IX Inter-American Meeting of Ministers of Education

OAS Contributions for the Implementation of the Inter-American Education Agenda

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The IEA reiterates the commitment from Member States to the Sustainable Development Goals, specifically **Goal 4**: “Ensure inclusive and quality education for all and promote lifelong learning”

- Represents a major consensus and a road map for advancing toward cooperation to achieve a more inclusive, equitable, and quality education.

- Overarching Goals are to:
  - Raise the standards of education in the Region
  - Increase accessibility and available opportunities for all
  - Achieve greater policy coherence
  - Improve and enhance the transfer of knowledge
“The IEA will also promote coordination and integration with the efforts of the OAS and other international, regional and sub-regional organizations, as well as of the academic sector, the private sector, civil society and other stakeholders whose participation is vital to the design and strengthening of educational policies, programs, and initiatives in formal and non-formal settings, in line with resolution CIDI/REM/RES.1/15.”

Activities that promote:

• Effective access to and transfer of knowledge
• Continuous and cooperative dialogue for the sharing of good practices
• The coordination of regional, and sub-regional players for specialized programs and projects
Through a series of ongoing and planned projects and programs, the OAS is equipped and ready to contribute to the implementation of the IEA.

More information on these programs available at: CIDI/RME/inf.5/17
Virtual Platform for Education Cooperation in the Americas

Fulfillment of first Mandate from VIII Ministerial Meeting

Contains a series of features that enable interaction among Ministries and facilitate access to information

Sharing of best practices and mutual Knowledge

Main tool for the building of the IEA
Over 26,000 members of the Virtual Community of Practice: teachers, policymakers, and other stakeholders involved in the teaching profession in the Americas.

Online and onsite courses for teachers and school administrators

ITEN Audio (funding of up to $12,000) Toolkits, and Lesson Plan Library

Technical Cooperation Missions: 19 OAS member states have benefited from (funding up to $10,000)

Co-TEP online knowledge bank: +500 practices and resources available

www.oas.org/en/iten
Following Steps:
1. Leverage existing OAS Consortium for Teacher Education
2. Tailored programs for Government
3. Specific training needs in the Three Lines of Action
Offers affordable and quality professional development opportunities, for men and women, mainly in the form of online and blended courses.

- 30,000 + scholarships provided for citizens LAC
- The Portal primary function is to empower and build up institutional capacities for innovation in education; by designing and implementing strategies that include the use of ICT in the classroom.
- Customized programs based on a trainer-of-trainers model, new teaching and learning environments and methodologies
- Network for ICT Coordinators from the Ministries of Education and Science and technology.
Voluntary contribution fund, provides seed funding for the Development Priorities of Member states (small and vulnerable).

It has been decided that DCF funding for the next cycle will support the implementation of the Inter-American Education Agenda.

- Commitment of at least 1 million dollars
1. **Common Collections** - access to **more than 7,700 open educational resources** to be used, transformed and re-published by the Caribbean educational community.

2. Access free and open training opportunities

3. Use an online tool to develop their own materials based on their own curriculum.

4. Can develop country specific groups to share and organize for delivery in the classroom.
What we need from our Partners

- Existing and future programs and projects to support Member States
- Direct technical assistance for the Member States in the three lines of action of the Agenda
- Funding for regional, sub-regional, and national activities and specialized programs
- Coordination to avoid duplication