

Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Action on Transdisciplinary Research for Pathways to Sustainability

Annex: Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research (IAI)

Funding: The IAI will not be providing financial support to this phase of the CRA. No requests for monetary support can be considered at this time. Funding may be available at later phases of the CRA.

In-Kind Contribution: For more than 25 years the IAI has supported and implemented inter- and trans-disciplinary, international Collaborative Research Networks (CRNs) and small grant programs (SGPs) for global change sciences involving nearly 1000 investigators from over 350 research institutions in 19 countries in the Americas (<http://www.iai.int/en/research/projects>).

Facilitate network building. For this phase of the Pathways to Sustainability CRA, the IAI will facilitate network building with teams of investigators from the most recent CRN projects: <http://www.iai.int/en/post/detail/3%C2%BA-programa-de-redes-de-investigaci%C3%B3n-cooperativa-crn-3> and the current small grants program, “The role of ecosystem services in adaptation to global change for human wellbeing” (SGP-HW): <http://www.iai.int/en/post/detail/small-grants-program-sgp-hw>. The IAI will host Zoom meetings, enable collaborative webinars, and provide direct connections with IAI-sponsored projects to enable the IAI network of scientists and stakeholders to engage with international partners in response to this Belmont Forum CRA. The IAI can also facilitate direct communication with national governments. The IAI will seek to augment synergies among currently funded IAI projects and those selected for support in this phase of the CRA.

Provide training and capacity building. The IAI brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in transdisciplinary (TD) approaches in the Americas and aims to provide training and capacity building to teams whenever possible. CRA teams with LAC participants may be invited to participate in the IAI’s capacity building and TD training activities throughout the duration of the projects, when topically relevant.

Enable IAI Party contributions. The IAI will disseminate this CRA with its 19 Parties in the Americas and will coordinate directly with Parties to facilitate the provision of national resources available for this call. Parties that have expressed interest in providing in-kind support, resources, and personnel are the Instituto de Hidrología, Meteorología y Estudios Ambientales (IDEAM) of Colombia and the Instituto Nacional de Investigación Agropecuaria (INIA) of Uruguay. INIA has expressed interest in providing technical, scientific expertise and infrastructure (i.e. Long-term Agro-Environmental Experimental Platform). *This list will be updated pending confirmation of additional Party involvement.*

Eligibility: Any natural or social scientist or stakeholder as described in the call text from one of the 19 Parties of the IAI: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil (excluding São Paulo), Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela – *except where a Party is a Belmont Forum member and participating in this CRA – in this case, the United States of America (NSF) and the State of São Paulo, Brazil (FAPESP).*

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