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REGIONAL

PROMOTING KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY BUILDING THROUGH THE
REGIONAL POLICY DIALOGUE

(RG-T3164)

TECHNICAL COOPERATION DOCUMENT

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I. Basic Information for TC

▪ Country/Region:	Regional
▪ TC Name:	Promoting Knowledge and Capacity Building through the Regional Policy Dialogue
▪ TC Number:	RG-T3164
▪ Team Leader/Members:	Mariana Alfonso, Team Leader, Karina Sanchez, Silvana Molina (VPS/VPS), all Networks' coordinators (CSD, ESG, IFD, INE, INT, RES, SCL), Maria del Pilar Jimenez de Arechaga (LEG/SGO)
▪ Taxonomy:	Research and Dissemination
▪ Date of TC Abstract authorization:	April 9, 2018
▪ Beneficiary:	Bank's borrowing member countries
▪ Executing Agency:	Inter-American Development Bank
▪ Donors providing:	OC-SDP for Institutions (INS) - US\$1,800,000 OC-SDP for Infrastructure (INF) - US\$600,000 OC-SDP for Social Development (SOC) - US\$600,000 OC-SDP for Sustainability (SUS) - US\$600,000 OC-SDP for Integration (RIN) - US\$200,000
▪ IDB Funding Requested:	US\$3,800,000
▪ Disbursement period:	36 months
▪ Required start date:	June 01, 2018
▪ Types of consultants:	Consulting firms and Individual consultants
▪ Prepared by Unit:	VPS/VPS
▪ Unit of Disbursement Responsibility:	VPS/VPS
▪ TC Included in Country Strategy (y/n):	N/A
▪ TC included in CPD (y/n):	N/A
▪ Alignment to the Update to the Institutional Strategy 2010-2020:	Institutions and the rule of law; Social inclusion and equality; Productivity and innovation; Economic integration; Gender equality and diversity; Climate change and environmental sustainability

II. Objectives and Justification of the TC

- 2.1 The Regional Policy Dialogue (RPD) has been operating since the year 2000 as a program aimed at strengthening the Inter-American Development Bank's (IDB) technical dialogue with LAC sector senior government officials. The main activity of the RPD is to hold regular meetings by each of its networks, with the purpose of exchanging experiences, sharing lessons learned, identifying common solutions to their most pressing development issues, and contributing to strengthening the institutional capital in LAC.
- 2.2 The general objective of the RPD is to promote a high-level policy dialogue between borrowing member countries and Bank officials to identify innovative practices, strengthen institutional capacity, share experiences (both from the region and from the rest of the world), and improve the quality of reform strategies. At the same time, the RPD provides the opportunity for the Bank to receive direct feedback about countries' public policy priorities, which subsequently informs Bank's future operational program.

- 2.3 The RPD operates through eighteen¹ policy dialogue networks aligned with the Bank's main work areas: (1) citizen security; (2) climate change; (3) disaster risk management; (4) education; (5) energy; (6) environmental and social safeguards; (7) financial institutions; (8) fiscal management; (9) gender equality and diversity; (10) housing and urban development; (11) innovation, science and technology; (12) labor markets and social security; (13) macroeconomic policy and finance; (14) open government; (15) social protection and health; (16) trade and integration; (17) transportation; and (18) water and sanitation.
- 2.4 The RPD networks are coordinated by the Vice-Presidency of Sectors and Knowledge (VPS) Divisions and comprised of high level policymakers from borrowing member countries. The meetings organized by the networks include not only government officials but also key stakeholders in the sector involved in policy making, who could contribute with sector knowledge and experience.
- 2.5 The interest and continuing demand for new RPD networks indicate that the initiative is perceived as valuable both by LAC high-level policymakers and by VPS Divisions. In particular, constant high-country participation, overall high satisfaction rates, and continuous positive feedback from country officials and other external participants show the RPD is considered a useful instrument for the region. Moreover, stronger dissemination efforts over the past few years seem to have resulted in greater visibility within and outside the Bank about the relevance of the RPD activities (see paragraph 3.4).
- 2.6 The value added of this TC is related to: (i) promoting high level policy dialogue and knowledge sharing among senior policymakers from the borrowing member countries; (ii) fostering discussions between policymakers, Bank Staff and international experts on key development issues on policy-oriented knowledge, analytical work and tools for the design, reformulation, and adoption of sound policies; and (iii) providing a space for the dissemination and dialogue with the countries about the Bank's operational and knowledge program.
- 2.7 Over the past 17 years, RPD networks have contributed to strengthening institutional capacity in LAC, to generate south-south cooperation, and to build strategic alliances between key stakeholders in important sectors in the region. The RPD has helped raise awareness and demand on key development issues for which not enough knowledge is available. For instance, the 2017 meetings organized by the Financial Institutions Network discussed pressing issues regarding the regulation approaches to innovations in financial markets. The discussion was focused on the use of cross-border data, Fintech, data protection and regulation—all key aspects of concern for both industry and regulators in LAC region. One of the conclusions of the meetings is that Fintech constitutes a challenge for regulators and the industry. Fintech has shown a very high growth potential that is confirmed by its growth rate in the region. Thus, there is a need for regulators to know and understand technologies to develop adequate standards, especially regarding consumer protection, protection of the system against illicit activities, and transparency, but also for idiosyncratic and systemic risks. As a result, the Bank is working closely with client countries to design regulatory frameworks for Fintech.²

¹ In 2016, a network on Housing and Urban Development Network was created.

² For more results from this and other networks, please refer to results reported in Convergence for RG-T2732 and RG-T2950.

- 2.8 This TC builds on the outcomes and outputs achieved under previous TCs financed by the Institutional Capacity Strengthening Thematic Fund (ICSF). Previous operations, RG-T1832, RG-T2017, RG-T2252, RG-T2436, and RG-T2557, have been completely executed and fully disbursed. Operation RG-T2732 and RG-T2950 are still disbursing for edition and publication of the final versions of knowledge products that will be published in the upcoming months. The pending products and activities are expected to be completed before the end of each TCs' execution date.
- 2.9 With several years of operation, the RPD networks are constantly learning through the organization and execution of their dialogues and incorporating these lessons³ and good practices in their work plans. Among the main lessons learned over the past years are the following: (i) the dialogue is enriched and strategic alliances are encouraged when other key stakeholders in addition to high level officials are invited, including representatives from the private sector, civil society, academia, or other international organizations; (ii) country officials highly appreciate applicability and local context, thus network activities are increasingly focusing on specific case studies and first-hand experiences, including good practices from countries outside the region,⁴ as well as the implementation of practical tools, all of which have improved the quality of the dialogue; (iii) promoting informal activities, such as field trips⁵ and group dynamics within RPD meetings, when relevant, have proven to be successful in promoting the exchange of ideas and experiences among participants and can increase the quality of discussion; (iv) coordination among networks with common areas of work is beneficial to promote multi-sectorial work and take advantage of the synergies among them; and (v) the use of an effective communication and dissemination strategy before and during each RPD meeting has proven to be highly effective to bring important background information on scope and format of the event to attract the right audience and to ensure active participation.
- 2.10 As a result of previous years' experience, networks are implementing innovative practices, such as dynamic group discussions (as opposed to lecture-style presentations) and actual hands-on experience on what other countries are doing; as well as preparing more focused meeting content and agenda to ensure an in-depth analysis of specific issues and alternative policy solutions. Also, some networks implemented strategic communication plans that include blog posts, newsletters, and other material that have contributed to more active participation and involvement during RPD meetings. These strategies have also allowed the dissemination of analytical products produced by the Bank among key stakeholders in the region.
- 2.11 This TC is directly aligned with all regional challenges and cross-cutting issues identified in the Update to the Institutional Strategy 2010-2020 (AB-3008), particularly with the cross-cutting theme "institutions and rule of law" by giving its focus on

³ These lessons learned are based on feedback from RPD's participants (through satisfaction surveys after each meeting), network coordinators (through regular exchanges with RPD Secretariat and annual summary reports), as well as the main findings from past external assessments (2012 and 2014).

⁴ For instance, the Labor Markets and Social Security Network organized an RPD meeting in which they included the participation of experts on public employment services from Belgium, France, Canada, Sweden, United Kingdom, United States, Estonia, Germany and Poland.

⁵ Last year, four networks organized field trips to relevant sites: (i) Education: guided visit to a school from "Fundación Pies Descalzos," in Cartagena, that showcased exemplary pedagogical practices to promote quality education for children in vulnerability; (ii) Social Protection and Health: field visits to Kaiser Permanente Center for Total Health, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation, and John Hopkins Hospital to expose LAC policymakers to innovative practices in health care; (iii) Gender Equality and Diversity: visit to the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture, where participants of the Network learned about the African experience in the Americas through exhibits on history, culture, music and sports; and (iv) Citizen Security: organized a field visit to the Bronx, in Bogota, to expose participants to a successful intervention to increase security and restore rights.

strengthening the capacity of states by promoting dialogue and cooperation among LAC policymakers and international experts.

- 2.12 This TC is also aligned with: (i) the Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Program (OC-SDP) for Institutions, by contributing to make public policies and institutions more efficient, effective, open and focused on the citizen; (ii) the OC-SDP for Social Development, by strengthening public institutions' efforts to become more effective and efficient in social programming, group targeting, and social sector project execution; (iii) the OC-SDP for Infrastructure, by improving the design and monitoring of public policies and the transmission of lessons learned in the infrastructure sector, and generating and deepening sector knowledge on good infrastructure practices; (iv) the OC-SDP for Integration, by supporting the harmonization of policies and procedures for greater productive integration, strengthening the Bank's borrowing member countries' capacities to engage in regional initiatives, promoting collective action and South-South Cooperation in LAC to address collective development challenges and opportunities, and deepening knowledge in global and regional integration; and (v) the OC-SDP for Sustainability, by strengthening capacities to manage disaster risk and respond to emergencies stemming from natural disasters, expanding the knowledge base on climate change mitigation, adaptation, and sustainable energy geared towards leveraging climate investment, and supporting municipal governments to prepare for challenges related to rapid urban growth in a sustainable manner.

III. Description of activities/components and budget

- 3.1 This TC will finance the activities related to: (i) the planning, organizing and holding of regional and sub-regional meetings with high-level government officials from LAC countries, including the preparation of knowledge products to be discussed during the meetings; and (ii) the coordination of activities and dissemination of results.
- 3.2 **Component I: Policy Dialogues undertaken with LAC policymakers.** The main component of this TC will finance the planning, organizing, and holding of regional and sub-regional meetings to discuss issues identified as key development challenges for the LAC countries. The main participants in RPD meetings are the key stakeholders directly involved in the design and implementation of policymaking. It also involves representatives from civil society and the private sector, academia, and former policymakers. The networks might prepare complementary background studies, elaborated by external consultant experts in their fields, to be used as input to the agenda or presented and discussed during the dialogue meetings. The meetings will mostly take place in Washington, D.C. or in the region, convened by the RPD's network coordinators. Network coordinators will make sure to inform the relevant members of the Board of Executive Directors when government officials of their respective countries confirm participation to an RPD meeting in D.C. When designing the meetings, particularly those held in the region, network coordinators will ensure close collaboration with VPC Departments and Country Offices. The meetings' agendas, minutes, and supporting documents will be posted in the RPD webpage (<http://www.iadb.org/rpd>). When relevant, invitations will be extended to experts and officials from other regions, as well as from international organizations, think tanks and universities, to enrich the dialogue by contributing knowledge, innovative practices, and relevant experiences.
- 3.3 Technical expertise for the design and execution of network activities will be the responsibility of the Network Coordinators from VPS' Divisions (see execution in

Section IV). Previous lessons learned from network meetings have been considered in the planned activities and expected outcomes. For a detailed list of objectives, deliverables and expected results by network, please visit the following [link](#).

- 3.4 **Component II: Coordination and Dissemination of activities and results of the RPD.** The second component includes the coordination and dissemination of activities and results of this TC. For example, in 2017, the RPD Secretariat continued with its dissemination efforts by creating eight periodic calendars that were internally disseminated to inform the Board of Executive Directors and High-Level Management of upcoming RPD meetings. In addition, some of the networks have been active in creating their own virtual and interactive space to exchange information and ideas, particularly through Communities of Practices (CoPs), as well as the use of blogs, videos, and electronic newsletters. Under this TC, for example, the Environmental and Social Safeguards Network will continue consolidating two CoPs to promote the ongoing exchange of information and collaboration among LAC policymakers and IDB Staff.
- 3.5 As part of its dissemination efforts, the RPD Secretariat will host, in collaboration with KNL, an internal workshop for network coordinators, in order to promote direct exchange of good practices and lessons learned between networks. This exchange will allow networks to learn about the most innovative practices within each network, and help review what has worked, what has not, and why. The RPD Secretariat also plans to continue with its broader dissemination efforts in 2018. In particular, the RPD Secretariat will continue with the distribution of periodic calendars with information on upcoming RPD meetings to be distributed internally. Other planned activities under this component are blog posts and newsletters produced by the RPD networks as part of their dissemination strategies.
- 3.6 To monitor the relevance and quality of the dialogue, the RPD has been using surveys questionnaires over the past few years. All the external participants, particularly country officials, are asked to fill a survey after each meeting. As part of its monitoring efforts, the RPD Secretariat also requires each network to send an Annual Summary Report to report qualitative results. The results from these annual surveys help analyze the effect of RPD activities, in the short-term, through questions related to the event they just attended. Through questions addressed to participants who have attended RPD events in the past, the RPD can measure the application of the knowledge acquired.
- 3.7 The total cost of this TC will be US\$3,800,000, which will be financed in the following way: (i) US\$1,800,000 from the OC-SDP for Institutions (INS); (ii) US\$600,000 from the OC-SDP for Infrastructure (INF); (iii) US\$600,000 from the OC-SDP for Social Development (SOC); (iv) US\$600,000 from the OC-SDP for Sustainability (SUS); and (v) US\$200,000 from the OC-SDP for Regional Integration (RIN). The specific networks that each OC-SDP Fund will finance are detailed in Table I, and the indicative budget for the operation is shown in Table II. The execution period will be 36 months.

Table I. Fund assignment by network

Component	Network	Division	Fund	Amount (US\$)	Amount per Fund (US\$)
Component 1: Policy Dialogues	Energy	INE/ENE	INF	200,000	600,000
	Transport	INE/TSP		200,000	
	Water and Sanitation	INE/WSA		200,000	
	Citizen Security	IFD/ICS	INS	200,000	1,600,000
	Environmental and Social Safeguards	VPS/ESG		200,000	
	Financial Institutions	IFD/CMF		200,000	
	Fiscal and Municipal Management	IFD/FMM		200,000	
	Gender Equality and Diversity	SCL/GDI		200,000	
	Innovation, Science and Technology	IFD/CTI		200,000	
	Macroeconomic Policy and Finance	RES/RES		200,000	
	Open Government	IFD/ICS		200,000	
	Trade and Integration	INT/INT	RIN	200,000	200,000
	Education	SCL/EDU	SOC	200,000	600,000
	Labor Market and Social Security	SCL/LMK		200,000	
	Social Protection and Health	SCL/SPH		200,000	
	Climate Change	CSD/CCS	SUS	200,000	600,000
	Disaster Risk management	CSD/RND		200,000	
	Urban Development and Housing	CSD/HUD		200,000	
Component 2: Coordination & Dissemination	All networks		INS	200,000	200,000
	Total				3,800,000

Table II. Indicative Budget* (US\$)

Component	IDB
Component 1. Policy Dialogues	3,600,000
Hiring consultants to organize logistics for meetings	300,000
Travel and per diem for participants (approx. 20 to 50 external participants per meeting)**	2,000,000
Consultants for complementary background studies	300,000
Other expenses (editing, materials, interpretation services, catering, events logistics)	1,000,000
Component 2. Coordination and Dissemination	200,000
Coordination and dissemination of TC results	200,000
GRAND TOTAL	3,800,000

* For a more detailed breakdown of each network's planned budget, please review the networks 2018 Annual Work Plan, available under the link <https://idbg.sharepoint.com/sites/VPS/RPD/Pages/Work-Plans.aspx>.

** The RPD will fund, when agreed by network coordinators, the participation of high level policymakers, as well as of invited experts. Preference will be given to C&D countries. IDB Staff expenses are not eligible for financing under this TC operation.

IV. Executing agency and execution structure

- 4.1 The Bank, through VPS/VPS and VPS' divisions (CSD/CCS, CSD/HUD, CSD/RND, IFD/ICS, IFD/CMF, IFD/CTI, IFD/FMM, INE/ENE, INE/TSP, INE/WSA, INT/INT, RES/RES, SCL/EDU, SCL/GDI, SCL/LMK, SCL/SPH, and VPS/ESG) where the RPD networks are located, will execute this TC. The Bank will be the executing agency given the high complexity in coordinating the RPD, including the involvement of 18 different VPS sectors and 26 LAC countries.

- 4.2 Based on the lessons learned from previous executed TCs (RG-T1832, RG-T2017, RG-T2252, RG-T2436, RG-T2557, and RG-T2732), and given the number of RPD networks and the complexity of the decentralized use of resources, the RPD Secretariat proposes an [Executing Mechanism](#) that involves the creation of one umbrella TC and a sub-operation per network. The proposed executing mechanism ensures that transfers between sub-operations are feasible, if needed. Once the network activities have concluded and all related expenses have been processed, any unused funds could be reallocated to finance pending activities of other networks. Each network will present the RPD Secretariat a completion report with all generated deliverables and achieved outcomes.
- 4.3 The activities to be executed are included in the Procurement Plan (Annex II) and will be contracted in accordance with Bank policies as follows: (i) AM-650 for Individual Consultants; (ii) GN-2765-1 and Guidelines OP-1155-4 for Consulting Firms for services of an intellectual nature; and (iii) GN-2303-20 for logistics and other related services.⁶

V. Major issues

- 5.1 A possible risk is low engagement and participation of high-level officials. This risk has been mitigated since 2010 following OVE's recommendations (RE-316-1) to cover travel and per-diem expenses of government officials, as well as through effective communication of encouragement from the network coordinators.

VI. Exceptions to Bank policies

- 6.1 None.

VII. Environmental and Social Strategy

- 7.1 There are no environmental, social risks or impacts associated with this program. The TC is classified as "C" (see [Safeguard Screening Form](#) and [Safeguard Policy Filter Report](#)).

Required Annexes:

- Annex I: [Results Matrix](#)
- Annex II: [Procurement Plan](#)

Required Electronic Link:

- [Terms of Reference](#)

⁶ The RPD's value added among IDB client countries is the ability of each network to bring the most innovative practices, cutting-edge knowledge, and top experts in each field from the region and from the rest of the world to each of their meetings. Given the RPD's objectives and value added, there may be a need, on a case by case basis, for services to be provided by consulting firms (academic institutions/think-tanks/and Non-Governmental Organizations (ONG)) from countries which are not members of the Bank. Having access to experiences, best practices, and knowledge from all over the world would allow the Bank to continue strengthening the institutional capacity in LAC and would reinforce the knowledge dissemination role of the RPD. When needed and duly justify, an exception or exceptions to the country eligibility provision contemplated in paragraph 3.5 of document GN-2765-1 will be processed and submitted for the approval of the Board of Executive Directors in accordance with the Bank's applicable procedures.




Results Matrix

Outcomes

1 Outcome Statement: Increased knowledge exchange for the design, execution, and evaluation of policy in key sectors among policy makers in LAC									
Indicators	Flags*	Unit of Measure	Baseline	Baseline Year	Means of verification		2018	2019	EOP
1.1 % of participants that report they were able to extract lessons learned from knowledge presented during RPD meetings and apply them to their own country		Participants (%)	92.00	2017	Meetings satisfaction surveys	P	92.00	92.00	
						P(a)			
						A			
1.2 % of recurrent participants that report they were able to apply the information obtained in previous RPD meetings to design/reform policies, programs or projects		Participants (%)	96.00	2017	Meetings Satisfaction Surveys	P	96.00	96.00	
						P(a)			
						A			
1.3 %Participants to the meetings that reported being satisfied (average percentage)		Participants(%)	91.00	2017	Meeting Satisfaction Surveys	P	91.00	91.00	
						P(a)			
						A			

CRF Indicator

Outputs: Annual Physical and Financial Progress

1 Policy Dialogues undertaken with LAC policymakers						Physical Progress				Financial Progress				Theme	Fund	Flags
Outputs	Output Description	Unit of Measure	Baseline	Baseline Year	Means of verification	2018	2019	EOP	2018	2019	EOP					
1.1 Regional policy dialogues organized	Regional and subregional policy dialogue meetings to be funded by INF, INS, INT, SOC and SUS	Events (#)	26	2017	Meeting Minutes #	P	25	25	50	P	1800000	1800000	3600000	Regional Integration	INS	
						P(a)			0	P(a)			0			
						A				A						
2 Coordination and Dissemination of activities and results of the RPD						Physical Progress				Financial Progress				Theme	Fund	Flags
Outputs	Output Description	Unit of Measure	Baseline	Baseline Year	Means of verification	2018	2019	EOP	2018	2019	EOP					
2.1 Newsletters published	Periodic calendars with upcoming RPD meetings to be distributed internally	Newsletters (#)	0	2018	RPD Website (www.iadb.org/rpd)	P	8	8	16	P	25000	25000	50000	Institutional Development	INS	
						P(a)			0	P(a)			0			
						A				A						
2.2 Annual reports published	Annual report highlighting outcomes and outputs by network	Reports (#)	1	2017	Annual Reports submitted in Convergence	P	1	1	2	P	75000	75000	150000	Institutional Development	INS	
						P(a)			0	P(a)			0			
						A				A						

Other Cost

Total Cost

CRF Indicator

Standard Output Indicator

	2018	2019	Total Cost
P	\$1,900,000.00	\$1,900,000.00	\$3,800,000.00
P(a)			
A			

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PROCUREMENT PLAN FOR IDB-EXECUTED OPERATIONS														
Country: Regional							Executing Agency: IDB (VPS)					UDR:VPS, CSD, ESG, IFD, INE, INT, RES, SCL		
Project number:RG-T3164					Project name:Promoting Knowledge and Capacity Building through the Regional Policy Dialogue									
Period covered by the Plan: 24 months					Total Project Amount: \$ 3,800,000									
Component	Procurement Type (1) (2)	Service type (1) (2)	Description	Estimated contract cost (US\$)	Selection Method (2)	Type of Contract	Source of Financing and Percentage				Estimated date of the procurement notice	Estimated contract start date	Estimated contract length	Comments
							IDB/MIF		Other External Donor					
							Amount	%	Amount	%				
Component 1	A. Consulting services	Individual Consultant (AM-650)	Consultants to organize logistics for meetings.	\$ 300,000	SSS	Lump Sum	\$ 300,000	100%	\$ -	0%	1-Jun-18			
Component 1	A. Consulting services	Individual Consultant (AM-650)	Consultants to elaborate complementary background studies.	\$ 300,000	ICQ	Lump Sum	\$ 300,000	100%	\$ -		1-Jun-18			
Component 1	B. Goods (2)(iii)	Corporate Procurement (GN-2303)	Editing, materials, interpretation services, catering, events logistics	\$ 1,000,000	PC	Lump Sum	\$ 1,000,000	100%	\$ -		1-Jun-18			
Component 1	B. Goods (2)(iii)	Corporate Procurement (GN-2303)	Travel and per diem for participants (approx. 20 to 50 external participants per meeting)	\$ 2,000,000	PC	Lump Sum	\$ 2,000,000	100%	\$ -		1-Jun-18			
Component 2	A. Consulting services	Individual Consultant (AM-650)	Consultant for coordination and dissemination of TC results	\$ 200,000	ICQ	Lump Sum	\$ 200,000	100%	\$ -		1-Jun-18			
Prepared by:	Karina Sanchez		TOTALS	\$ 3,800,000			\$ 3,800,000	100%	\$ -	0%				
(1) Grouping together of similar procurement is recommended, such as publications, travel, etc. If there are a number of similar individual contracts to be executed at different times, they can be grouped together under a single heading with an explanation in the comments column indicating the average individual amount and the period during which the contract would be executed. For example: an export promotion project that includes travel to participate in fairs would have an item called "airfare for fairs", an estimated total value od US\$5,000, and an explanation in the Comments column: "This is for approximately four different airfares to participate in fairs in the region in years X and X1".														
(2) (i) Individual consultants: ICQ: Individual Consultant Selection Based on Qualifications; SSS: Single Source Selection. Selection process to be done in accordance with AM-650.														
(2) (ii) Consulting firms: Per GN-2765-1, Consulting Firm selection methods for Bank-executed Operations are: Single Source Selection (SSS); Simplified Competitive Selection (<=250K) (SCS); Fully Competitive (>250K) (FCS); and Framework Agreement Task Order (TO). All Consulting Firm selection processes under this policy must use the electronic module in Convergence.														
(2) (iii) Goods: Per GN-2765-1, par. A.2.2.c: "The procurement of goods and related services, except when such goods and related services are necessary to achieve the objectives of the Bank-executed Operational Work and are included in the consulting services contract and represent less than ten percent (10%) of the consulting services contract value."														

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this operation was approved for financing under the **Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Program for Institutions (INS)**, **Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Program for Infrastructure (INF)**, **Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Program for Social Development (SOC)**, **Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Program for Sustainability (SUS)** and the **Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Program for Integration (RIN)**, through a communication dated April 9, 2018 and signed by Kai Hertz (ORP/GCM). Also, I certify that resources from said funds are available for up to **US\$3,800,000** in order to finance the activities described and budgeted in this document. This certification reserves resource for the referenced project for a period of four (4) calendar months counted from the date of eligibility from the funding source. If the project is not approved by the IDB within that period, the reserve of resources will be cancelled, except in the case a new certification is granted. The commitment and disbursement of these resources shall be made only by the Bank in US dollars. The same currency shall be used to stipulate the remuneration and payments to consultants, except in the case of local consultants working in their own borrowing member country who shall have their remuneration defined and paid in the currency of such country. No resources of the Fund shall be made available to cover amounts greater than the amount certified herein above for the implementation of this operation. Amounts greater than the certified amount may arise from commitments on contracts denominated in a currency other than the Fund currency, resulting in currency exchange rate differences, represent a risk that will not be absorbed by the Fund.

CERTIFIED BY:

Original signed

May 8, 2018

Sonia M. Rivera

Date

Chief

Grants and Co-Financing Management Unit
ORP/GCM

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION DE-___/18

Regional. Nonreimbursable Technical Cooperation
Promoting Knowledge and Capacity Building
through the Regional Policy Dialogue

The Board of Executive Directors

RESOLVES:

1. That the President of the Inter-American Development Bank, or such representative as he shall designate, is authorized, in the name and on behalf of the Bank, to enter into such agreement or agreements as may be necessary, and to adopt such other measures as may be pertinent for the execution of the program contained in document AT-____, with respect to a nonreimbursable technical cooperation for "Promoting Knowledge and Capacity Building through the Regional Policy Dialogue" (the "Program").

2. That up to the equivalent of US\$3,800,000 is authorized for the financing of the Program, chargeable to the resources of the following Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Programs ("OC-SDP"): (i) up to US\$1,800,000 from the OC-SDP for Institutions; (ii) up to US\$600,000 from the OC-SDP for Infrastructure; (iii) up to US\$600,000 from the OC-SDP for Social Development; (iv) up to US\$600,000 from the OC-SDP for Sustainability; and (v) up to US\$200,000 from the OC-SDP for Integration.

3. That the above-mentioned sums are to be provided on a nonreimbursable basis.

(Adopted on _____ 2018)