

COM/CITEL/RES. 271 (XXXI-15)¹

CITEL PROGRAM OF TELECOMMUNICATION COURSES FOR 2016

The 31 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 2015 CITEL training program;
- b) That the results of the OAS Professional Development Program Competition are still not available, and neither is information on the available scholarship budget for 2016,

RECOGNIZING:

That CITEL's Regional Training Centers and the Center of Excellence of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) provide effective training in telecommunications/ICTs,

RESOLVES:

1. To send to the Member States a survey on training priorities for 2016, which is found in Annex 4 of the Report of the Coordination for Human Resource Development, requesting a response before January 31, 2016.
2. To authorize the Coordination Center for Human Resource Development to: (a) select, based on the available scholarship budget, those courses with higher training priority according to the Member States; (b) schedule the course dates in compliance with the rules of the OAS.
3. To establish that, in the event the Department of Human Resources of the Organization of American States (OAS) issues an invitation to participate in the Competition for the 2016 Professional Development Scholarships Program, the Coordination Center would participate in those cases where the Institutes are interested in sharing scholarship costs under the conditions of the OAS.
4. To authorize the Coordination, if possible, to reallocate the scholarships amounts awarded in case the evaluation materials and draft invitation are not ready at least three months in advance of the scheduled start of the course.
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, requesting that utmost priority be given to this training, taking into account the recognized contribution of telecommunications/information and communication technologies (ICTs) to sustainable development and poverty reduction.
6. To establish the following conditions in which the courses will be offered, unless otherwise stated in *resolves* 1:

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- 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, corresponding to 50% of the registration fee.
- That 10% of the total amount collected as registration fees from all participants in the online courses delivered by OAS/CITELE will be deposited in a specific scholarship funds account, which will be utilized as a reserve (seed) fund budget for the course program in coming years, and whose use would be authorized through the Coordination Center for the Development of Human Resources.

7. To establish a program of virtual sessions on updated topics related to telecommunication/information and communication technologies (ICTs).

8. To ask the Secretariat of CITELE to liaise with bodies that offer training in telecommunication/ICTs with the objective of establishing training Cooperation Agreements allowing the needs of the region to be met.

9. To urge the Administrations to submit candidates for the scholarships to be offered for the 2016 course program, so as to not miss the opportunity being offered.

INSTRUCTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO:

1. Support the Coordination Center for the Development of Human Resources in anything they need.
2. Perform as broad a dissemination of these courses as possible.