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NOTIFICATION

Subject: Invitation to UNOSSC-UNFCCC-IAI Workshop South-South Cooperation for Climate and Sustainable Development Progress - Latin American and Caribbean Climate Forum (LACCF)

Dear Madam, Sir,

The IAI Directorate, the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will host a Workshop on South-South Cooperation for Climate and Sustainable Development Progress on 20 August 2018 from 8:00.am to 12:30 pm in the Radisson Victoria Plaza Hotel, Montevideo, Uruguay during the Latin American and Caribbean Climate Forum (LACCF). In addition, the IAI will participate in the UNFCCC Regional TEM-A event on Adaptation planning for vulnerable groups, communities and ecosystems to be held on the same day from 14:00 to 18:00.

The LACCF, to be held from 20 to 23 August 2018, is co-organized by the different United Nations organizations and conventions, development banks and other organizations. The LACCF will provide participants with the latest developments regarding emissions trading schemes, low carbon development and the future of the carbon markets to facilitate discussion on the international and national climate change mitigation policies that aim to promote greenhouse gases (GHG) emission reductions. More information on the LACCF is available at: www.latincarbon.com

The entry into force of the Paris Agreement has provided many countries with the momentum needed to meet the challenges posed by greenhouse-gas-emissions and the development and implementation of effective mitigation and adaptation policies. Many of these successful efforts have been based on South-South cooperation, a development approach adopted by several organizations and countries in the South as a means to strengthen cooperation by matching resources, skills and capacities.

In this context, the UNOSSC-UNFCCC-IAI Workshop aims to present new initiatives using SCC and triangular cooperation in the Latin American and the Caribbean region. Discussions will focus on how to make full use of science to overcome shared challenges for accelerated progress towards sustainable development and implementation of the Paris Agreement.

We invite you and members of your country's delegation to participate in the Workshop. The Agenda is annexed for ease of reference and more information is available on the IAI website at: http://www.iai.int/UNOSSC-UNFCCC-IAI-Workshop-SSC.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Marcos Regis da Silva Executive Director



2018 Latin American & Caribbean Climate Week Workshop on South-South and Technological Cooperation for Climate Action and Sustainable Development

Co-organizers:	United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC)
	Technology Executive Committee (TEC)
	Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research (IAI)
Date:	20 August 2018
Time:	9:00h - 12:45h
Venue:	Ballroom D3, Radisson Victoria Plaza Hotel, Montevideo, Uruguay, Latin American and Caribbean Climate Week

Context:

With entry into force of the Paris Agreement under the UNFCCC, countries move progressively towards getting ready for its effective implementation. In the meantime, the United Nations system and United Nations Member States seek to put in place more integrated and coherent approaches towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the goals of the Paris Agreement.

In the context of supporting developing countries' nationally-determined actions to address climate change and achieve sustainable development, the role of South-South and Triangular cooperation becomes more important. Yet, the opportunities offered by these types of cooperation remain to be fully exploited. South-South cooperation, including technological cooperation for climate adaptation and mitigation activities, plays a key complementary role to that of North-South cooperation in ensuring that resources, skills, and capacities provided and developed to enable developing countries to achieve their sustainable development goals and implement the Paris Agreement.

Objectives:

The objective of this meeting is to engage relevant stakeholders of developing countries in the Latin American and Caribbean region to:

- 1. Enhance the understanding and the awareness of the potential of South-south cooperation and Triangular cooperation in the region;
- 2. Gain insight on how to make full use of the critical and complementary role of South-South cooperation and Triangular cooperation to overcome shared challenges and accelerate progress towards sustainable development and implementation of the Paris Agreement;
- 3. Provide space for exchange experiences among countries with a view to initiating or scaling up South-South cooperation initiatives.

The meeting will present success stories of South-South and Triangular cooperation, including technological cooperation, discuss relevant lessons learned and potential for replicability, and explore concrete and practical ways forward to enhance South-south and Triangular cooperation to combat climate change and to achieve sustainable development.



Agenda

	Opening Remarks
09:00 - 09:30	 Jorge Rucks, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Housing, Territorial Planning and Environment, National Directorate of the Environment, Uruguay Manuel Pulgar-Vidal, Former Minister of Environment, Peru, and COP20 President; Leader of Climate and Energy Practice, WWF Marcos Regis da Silva, Executive Director, Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (video message) Jorge Chediek, Secretary-General's Envoy on South-South Cooperation and Director, United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (video message)
09:30 - 10:30	Introductory Presentation
	- United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation
	Session I: Experiences, opportunities and challenges of South-South and Triangular Cooperation in the Latin American and Caribbean region
	This session presents a look back on what countries have learned so far on approaches, success stories, and challenges of South-South and Triangular cooperation, including technological cooperation in the Latin American and Caribbean region. It explores their impacts and lessons learned, the challenges they have overcome as well as potential for their replication.
	Moderator: Mariama Williams, Senior Programme Officer, Global Governance for Development Programme, The South Centre
	Presenters
	 Mariano Jordan, Director for Innovation and Cooperation, Ministry of Science, Technology and Productive Innovation, Argentina Adelle Thomas, Scientific Advisor, University of The Bahamas/Climate Analytics Mr. Carlos Cecil Fuller, International and Regional Liaison Officer, Office of the Executive Director, Caribbean Community Climate Change Center Gladys Santis, Climate Change Officer and Chile Focal Point to the IAI, Division of Climate Change, Ministry of the Environment, Chile Gabriel Aintablian, Vice-Chair, Institute of Meteorology, Uruguay
10:30 - 10:40	Coffee break
10:40 - 11:40	Session II: South-South and Triangular Cooperation among non-state actors at the subnational and urban level in the Latin American and Caribbean region
	More than 80% percent population in LACCW lives in urban areas. This session presents policy and scientific dialogue focusing on how cooperation among non-state actors in particular at city level can be enhanced to address climate change and to achieve sustainable development.
	Moderator: Raul O'Ryan, Director, Centre for Climate Science and Resilience (CR2) Chile
	Panelists



	 Rodrigo de Oliveira Perpétuo, Executive Secretary, ICLEI South América Dario Gomez, Scientist, National Atomic Energy Commission, Argentina Jussara de Lima Carvalho, International Affairs Advisor, Secretariat for Environment, São Paulo State Government Patricia Himschoot, Manager, Climate Change, Buenos Aires City Government Michel Carles Tapia, Regional Metropolitan Government of Santiago
11:40 - 12:40	Session III: The way forward - Advancing SSC for effective implementation of Paris Agreement and sustainable development in the Latin American and Caribbean region
	Taking into account experiences shared in the previous session, this session will explore concrete and pragmatic ways, including on methodological aspects, relevant instruments and modalities that may be used to design, finance and implement South-South and Triangular cooperation initiatives. Speakers are encouraged to share their perspectives and insights on how to further advance South-South cooperation, on the road towards the effective implementation of the Paris Agreement and 2030 Agenda for sustainable development.
	Moderator: Andrea Camponogara, TEC Liaison Officer, Technology Sub-Programme, Finance, Technology and Capacity Building (FTC) Programme, United Nations Convention on Climate Change secretariat
	Panelists
	 Manuel Pulgar-Vidal, Former Minister of Environment, Peru, and COP20 President; Leader of Climate and Energy Practice, WWF Ignacio Lorenzo, Director Climate Change Office, Ministry of Housing, Territorial Planning and the Environment, Uruguay Pedro Borges, Research Director Institute of Advanced Studies – IDEA (Ministry of People's Power for University Education, Science and Technology) Av. José Anel Lamas, Venezuela, UNFCCC TEC member, Venezuela
	 Raul O'Ryan, Director, Centre for Climate Science and Resilience (CR2) Chile Kathya Fajardo, Agriculture and Climate Change Specialist, Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture
12:40 - 12:45	Wrap-up and closing UNOSSC/IAI/TEC