.

The Activity Report focuses on the action areas more worked on in 2016, and contains a specific section on the projects identified as “featured projects” by the countries due to their progress and strategic value for South American integration. It also describes the technological tools developed and used to support the management of COSIPLAN projects and activities, and includes testimonials from and interviews with prominent officials from the region.

These reports will be available in digital format on the COSIPLAN website, and hard copies will be sent to the countries requesting them. The reports are attached as Annexes 8 to 11.
List of Annexes

Annex 1: List of participating delegations
Annex 2: COSIPLAN Work Plan 2017 and Calendar of Activities
Annex 3: COSIPLAN Project Information System Video
Annex 4: Agua Negra Binational Tunnel: Integration Territorial Program
Annex 6: Disaster Risk Management in COSIPLAN: Methodology and Application to Chilean and Peruvian Infrastructure
Annex 7: Disaster Risk Management in COSIPLAN: Risk Reduction Measures in Chilean and Peruvian Integration Infrastructure
Annex 8: Project Portfolio 2016
Annex 10: Project Files 2016