Activity Report 2011
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Nineteenth Meeting of IIRSA National Coordinators
Brasilia, November 29, 2011
Areas of Work 2011

• Integration Priority Project Agenda
• Project Portfolio
• Sectoral Integration Processes
  – Exports through Postal Services for SMEs
  – Border Crossings
  – Georeferencing Tools
• Planning Methodologies and Tools
  – Strategic Environmental and Social Evaluation (EASE)
  – Production and Logistics Integration Methodology (IPrLg)
  – Exchange of successful experiences
Integration Priority Project Agenda (API)
Integration Priority Project Agenda

The Integration Priority Project Agenda (API) is made up of a limited number of strategic projects with a high impact on the physical integration and the socioeconomic development of the region.

Main Actions

1. Consensual definition of project features and selection criteria
2. API set up process (Project identification and analysis)
3. Drafting of a document on API
Integration Priority Project Agenda

PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Projects must belong to the COSIPLAN Project Portfolio, be a priority in government action, be supported by the commitment to accomplish them (which is evidenced by the allocation of funds through multi-year financing programs, by the legislation passed, the budget measures taken, etc.)

2. Feasibility studies must be available, or the country has allocated the necessary funds for their implementation.

3. Projects must strengthen connectivity networks that are regional in scope, and involve cross-border synergies.

4. There exists an opportunity or a need to take complementary actions intended to promote efficient service provision and the sustainable development of the territory, according to the characteristics and modality of each specific project.
# Integration Priority Project Agenda

## API SET UP PROCESS

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Integration Priority Project Agenda

API SET UP PROCESS

1. GTE Bogotá, June 14 - 17
2. GTE Montevideo, July 19 - 21
3. Nineteenth Meeting of National Coordinators, August 29 - 30
4. Second COSIPLAN Meeting, November 30

A. Videoconferences on July 6 and 7
B. Videoconference on September 13
C. Videoconference on October 17
Integration Priority Project Agenda

- 31 structured projects
- 88 individual projects
- 19 projects being executed
- 47 projects in the pre-execution stage
- Estimated investment = US$ 13,652.7 MM
Integration Priority Project Agenda

BY EID AND NUMBER OF PROJECTS

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Andean Hub

BOLIVIA, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, PERU AND VENEZUELA

CORREDOR VIAL
CARACAS - BOGOTÁ - BUENAVENTURA / QUITO

SISTEMA DE CONECTIVIDAD DE PASOS DE FRONTERA
COLOMBIA - VENEZUELA

AUTOPISTA DEL SOL:
MEJORAMIENTO
Y REHABILITACIÓN DEL
TRAMO SULLANA - AGUAS VERDES
(INCLUYE VÍA DE
EVITAMIENTO DE TUMBES)

CENTRO BINACIONAL DE
ATENCIÓN DE FRONTERA
(CEBAF) DESAGUADERO

INTERCONEXIÓN FRONTERIZA
COLOMBIA - ECUADOR
Capricorn Hub
ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CHILE AND PARAGUAY

CONSTRUCCIÓN DEL PUENTE BINACIONAL SALVADOR MAZZA - YACUIBA Y CENTRO DE FRONtera

CONEXIÓN OESTE ARGENTINA - BOLIVIA

CORREDOR FERROVIARIO BIOCEÁNICO PARANAGUA - ANTOFAGASTA

LÍNEA DE TRANSMISIÓN 500 KV (ITAIPÚ - ASUNCIÓN - YACYRETÁ)

CONEXIÓN VIAL FOZ - CIUDAD DEL ESTE - ASUNCIÓN – CLORINDA
Guianese Shield Hub

BRAZIL, GUYANA, SURINAME AND VENEZUELA

REHABILITACIÓN DE LA CARRETERA CARACAS - MANAOS

RUTA BOA VISTA - BONFIM - LETHEM - LINDEN - GEORGETOWN

RUTAS DE CONEXIÓN ENTRE VENEZUELA (CIUDAD GUAYANA) - GUYANA (GEORGETOWN) - SURINAME (SOUTH DRAIN - APURA - ZANDERIJ - MOENG - ALBINA), INCLUYENDO LA CONSTRUCCION DEL PUENTE SOBRE EL RIO CORENTINE
Paraguay-Paraná Waterway Hub
ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, PARAGUAY AND URUGUAY

MEJORAMIENTO DE LA NAVEGABILIDAD DE LOS RÍOS DE LA CUENCA DEL PLATA

INTERCONEXIÓN FERROVIARIA PARAGUAY - ARGENTINA - URUGUAY

CIRCUNVALACIÓN VIAL DE NUEVA PALMIRA Y SISTEMA DE ACCESOS TERRESTRES AL PUERTO

REHABILITACIÓN DEL RAMAL FERROVIARIO CHAMBERLAIN - FRAY BENTOS
Central Interoceanic Hub

BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CHILE, PARAGUAY AND PERU

MEJORAMIENTO DE LA CONECTIVIDAD VIAL EN EL EJE INTEROCEANICO CENTRAL

CORREDOR FERROVIARIO BIOCEANICO CENTRAL (TRAMO BOLIVIANO)

PASO DE FRONTERA INFANTE RIVAROLA - CAÑADA ORURO

AEROPUERTO DISTRIBUIDOR DE CARGA Y PASAJEROS PARA SUDAMERICA (HUB AEROPUERTO INTERNACIONAL VIRU-VIRU - SANTA CRUZ)
MERCOSUR-Chile Hub

ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, CHILE, PARAGUAY AND URUGUAY

- GASODUCTO DEL NORESTE ARGENTINO
- TÚNEL BINACIONAL AGUA NEGRA
- OPTIMIZACION DEL SISTEMA PASO DE FRONTERA CRISTO REDENTOR

- CORREDOR FERROVIARIO MONTEVIDEO - CACEQUI
- CONSTRUCCIÓN DEL PUENTE INTERNACIONAL JAGUARÃO - RÍO BRANCO
- TRANSPORTE MULTIMODAL EN SISTEMA LAGUNA MERIN Y LAGOA DOS PATOS
Peru-Brazil-Bolivia Hub

BOLIVIA, BRASIL AND PERU
Project Portfolio
Project Portfolio 2011

Update of the COSIPLAN Project Portfolio, made up on the basis of IIRSA Project Portfolio.

Main Actions

1. Update of Project Database
2. GTE Meetings concerning the 9 IIRSA EIDs
   June 14 -l 17, Bogotá and videoconferences on July 6 - 7
3. Report on the COSIPLAN Project Portfolio as of 2011
Project Portfolio 2011

531 transportation, energy and communications projects, arranged in 47 project groups and 9 Integration and Development Hubs with an estimated investment of US$ 116,120.6 million

71.4% of the project portfolio show significant progress

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<td>29.9%</td>
<td>US$ 52,046.6 million</td>
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<td>63 completed projects</td>
<td>11.9%</td>
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Source: Project Database (as of 7/09/11)
Project Portfolio 2011

BY EID AND NUMBER OF PROJECTS
Evolution of the Project Portfolio

NUMBER OF PROJECTS AND INVESTMENT AMOUNTS IN 2004-2011
# Project Database

A tool for queries on and updates of the Project Portfolio

[www.iirsa.org/proyectos](http://www.iirsa.org/proyectos)
At the GTE meeting on the Peru-Brazil-Bolivia Hub, it was agreed that an analysis would be conducted of the northeastern and central-eastern territory of Brazil in order to incorporate it into one of IIRSA Integration and Development Hubs.
Sectoral Integration Processes
Exports through Postal Services for SMEs

This project was presented to IIRSA member countries by the Brazilian Ministry of Communications, based on the successful and innovative experience designed and implemented by the Brazilian Postal and Telegraph Services (ECT, its Portuguese acronym).

OBJECTIVE
Encourage the integration of micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprises of South America into the regional and international markets, by implementing a simplified exports system through postal services.

ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY EACH COUNTRY
- Formal expression of interest
- Technical visits for pre-diagnosis purposes
- Technical Cooperation Agreement
- Project Diagnosis and Implementation
- Support and Control
Exports through Postal Services for SMEs

ACTIONS AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

- **Argentina**: Diagnosis completed in 2010 and preparatory tasks to get the design started.
- **Bolivia**: Pre-diganosis concluded.
- **Colombia**: Launched as a pilot project in December 2009 and at the national level, in July 2010. A monitoring visit made in April 2010.
- **Chile**: At the request of the Chilean government, the cooperation for the diagnosis and design of the service scheduled to begin in July 2011 was postponed to a later, yet to be defined, date.
- **Ecuador**: Project launched in October 2011. Activities designed to strengthen the project at the national level will continue.
- **Paraguay**: Creation of an inter-institutional team for the activities required before the pre-diagnosis stage.
- **Peru**: Project launched at the national level in July 2007. Activities designed to strengthen the project will continue.
- **Uruguay**: Project launched in May 2009. Activities designed to strengthen the project will continue.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE REGION

- Signature of the Cooperation Agreement between the Brazilian Ministry of Communications and the Universal Postal Union for the development of a methodology to disseminate the project among the UPU member countries. Bern, Switzerland. November 2011.
- Presentation of the project at the 3rd MERCOSUR Foreign Trade Meeting. Curitiba, Brazil, Dec. 2011.
Exports through Postal Services for SMEs

GTE Meeting held on November 8 in Buenos Aires

**Objectives of the GTE Meeting**

- Analyze the evolution of this project within the framework of IIRSA
- Enlarge the project to include the importation of goods in the countries of destination
- Draw up an action plan and work schedule for 2012.

**Conclusions of the GTE Meeting**

- Enlarge the project and modify its denomination as “Trade Integration through Postal Services for MSMEs.” Develop a proposal for the Importa Fácil system.
- Organize visits for Exporta Fácil monitoring, pre-diagnosis and exchange purposes.
- Hold a GTE meeting in 2012.
Border Crossings

The CCT institutions have given bilateral support to several countries and pairs of countries for the development and maintenance of border crossings and border integration projects, within national programs or at specific borders.

**BORDER CROSSINGS**
- Cúcuta - San Antonio - Ureña (CAF)
- Facilitation of Colombia - Ecuador Border Crossings (CAF)
- Bolivia Border Crossings (CAF)
- Optimization of the Cristo Redentor Border Crossing (IDB)
- Ecuador - Peru River Border Crossings (IDB)
- Chile - Bolivia Border Crossings (IDB)

**BORDER INTEGRATION**
- Clorinda - Asunción Metropoligan Area Node (FONPLATA)
- Ñeembucú - Bermejo River Node (FONPLATA)
- Argentina - Chile Connectivity (IDB)
- Colombia - Peru Border Development Plan (CAF)
- Argentina –Bolivia Border Development Plan (CAF)
- Binational Study on the Navigation Conditions of the Napo River (Peru - Ecuador) (IDB)
- Multinational Study on the Navigation Conditions of the Putumayo River (Peru-Colombia-Ecuador-Brazil) (IDB)
- Diagnosis of the Peruvian Border Crossing System (IDB)
- Peruvian Border Crossings (Desaguadero, Iñapari - Santa Rosa) (IDB)
- Colombia - Ecuador Border Crossings (IDB)
Border Crossings

Objectives of the GTE Meeting

- Identify the lessons learned in border crossing improvement processes undergone or currently being developed
- Identify the obstacles to the development of border crossing projects and to jointly analyze how to overcome such obstacles, with a view to supporting the implementation of the border crossing projects included in the Integration Priority Project Agenda

Conclusions of the GTE Meeting

- Carry out the studies needed to implement the projects
- Identify indicators of border crossing management
- Organize one or two GTE meetings on border crossings (to be identified) with the aim of exchanging best practices and solutions
Georeferencing Tools

GeoSUR Progress

• Launch of new versions of the portal (with greater functionality), map and geo-processing services.

• Extension of the Program to cover Central America, Mexico and the Caribbean. Twenty new institutions from Latin America are soon to participate in the Program.

Workshop on Cartographic Agendas

• Objectives of the Workshop
  – Design a proposal for creating an Executive Technical Group (GTE) to develop a South American Geoinformation Production Plan

• Conclusions of the Workshop
  – Revise the tools currently in place for the purpose of enhancing them to fulfill the objectives provided for in the PAE
Planning Methodologies and Tools
Logistics and Production Integration Methodology (IPrLg)

The application of the methodology to G4 of the MERCOSUR-Chile Hub was concluded

Applications to G4 of MERCOSUR-Chile Hub and G5 of Andean Hub were assessed

A GTE meeting was held on November 10 in Buenos Aires

- **Objectives of the GTE Meeting**
  - Revise this planning tool and propose any adjustment that may help improve its outcomes and impacts

- **Conclusions of the GTE Meeting**
  - Agreement was reached as to the criteria to be used in order to revise the IPrLg methodology; the draft version will be distributed for feedback purposes by the GTE, and the final report will be submitted to the National Coordinations.
  
  - The revised IPrLg methodology will be applied on an API structured project.
Other Actions

• **Strategic Environmental and Social Evaluation (EASE) Methodology (EASE)**
  – The IDB Technical Cooperation concerning the application of the EASE Methodology to Project Group 2 of the Southern Hub was subject to an external evaluation.
    The report will be available on the Web site.

• **Exchange of experiences of successful cases in infrastructure service provision**
  – The IDB Technical Cooperation concerning support to the creation of a regional network for the exchange of successful experiences in the provision of infrastructure services was subject to an external evaluation.
    The report will be available on the Web site.