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The Organization of American States and the Green Growth Knowledge Platform Announce

New Knowledge Partnership

Both organizations will work jointly to contribute to regional green growth, research and knowledge efforts.

Washington, DC July 3, 2013 - [The Organization of American States \(OAS\)](#) and the [Green Growth Knowledge Platform \(GGKP\)](#) have recently formalized a partnership to extend knowledge generation, sharing of best practices and support communications and outreach activities with all [OAS Department of Sustainable Development \(Executive Secretariat for Integral Development-SEDI-\)](#) networks and clearinghouse mechanisms. The Department of Sustainable Development is the OAS, technical arm that translates sustainable development and environmental protection goals into concrete actions and is responsible for coordinating extensive regional networks such as the [Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas \(ECPA\)](#), the [Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership \(REEEP\)](#), the [Pathways to prosperity](#) in the Americas, the [Inter-American Disaster Mitigation network \(RIMD\)](#), the [Inter-American Biodiversity Network](#), the [Inter-American Water Resources Management](#) and the [Inter-American Forum on Environmental Law \(FIDA\)](#) among other networks and clearinghouses,

The GGKP, an initiative founded by the [Global Green Growth Institute \(GGGI\)](#), the [Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development \(OECD\)](#), the [United Nations Environment Programme \(UNEP\)](#) and the [World Bank \(WB\)](#), seeks to enhance and expand efforts to identify and address major knowledge gaps in green growth theory and practice, while helping countries design and implement policies to move towards a green economy. Furthermore, this knowledge -based alliance will also help showcase the OAS' technical expertise and broadly disseminate its prominent Development work and accomplishments throughout the Americas.

This partnership between the OAS and the GGKP will pursue to foster hemispheric economic growth, social development and further develop means for sharing and exchanging green growth theory and practice information. Hence, it is expected for this institutional collaboration to be mutually beneficial, and undoubtedly instrumental for fostering a green growth community along the region, as well as a valuable means for moving toward a more sustainable and inclusive development.