

COMMERCIAL CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Executing agency:	Cámara de Industria y Comercio de Santa Cruz [Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce and Industry] (CAINCO)	
Beneficiaries:	Conciliation and Arbitration Centers [Centros de Conciliación y Arbitraje] (CCAs) and justice system operators participating in the program, and entrepreneurs and investors using CCA services.	
Objectives:	The general objective of the program is to improve conditions for the development of private economic activity by creating a climate of confidence, transparency, and security in the resolution of commercial disputes. The specific objective is to consolidate the country's alternative dispute resolution (ADR) system. This would be accomplished through: (a) institutional strengthening of the CCAs already established in the chambers of commerce of Santa Cruz and Cochabamba, and the Ilustre Colegio de Abogados de La Paz [La Paz Bar Association]; (b) a strategic information and awareness campaign on the use of ADR methods, targeting judges, attorneys, and entrepreneurs; (c) the establishment of strategic alliances between the CCAs and the ordinary courts; and (d) review of the legal framework regulating ADR methods in Bolivia.	
Financing:	Modality: Grant MIF (Facility I):	US\$300,000
	Local counterpart:	US\$201,400
	Total:	US\$501,400
Exceptions to Bank policy:	None.	
Contractual conditions:	As conditions precedent to the first disbursement under this program, the executing agency must present, to the Bank's satisfaction:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. evidence that the program's technical executing unit (TEU) has been established and staffed (paragraph 3.13); b. an initial report describing the operational situation of the participating centers (paragraph 5.1); 	

- c. an annual execution plan for the first year, presented by component (paragraph 5.1);
- d. evidence that the program operating regulations, governing the functions and obligations of all program participants (paragraph 3.14) have taken effect; and
- e. evidence that the adherence agreement between the executing agency and CCAs participating in the program has entered into force (paragraph 3.14).

Access to the resources for components 2, 3, and 4, is conditioned upon the implementation of component 1 to the Bank's satisfaction (paragraph 3.4).