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Border Integration PSI

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Studies on Border Integration

- Optimization of Border Crossing: Cristo Redentor
- Territorial connectivity: Argentina - Paraguay (Node: Clorinda Asunción)
- Connectivity: Argentina - Chile
- Facilitation of Border Crossing: Colombia - Ecuador
- Regional and Binational Integration: Argentina – Bolivia
- Border Integration Plan: Colombia - Perú



Optimization of Border Crossing: Cristo Redentor

- **Objective:** to optimize the operation of the Border Crossing
- **Scope:** study of optimization alternatives and further pre-design of the chosen alternative
- **Status:** several alternatives were identified for the improvement of the Crossing, 3 of them were chosen for analysis and the technical, economic and socio-environmental pre-design was started



Territorial Connectivity: Argentina – Paraguay (Node: Clorinda - Asunción)

- **Objective:** feasibility of the physical integration of the projects: Node: Clorinda – Metropolitan Area of Asunción and Node: Ñeembucú - Río Bermejo
- **Scope:** new connection over Paraguay river and optimization of the territorial connectivity of the Node
- **Status:** approved by FONPLATA and under internal approval process by the countries



Connectivity: Argentina - Chile

- **Objective:** to identify the land transportation infrastructure projects between Argentina and Chile in order to improve the connectivity between both countries and the operation conditions of the international transport that uses the Border Crossings
- **Status:** it will start in September, the contract is being notarized



Facilitation of Border Crossing: Colombia – Ecuador

- **Objective:** facilitation of the border crossings: Colombia – Ecuador, in Rumichaca and San Miguel, with support to the socio-economic development of the influence area.
- **Scope:** assessment of the proposals related to the optimization and facilitation of the Border Crossing in Rumichaca and implementation and design of the Border Crossing in San Miguel. It will pose a regional development component.
- **Status:** advisors are being hired and the technical cooperation is being formalized.



Regional and Binational Integration: Argentina – Bolivia

- **Objective:** to improve life conditions for the inhabitants in border regions and facilitate the movement of people and assets as well as to improve the infrastructure of the border crossings
- **Status:** the Argentina – Bolivia Integration and Development Master Plan was completed. Recommendations were given based on a diagnosis of the border region and an integrated vision of the territory, which include:
 - The general strategy
 - An action plan (short, medium and long-term plan)
 - The identification of prioritized programs and projects



Plan for the Development of the Colombia – Perú Border Integration Zone

- **Objective:**
 - To improve the quality of life of the population; social and public services
 - To improve connectivity and communications with the regional centers of the ZIF (Border Integration Zone, in English)
 - To strengthen the binational border institutionalality as well as the public, private one and also the one related to social organizations
 - To develop the binational border institutionalality
 - To develop and consolidate the productive base of assets and services through the sustainable use of resources and the promotion of Amazon-origin products
 - To strengthen the exchange process related to assets and services to the interior of the ZIF