

Drafting Group: First Meeting
Model Law and Implementation Guide on Access to Public Information for the Americas

-- September 2-3, 2009 --

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Wednesday, September 2

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| 9:00a.m. – 9:30a.m. | Opening remarks
<i>Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs</i>
<i>Department of International Law</i> |
| 9:30a.m. – 10:15a.m. | Calendar, Methodology, Definitions, Other Concerns
<i>Group Discussion</i> |
| 10:15a.m. – 11:00a.m. | Principles on Access to Information
<i>Presentation: Jaime Aparicio (10:15 - 10:30am)</i>
<i>Group Comments (10:30 - 11:00am)</i> |
| 11:00a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Model Law – Scope
<i>Presentation: David Stewart (11:00 - 11:15am)</i>
<i>Group Comments (11:15 – 11:30am)</i> |
| 11:30a.m. – 12:15p.m. | Model Law – Presumption of Publicity
<i>Presentation: Damian Cox (11:30 - 11:45am)</i>
<i>Group Comments (11:45am - 12:15pm)</i> |
| 12:15p.m. – 1:00p.m. | Model Law – Making a Request
<i>Presentation: Patricia Guillén Nolasco (12:15-12:30pm)</i>
<i>Group Comments (12:30 - 1:00pm)</i> |
| 1:00p.m. – 2:00p.m. | Lunch Break
<i>(Hall of Heroes)</i> |
| 2:00p.m. – 2:45p.m. | Model Law – Answering a Request
<i>Melanie Anne Pustay (2:00 – 2:15pm)</i>
<i>Group Comments (2:15 – 2:45pm)</i> |
| 2:45p.m. – 3:30p.m. | Model Law – Exceptions to Disclosure
<i>Presentation: Juan Pablo Olmedo (presented by Department of International Law 2:45 - 3:00pm)</i>
<i>Group Comments (3:00 - 3:30pm)</i> |
| 3:30p.m. – 4:30p.m. | Model Law – Oversight and Appeals
<i>Presentation: Sandra Coliver (3:30-- 3:45pm)</i>
<i>Group Comments (3:45 – 4:30)</i> |

4:30p.m. – 5:00p.m. Model Law – Closing Comments: Methodology, Areas not Covered, Other Remarks
Group Discussion

5:30p.m. – 7:00p.m. **Reception**
(Patio Azteca)

Thursday, September 3

9:30a.m. – 10:15a.m. Implementation Guide – Adoption of comprehensive framework
Presentation: Issa Luna Pla (9:30 - 9:45am)
Group Comments (9:45 - 10:15am)

10:15a.m. – 11:00a.m. Implementation Guide – Info management policies & systems
Presentation: Annie Goranson & Leslie Bar-Ness (10:15 -10:30am)
Group Comments (10:30 - 11:00am)

11:00a.m. – 11:45p.m. Implementation Guide – Capacity building for information users
Karina Banfi & Maria del Carmen Palau (11:00 - 11:15am)
Group Comments (11:15am - 11:45pm)

1:30p.m. – 12:30 p.m. Implementation Guide – Capacity building for information providers
Karina Banfi & Maria del Carmen Palau (11:45 - 12:00pm)
Group Comments (12:00 - 12 :30pm)

12:30p.m. – 1:30p.m. **Lunch Break**
(Hall of Heroes)

1:30p.m. – 2:30p.m. Implementation Guide – Monitoring enforcement/effectiveness of law
Presentation: Laura Neuman (1:30 – 1:45pm)
Group Comments (1:45 -2:30)

2:30p.m. – 3:00p.m. Closing Comments on Implementation Guide: Methodology, Areas not Covered, Other Remarks
Group Discussion

3:00p.m. – 3:30p.m. Overview of process going forward, steps before second meeting
Group Discussion