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RESOLUTION PROPOSAL

CONVOCACTION OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY THROUGH A VIRTUAL FORUM
(Presented by the Delegation of Panama as President of the COMCYT)

THE PERMANENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
COUNCIL ON INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT,

HAVING SEEN:

Resolutions CIDI/RES. 192 (XII-O/07), “Strengthening Mechanisms for Policy Dialogue for Integral Development”; CIDI/RES. 193 (XII-O/07), “Strengthening Technical Cooperation for Integral Development”; CIDI/RES. 194 (XII-O/07), “Strengthening the Substantive Policy Dialogue in the Framework of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development”; CIDI/RES. 213 (XIII-O/08) and CIDI/RES. 228 (XIV-O/09), “Strengthening Partnership for Development: Policy Dialogue, Technical Cooperation, Structure, and Mechanisms”; and CIDI/RES. 244 (XV-O/10), “Extension of the Mandate of the CEPCIDI Working Group to Strengthen CIDI and Its Organs”;

Resolutions AG/RES. 2303 (XXXVII-O/07), “Strengthening Mechanisms for Policy Dialogue for Integral Development”; AG/RES. 2304 (XXXVII-O/07), “Strengthening Technical Cooperation for Integral Development”; AG/RES. 2305 (XXXVII-O/07), “Strengthening the Substantive Policy Dialogue in the Framework of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development”; AG/RES. 2390 (XXXVIII-O/08) and AG/RES. 2469 (XXXIX-O/09), “Strengthening Partnership for Development: Policy Dialogue, Technical Cooperation, Structure, and Mechanisms”; and AG/RES. 2609 (XL-O/10), “Extension of the Mandate of the CEPCIDI Working Group to Strengthen CIDI and Its Organs”;

Resolutions AG/RES. 2303 (XXXVII-O/07) and CIDI/RES. 178 (XI-O/06), “Strategic Plan for Partnership for Development 2006-2009”; AG/RES. 2474 (XXXIX-O/09), CIDI/RES. 218 (XIV-O/09), AG/RES. 2583 (XL-O/10), and CIDI/RES. 237 (XV-O/10), “Extension of the Term of the Strategic Plan for Partnership for Integral Development 2006-2009”;

Resolution CEPCIDI/RES.175/10 (CLXIV-O/10), “Strengthening of the Special Multilateral Fund of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (FEMCIDI): Establishment of a Transition Period Aimed at Putting into Practice the Proposed Structure for FEMCIDI”; and

Resolution [CEPCIDI/doc.997/11](#), “Key Themes for Partnership for Development in the Science and Technology Sector within the Framework of the Special Multilateral Fund of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development”;

CEPCIDI decision on the proposal of holding online the “design meeting” in science and technology (Phase III of the structure of FEMCIDI: programming schematic flowchart) [CEPCIDI/doc.1034/12](#)

CONSIDERING:

That CEPCIDI defined the following two key themes for partnership for development in the science and technology sector within the framework of FEMCIDI: (i) Strengthening national quality infrastructure, with emphasis on metrology, to ensure competitiveness of micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs); and (ii) Promoting improvements in science and engineering education to foster innovation, entrepreneurship and competitiveness (including specialized networks, technology parks and business incubators for MSMEs), and the CEPCIDI considered and adopted the corresponding programmatic approaches ([CEPCIDI/doc.1003/11_rev2](#) and [CEPCIDI/doc.1004/11_rev2](#))

That the member states have been invited to submit project concepts based on these new programmatic approaches and that these project concepts were evaluated by the Non Permanent Specialized Committee on Science and Technology CENPES as approved by the CEPCIDI decision ([CEPCIDI/doc.1034/12](#)), the CENPES recommendations are contained in the Final Report of the

Non Permanent Specialized Committee on Science and Technology – Phase 1: project concepts [CIDI/CENPES/doc.10/12](#).

As a next step, and taking into consideration the Management Board decision made during the meeting held on April 17, 2012, the project concepts that went through the CENPES analysis process will enter the next phase of the new FEMCIDI structure. This next step is the Design Meeting that must be held virtually under the framework of the Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology;

HAVING SEEN the note from the President of the Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology COMCYT, proposing to hold a COMCYT Virtual Forum in order to complete the selection process of the science and technology projects to be financed by the Special Multilateral Fund of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (FEMCIDI) for the 2010-2012 cycle, from July 18 to July 22, 2012.

RESOLVES:

1. To acknowledge the particular importance of continuing to strengthen the Special Multilateral Fund of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (FEMCIDI) and the next stages of its transition period aimed at putting into practice its proposed new structure.

2. To convene the Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology (COMCYT) to consider any project profiles submitted by the member states under the key themes approved by resolution [CEPCIDI/doc.997/11](#) and its corresponding programmatic approaches ([CEPCIDI/doc.1003/11 rev2](#) and [CEPCIDI/doc.1004/11 rev2](#)). This meeting will be held through a virtual forum that will remain open between June 18 and 22, 2012.

3. To use funds from the Chapter 7, Subprogram 72H of the program-budget for 2011 of the Organization for the translation of all previous, actual, and future documents of this COMCYT virtual forum in two languages.

4. To instruct the General Secretariat, to provide support, through the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI), for the preparations for the Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology, and to report periodically to the Permanent Executive Committee of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CEPCIDI) on this process.