Report on the activities carried out by the technical secretariat of the regional process on Principle 10 in Latin America and the Caribbean

Sustainable Development and Human Settlements Division

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SIGNATORY COUNTRIES A/CONF.216/13.

Mexico
GDP/Cap: 10.528 USD
Population: 124.612
IDH: 0.756

Guatemala
GDP/Cap: 3.663 USD
Population: 16.382
IDH: 0.627

El Salvador
GDP/Cap: 4.012 USD
Population: 6.298
IDH: 0.666

Costa Rica
GDP/Cap: 10.387 USD
Population: 4.821
IDH: 0.766

Panama
GDP/Cap: 12.744 USD
Population: 3.929
IDH: 0.780

Honduras
GDP/Cap: 3.663 USD
Population: 16.382
IDH: 0.627

Ecuador
GDP/Cap: 6.346 USD
Population: 16.144
IDH: 0.732

Peru
GDP/Cap: 6.335 USD
Population: 31.383
IDH: 0.666

Bolivia
GDP/Cap: 3.731 USD
Population: 10.737
IDH: 0.734

Chile
GDP/Cap: 14.68 USD
Population: 18.089
IDH: 0.832

Argentina
GDP/Cap: 12.783 USD
Population: 43.298
IDH: 0.836

Source: Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) on the basis of:
- GDP/Cap: Dollars at current market prices and total population (Thousands of persons, at mid-year).

Note: The names and boundaries shown on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.
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Fourteen meetings of the Working Groups
Calendar of the regional process (2015-2018)

Santiago Decision (November 2014)

Organization and Work Plan of the Negotiating Committee (May 2015)

Preliminary document of the regional agreement (31 March 2015)

Compilation text prepared by the Presiding Officers with language proposals

8th version

First meeting of the Negotiating Committee (ECLAC, Santiago)

Second meeting of the Negotiating Committee (Panama City)

Third meeting of the Negotiating Committee (Uruguay)

Fourth meeting of the Negotiating Committee (Dominican Republic)

Fifth meeting of the Negotiating Committee (ECLAC, Santiago)

Sixth meeting of the Negotiating Committee (Brasilia)

Seventh meeting of the Negotiating Committee (Buenos Aires)

Eighth meeting of the Negotiating Committee (ECLAC, Santiago)

Intersessional meetings (virtual)

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Ninth meeting of the Negotiating Committee (San José, Costa Rica)

20-24.03.17

27.11.17

28-2-18
Organization of the work

NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE
Decision-making body

Presiding Officers
Co-chairs:
Vice-chairs:

Coordination of the process

PUBLIC

ECLAC Technical Secretariat

Virtual meetings 19 Jan, 19 and 27 Feb 2018

Preamble
Article 2 (definitions)
Article 4 (general provisions)
Arts. 5 and 6 (information)
Articulo 7 (participation)
Articulo 8 (justice)
Arts. 10-12 (capacity-building)
Arts. 13-25 (institutional arrangements and final provisions)

Virtual meetings 10 Jan 2018
Virtual meetings 11 Jan 2018
Virtual meetings 15 Jan 2018
16 Feb 2018
Capacity-building: a key element that advances in parallel with the negotiation

- **San José**
  - September 2014
  - Regional Workshop Implementation of Principle 10
  - January 2016
  - Workshop on environmental expenditures

- **Tegucigalpa (Honduras)**
  - May 2017
  - Roundtable discussion on the regional agreement

- **Kingston**
  - March 2013
  - Regional Conference on the Freedom of Information

- **Santo Domingo**
  - August 2016
  - Capacity-building and good practices workshop (Principle 10)

- **St. George’s (Grenada) – Roseau (Dominica)**
  - June 2017
  - Workshops on Principle 10 (Govt. and public)

- **Basseterre (St. Kitts)**
  - October-November 2016
  - Caribbean Youth Environment Congress and Public Officers Workshop

- **Castries (St. Lucia)**
  - August 2015
  - Regional implementation meeting on access rights in the Caribbean and workshop on climate change and natural disasters

- **Panamá**
  - October 2015
  - Capacity-building workshop for civil society organizations on participation in international negotiations on environmental matters

- **Lima**
  - October 2013
  - Taller Regional Workshop on the Implementation of Principle 10 and the application of the Bali Guidelines

- **Santiago de Chile**
  - October 2012
  - ICTs and Sustainable Development in LAC
  - December 2013
  - Workshop on Environmental Information
  - October 2014
  - Regional workshop on PRTR
  - July 2016
  - Seminar mining, SDGs and environmental democracy
  - May 2017
  - Regional course on international law
  - November 2017
  - Workshop on corporate sustainability reporting

- **Montevideo**
  - June 2014
  - Seminar on Principle 10 and the regional process
  - April 2016
  - Workshop on participation in environmental decision-making
  - diciembre 2017
  - Workshop on Climate Change and Principle 10
Latest publications and supporting documents
Dissemination

Info graphics

News bulletin – 35 issues (ES – EN) (2 new bulletins)

Fact-sheet (ES – EN - PR)
Regional Public Mechanism: 3578 (25.02.2018)
Regional Public Mechanism

Number of people registered by country (in decreasing order)

- Chile
- Argentina
- Colombia
- Perú
- México
- Other Latin America
- Brasil
- Ecuador
- Other
- Bolivia (Plur. State of)
- Costa Rica
- Honduras
- Antigua and Barbuda
- Uruguay
- Panamá
- Guatemala
- El Salvador
- Other Caribbean
- Paraguay
- Trinidad and Tobago
- Jamaica
- Grenada
- Dominica
- Saint Kitts and Nevis
- Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Dissemination

Países de la región esperan concluir en Costa Rica negociaciones para acuerdo regional en asuntos ambientales

La Novena Reunión del Comité de Negociación del Acuerdo Regional sobre el Acceso a la Información, la Participación Pública y el Acceso a la Justicia en Asuntos Ambientales en América Latina y el Caribe se llevará a cabo en San José, Costa Rica, del 28 de febrero al 4 de marzo de 2018. El objetivo de esta reunión es concluir la negociación del acuerdo regional sobre la base de la octava versión del texto compuesto por la Mesa Directiva que integra las propuestas de texto de los países.

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