

**INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR  
GLOBAL CHANGE RESEARCH  
(IAI)**

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**Annex - document 6**

**Annex to the Report of the Director to the EC and the CoP (document 6)**  
**13<sup>th</sup> EC and 8<sup>th</sup> CoP Meetings**

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**V. NEW ACTIVITIES**

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**A. Scientific / Capacity Building**

1. Announcement of Opportunity:
  - IAI Science Grant Phase II;
  - Co-funded T&E activities between IAI and education institutions of the region.
2. Scientific Synthesis of the IAI program
3. Human Dimensions Open Science Meeting
4. Sustainability Science Workshop

**B. Communication**

1. Development of a long-term marketing strategy (CTF report).
2. Press releases in member countries.

**C. Institutional**

1. Internal IDB Seminars
2. High Level Ministerial Meeting

**IAI Science Grant Phase II (IAI SGP-II)**

- The IAI SGP-II are one-time awards that may be used for activities that in the future will facilitate the development of larger science programs leading to new Cooperative Research Networks.
- Grants may be used to support meetings or research falling within IAI research themes. Awards will be made for one year and shall be limited at 30-50 K for research and 10-15 K for meetings.
- Priority Criteria:
  - Participants:
    - junior researchers not previously involved in IAI programs;
    - students of ISP or CRN projects;
    - not current PIs.

Themes:

- Applications within them IV of the IAI Science Agenda.

- Participating Institutions

Researchers from institutions of at least 3 ratifying countries.

- Total Funding

US\$ 300,000 (NSF) + ... ?

“Equal division of funds between participating countries should be encouraged.” (SAC-XV – May 2001)

### **Co-funded Training and Education Activities**

Rationale: Based on:

- the reorganized success of the Summer-Institute-type of training;
- the existence of some remaining funds from the PESCA program (US\$ 60,000);
- that many educational/research institutions of Latin America and the Caribbean has expressed to the IAI Director their willingness to host and co-fund training activities on global change themes of common interest;
- that the IAI needs to continue to regularly offer training opportunities.

Proposal:

The IAI will make an open call for proposals that will co-fund a “Summer-Institute-like type” between IAI and the proponent institution.

Criteria:

Theme: Should be one of societal relevance allowing for mixed participation of natural and social scientists.

15 participants: one criteria could be:

- Funds from IAI prioritized to scientists of countries that were included in PESCA as “those with less active participation in IAI on-going research programs”.
- Funds from proponent institutions prioritized to scientists of the country and the region.

There may be other criteria to direct the funds of both institutions.

Course responsibility: 1 local coordinator;  
2 leaders;  
6 guest lecturers.

Duration: 15 days

Total Funding: 80-100 K

The SAC (in its 15<sup>th</sup> meeting) endorsed the idea and asked the Director to proceed with this initiative.