

Meeting of the Executive Technical Groups on the Integration and Development Hubs to Update the COSIPLAN Project Portfolio

May 7, 8 and 9, 2013 Montevideo, Uruguay

NOTES OF THE PLENARY SESSION

On May 7, 8 and 9, 2013, the city of Montevideo, Uruguay, hosted the Meeting of the Executive Technical Groups on the Integration and Development Hubs to Update the COSIPLAN Project Portfolio, which was attended by delegations from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, and Uruguay as well as by members of the UNASUR General Secretariat and of IIRSA Technical Coordination Committee. The meeting agenda and the list of participating delegations are attached as Annexes 1 and 2, respectively.

The objectives of this GTE meeting were as follows: (i) prioritize the update and upgrade of the information contained in the files for the individual projects included in the Integration Priority Project Agenda (API); (ii) address proposals regarding projects to be included in or excluded from the COSIPLAN Portfolio as well as any specific project worth discussing; and (iii) present the results of the application of the Indicative Territorial Planning Methodology to the Expanded Amazon Hub.

After the opening of the meeting by the Presidency Pro Tempore (PPT), held by Peru, the Technical Coordination Committee explained the meeting objectives and expected results. Next, the consultants responsible for the technical aspects of the tasks presented the outcomes of the application of the Indicative Territorial Planning Methodology to the Expanded Amazon Hub. These presentations are attached as Annexes 3 and 4.

Based on the presentation of the results of the study "Elements for the Sustainable Development of the Territory of the Amazon Hub," the National Coordinators agreed that the name of the Business Visions of the Hubs be addressed at the next meeting of National Coordinators.

Subsequently, the proposal to update the socioeconomic characteristics and sustainable development of the territory of the Integration and Development Hubs was presented. The National Coordinators agreed to the proposal, and the CCT will undertake the relevant tasks. This presentation is attached as Annex 5.

The delegations agreed to revise the Strategic Functions of the Project Groups of all the Hubs and to present the progress made in this regard at the next meeting of National Coordinators, to be held in June.

The delegations suggested that the issue of the overlap of energy topics between the COSIPLAN and the South American Energy Council be raised at the next meeting of the COSIPLAN Coordinating Committee, to be held in June.

After the methodology of the sessions on each Hub was explained, the activities were held simultaneously. With regard to work on the API individual projects, it was agreed that their objective and arrangement be reviewed in order to improve and/or redefine their scope and facilitate their planning and follow-up, as well as that the projects be subdivided where appropriate. It was also agreed that the names of the projects be reviewed for them to reflect the scope and solution proposed.

The notes of each of these sessions were drafted separately.

List of Annexes

- Annex 1: Meeting Agenda
- Annex 2: List of Participating Delegations
- Annex 3: Presentation on the Territorial Planning Methodology
- Annex 4: Presentation on the study "Elements for the Sustainable Development of the Territory of the Amazon Hub"
- Annex 5: Presentation on the update the socioeconomic characteristics and sustainable development of the territory of the Integration and Development Hubs