INFORMATION AND DIALOGUE ON DEMOCRACY

The Information and Dialogue area strengthens the Unit's role to disseminate and exchange knowledge on democracy, contributing to information and discussion on the consolidation of democracy in the hemisphere.

The mission of the area is to meet the information needs of member states and others on democracy by compiling, producing and disseminating information, providing a web site, an electronic news bulletin, and other written and electronic information resources. The area also promotes dialogue and an exchange of ideas on opportunities in, and challenges to, democratic processes and in stitutions.







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PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

Supports member countries in their efforts to disseminate and promote the Inter-American Democratic Charter, with the following activities:

- → Production of promotional spots for television and radio
- → Distance Learning Courses for teachers of primary and secondary age children on the principles and values in the Democratic Charter(in cooperation with UNED *)
- → Publication for children on the Democratic Charter (in cooperation with IIN **)
- → Distribution of a booklet version of the C h a r t e r
- → Enhance Research on the Democratic Charter
- → Publication of the history of the development of the Democratic Charter

* Spanish National Distance Education University

** Inter-American Children's Institute



INFORMATION PROGRAM

Compiles information on democracy in the hemisphere, and publicizes efforts made by the OAS, the UPD, and other organizations working to promote democracy in the region using:

- Reports and publications
- ▼ Internet Page http://www.upd.oas.org/
- UPDate electronic newsletter
- → Political Database of the Americas (in collaboration with Georgetown University)
 http://www.georgetown.edu/pdba/

DEMOCRATIC FORUM

Encourages the exchange of ideas at the highest political and academic levels on the most pressing and relevant issues for democracy in the hemisphere in such as:

- Convening discussions of practitioners and experts
- → Cooperating with other organizations and institutions in the hemisphere when appropriate
- → Disseminating the results of the fora





NETWORK OF ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND CENTERS FOR RESEARCH ON DEMOCRACY

To encourage academic research on democracy in the hemisphere, as well as increased interchange of information on democracy by the following activities:

- → Establishing a hemisphere network of academic institutions and centers for research on democracy
- Promoting interaction and exchange of research results between institutions, experts and citizens