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Decision XXV/25: Enhancing activity of IAI Member Country Representatives

1. This document has been prepared by the IAI Directorate in collaboration with Chile as Chair of the Committee for the analysis of Member Country participation.

Background

2. The Conference of the Parties, at its 23rd meeting (Lima, Peru), adopted Decision XXIII/18 which states:

The CoP decided to charge the EC with creating a committee that would analyze member country participation in the IAI in terms of participation in IAI meetings, payment of contributions and participation in IAI science projects. The group would establish a strategy to contact inactive countries and would send letters to those countries. All the Parties will sign the communications from the group.

3. The Executive Council, at its 40th meeting, adopted action XL/8, which established:

... a committee to work on the participation of member countries in the IAI. Members of the committee are Argentina, Canada, Chile (Chair) and Paraguay.

4. Canada, at CoP-24 (Santiago, 2016), declined to continue as a member of the Committee.

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5. The Conference of the Parties, at its 25th meeting (Bogota, 2017), adopted Decision XXV/25: Enhancing activity of IAI Member Country Representatives which states:

The CoP encourages proactive participation by country representatives in IAI meetings, reporting on IAI research project results in their countries, and working for the timely payment of country contributions.

Enhancing the activities of Parties

Proactive participation by country representatives in IAI meetings

6. A detailed summary of activities by Parties in IAI scientific projects, including the 3rd iteration of the Collaborative Research Networks (CRN3) is provided in the *Report of the IAI Directorate: Science*, document no. IAI/COP/26/14¹, particularly paragraphs 15 to 24 and 32.
7. A detailed summary of activities by Parties in IAI capacity building and science-policy related meetings is provided in the *Report of the IAI Directorate: Capacity building*², document no. IAI/COP/26/15, paragraphs 24 to 29
8. A detailed summary of activities by Parties in meetings hosted by United Nations multilateral agreements and organizations and co-organized with the IAI Directorate is provided in the *Report of the IAI Directorate: Global outreach and cooperation*³, document no. IAI/COP/26/16, paragraphs 12 and 24. Additional information is provided also in the *Report of the IAI Directorate: Science Policy*, document no. IAI/COP/26/17, paragraphs 14 to 18.
9. Parties are invited to review the relevant sections cited in the reports above.

Working for the timely payment of country contributions

10. During the intersessional period, meetings were held between the IAI Directorate and several Parties regarding the need to make timely submission of country contributions. Meetings were held between the IAI Directorate and Brazil, Guatemala, Jamaica and Paraguay.
11. Meetings are planned with Bolivia, Cuba, Peru and Venezuela.

¹ See: <http://www.iai.int/wp-content/uploads/iai-cop-26-14-e.pdf>

² See: <http://www.iai.int/wp-content/uploads/iai-cop-26-15-e.pdf>

³ See: <http://www.iai.int/wp-content/uploads/iai-cop-26-16-e.pdf>

12. A detailed summary of Party contributions, including Parties late with due contributions, is provided in the report *Financial and Budgetary matters, Annex 2: Core Budget and Country Contributions for FY 2018-2019*, document no. IAI/COP/26/5/Annex2⁴.
13. Parties are reminded on the need to make timely contributions to the Core budget to ensure the effective and non-interrupted operations of the IAI Directorate.

Recommendation

14. The Conference of the Parties is invited to take note of this document.

⁴ See: <http://www.iai.int/wp-content/uploads/iai-cop-26-5-annex2-e.pdf>