



INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL CHANGE RESEARCH

**Twenty-Third Conference of the Parties (CoP) of the IAI  
Lima, Peru, 24-25 June 2015**

**Decision and actions**

**Day 1**

1. The CoP elected the following members as the Bureau for its Twenty Third Session: José Macharé from Peru as the Chair, Rebecca Plumadore from Canada as the First Vice-Chair, and Jean-Pierre Ometto from Brazil as the Second Vice-Chair.
2. The CoP elected the new members of the Credentials Committee: Argentina, Canada, United States and Tania Sánchez from the IAI Directorate. The committee in its composition is appointed for two years and the members are requested to serve in the period between sessions.
3. The CoP approved the agenda of its twenty-third session with the inclusion of a discussion on open science.
4. The CoP approved the report of its twenty-second session.
5. The Credentials Committee informed the CoP that nine delegations had submitted the official credentials to participate in the Conference: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Panamá, Paraguay, Perú, United States and Uruguay. Required number of accredited Parties to constitute quorum is eight.
6. The CoP elected by consensus the following members to the SPAC:
  - Javier Gracia Garza, Luis Basterra, Maria Netto, and James Rusak from nominations by the Parties;
  - Walter Baethgen and Yolanda Kakabadse from nominations by the SPAC;
  - Brigitte Baptiste, Carlos Henrique de Brito Cruz, and Nicolas Lucas from nominations by the Directorate.Alternate candidates are Heather Conley (nominated by the Parties) and Robert Corell (nominated by the SPAC).
7. The CoP elected by consensus the following members to the SAC: Alicia Fernandez Cirelli and Edwin Castellanos from nominations by the Parties.
8. The CoP approved the renewal of the term of the Implementation Committee for the Tripartite Structure of the IAI until the next CoP. The committee will maintain its terms of reference and membership: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador (Vice-chair), USA (Chair) and Uruguay. The committee shall be open to all the Parties.
9. The CoP endorses the participation of the IAI in Future Earth as long as this participation implies an equitable association between regional and global entities and provides also considerable flexibility for future design and redesign.



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1. The CoP approved the list of decisions and actions of day 1.
2. The CoP approved the Core Budget Request for fiscal year 2015-2016.
3. The CoP approved the unchanged level of country contributions for fiscal year 2015-2016.
4. The CoP accepted the Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.
5. The CoP approved the Annual Plan for fiscal year 2015-2016.
6. The CoP decided to prepare a list of funding agencies interested in subscribing a Belmont-like agreement to fund global change research projects in the IAI and in the continent for September.
7. The CoP decided to ask for nominations for candidates for the Standing Committee for Rules and Procedures. Nominations are due by September.
8. The CoP decided to create a working group to define an open science work plan for the IAI. Members of this committee will be Argentina, Brazil, Canada, the USA, and the Directorate. The group will draft their initial terms of reference.
9. 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.