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**CITEL PROGRAM OF TELECOMMUNICATION COURSES FOR 2014**

The XXVII Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL, COM/CITEL,

**CONSIDERING:**

- a) The report of the Coordination Center for the Development of Human Resources on the results of the 2013 CITEL training program;
- b) That it is essential to constantly update training for telecommunication/information and communication technology (ICT) personnel, taking into account the dynamic sector environment;
- c) That the budgetary allocation for scholarships in the OAS Regular Fund for 2014 is not yet available.

**RECOGNIZING:**

- a) The successful experience of 2013, in which CITEL associate members offered scholarships for highly technical courses at no cost to CITEL; and
- b) The increased demand for virtual sessions on telecommunication/information and communication technology (ICT) update related subjects that do not require a greater budget allocation from CITEL,

**RESOLVES:**

- 1. To authorize the Coordination Center for the Development of Human Resources to draw up an initial program of CITEL courses for 2014 based on priority training needs and the budget for scholarships, which shall be circulated among the Member States for their consideration and adoption.
- 2. To establish a program of virtual sessions on telecommunication/information and communication technology (ICT) update related subjects.
- 3. To ask the Secretariat of CITEL to liaise with bodies that offer telecommunication/information and communication technology (ICT) training with the objective of establishing training Cooperation Agreements allowing the needs of the region to be met.
- 4. To establish that in the event that the Department of Human Resources of the Organization of American States (OAS) issues an invitation to participate in the Competition for the Professional Development Scholarships Program for 2015, the Coordination Center would participate in cases where the Institutes are interested in sharing the costs corresponding to scholarships.
- 5. To thank the Department of Human Resources of the OAS for the ongoing and excellent support provided in disseminating the course offerings of CITEL and to emphasize the importance for the Member States of having telecommunications/information technology training programs, and for their recognized contribution to sustainable development and poverty reduction.

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6. To thank the Center of Excellence for the Americas Region of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for all support and collaboration it provides to CITELE in the holding of the courses.

7. To establish the following conditions on which the courses will be offered, unless otherwise indicated in *resolves* 1:

- The maximum number of students in each online course group will be: 35 participants.
- The maximum registration fee for all online courses with a scholarship through CITELE will be US\$ 200.
- The maximum cost of travel for all taught courses with a scholarship through CITELE will be US\$ 700.
- That 10% of the total amount collected as registration fees from all online course participants imparted by OAS/CITELE will be deposited in the specific scholarship funds account that will be utilized as a reserve (seed) fund budget for the program of courses for coming years, whose use would be authorized through the Coordination Center for the Development of Human Resources.