

TC ABSTRACT

I. Basic Project Data

▪ Country/Region:	REGIONAL/Regional
▪ TC Name:	Efficient and Sustainable Freight Logistics in Latin America and the Caribbean
▪ TC Number:	RG-T2961
▪ Team Leader/Members:	JULIETA ABAD (INE/TSP) Team Leader; FIORAVANTI, REINALDO DANIEL (INE/TSP) Alternate Team Leader; CHRETIEN, LOUIS-FRANCOIS (LEG/SGO); BALADI RODRIGUEZ, AZIZ (INE/TSP); MONTES CALERO, LAUREEN ELIETH (INE/TSP); DIEZ ROUX, ESTEBAN (INE/TSP); CALATAYUD, MARIA AGUSTINA (IFD/CMF); TAVERAS MARTE, ALBA (INE/TSP)
▪ Taxonomy:	Research and Dissemination
▪ Number and name of operation supported by the TC:	N/A
▪ Date of TC Abstract:	22 Mar 2018
▪ Beneficiary:	Latin America and the Caribbean
▪ Executing Agency:	INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK
▪ IDB funding requested:	\$ 500,000.00
▪ Local counterpart funding:	\$ 0.00
▪ Disbursement period:	36 months
▪ Types of consultants:	Individuals; Firms
▪ Prepared by Unit:	Transport
▪ Unit of Disbursement Responsibility:	Infrastructure & Energy
▪ TC included in Country Strategy (y/n):	No
▪ TC included in CPD (y/n):	No
▪ Alignment to the Update to the Institutional Strategy 2010-2020:	Productivity and innovation ; Economic integration

II. Objective and Justification

- 2.1 The objectives of the technical cooperation are: (i) to produce knowledge products (reports, toolkits, guidelines, datasets, tools) that support policy making decisions in the area of freight logistics; and (ii) to strengthen the Bank's capacity as a partner to countries in the region in the pursuit of a stronger logistics performance.
- 2.2 The Freight Logistics strategic area promotes a comprehensive vision of freight transport systems, considering simultaneously infrastructure, transport services and regulations. It also encourages incorporating this vision into the Bank's operations and policy dialogue with its stakeholders in the region. To achieve the proposed objective the strategic area works supporting institutions in charge of logistics policy design, collecting and analyzing relevant performance data and proposing methodologies and relevant tools to support policymaking decisions.
- 2.3 The topic of the present TC is key to a sustainable development path for the Latin America and Caribbean region. The region's logistics performance is weak relative to other developing regions and results in higher logistics costs, that negatively impact on external trade competitiveness and internal distribution costs. Infrastructure deficits, together with low levels of efficiency among public agencies with a mandate over the sector are among some of the causes that explain the region's logistics challenges.

III. Description of Activities and Outputs

- 3.1 Component 1: Data, indicators and methodologies (US\$150.000). This component encompasses the following activities:
- Methodology to assess the costs of urban freight distribution; development of two new pilots to apply the existing methodology in Buenos Aires and Bogotá
 - Methodology to assess freight flows (and, potentially, efficiency impacts) in Bank financed road projects.
- 3.2 Component 2: Sectoral Analysis (US\$300.000). This component involves the development of sectoral analysis relevant to the logistics agenda of Latin America and the Caribbean.
- Public sector's perspective in truck fleet renovation programs: what works and what not?
 - Disruptive potential of modern technologies on freight transportation: case studies and good practices in LAC.
 - Recent developments in Latin America and the Caribbean's port sector and their associated impacts on trade flows.
 - Logistics performance challenges for small and medium enterprises in Latin America and the Caribbean.
 - The logistics of publicly procured goods: challenges in antibiotics distribution in selected LAC countries.
- 3.3 Component 3: Institutions (US\$50.000). This component is intended to support dialogue processes among public and private stakeholders with a mandate or influence on the logistics agenda. This involves:
- Support to the establishment of national logistics observatories.
 - Coordination of roundtables and/or commissions to discuss freight logistics policy agendas.
 - Drafting of minutes/working documents/road maps summarizing the discussions of the above meetings, geared to provide actual policy implementation guidelines.
- 3.4 **Component I: Data, indicators and methodologies.** This component encompasses the following activities:
- 3.5 **Component II: Sectoral Analysis.** This component involves the development of sectoral analysis relevant to the logistics agenda of Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 3.6 **Component III: Institutions .** This component is intended to support dialogue processes among public and private stakeholders with a mandate or influence on the logistics agenda. This involves

IV. Budget

Indicative Budget

Activity/Component	IDB/Fund Funding	Counterpart Funding	Total Funding
Data, indicators and methodologies	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 150,000.00
Sectoral Analysis	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 300,000.00
Institutions	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 50,000.00

V. Executing Agency and Execution Structure

- 5.1 The executing agency for the present TC will be the Interamerican Development Bank, through its Transport Division (INE/TSP).
- 5.2 Bank execution will be carried out as per the Operational Guidelines for Technical Cooperation products (GN-2629-1), which establish that the Bank is an eligible entity to act as an executing agency for technical cooperations that focus on Knowledge and Dissemination.

VI. Project Risks and Issues

6.1 No risks are envisaged for the present TC.

VII. Environmental and Social Classification

7.1 The ESG classification for this operation is "undefined".