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NOTIFICATION

Subject: Graduate Course and International Seminar: "Integrating Global Change knowledge to decision-making processes in La Plata Basin: a transdisciplinary approach" (September 8 – 14, 2019)

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research, is pleased to present a video of the **Graduate Course and International Seminar: "Integrating Global Change knowledge to decision-making processes in La Plata Basin: a transdisciplinary approach"** (September 8 – 14) and the **Forum: "Building the dialogue between science and policy in the global change framework"** (September 12) which was held in Santa Fe, Argentina.

One of the objectives of this Graduate Course and International Seminar was to develop a transdisciplinarity module for Master and PhD programs. This is quite innovative for Latin-American universities. In order to achieve this goal, the IAI brought together a number of collaborators and partners from the academic and policy-making communities from the public and private sector. In addition, the forum, held back-to-back with the seminar contributed to further promote the dialogue between various actors about the science and policy interface and the design of public policies and sustainable development.

These events raised a lot of interest of the press which covered the events of the IAI/FICH/UNL and conducted interviews with officials and scientists of the IAI, UNL and other organizations of La Plata Basin and international organizations such as WMO, CIC (Coordinating Intergovernmental Committee of the countries of La Plata basin), among others.

These activities of great academic and political importance was co-funded by the IAI with the support from the FICH/UNL; the Ministry of Science and Technology of the province of Santa Fe; WMO; among other donor agencies.

Participants were pleased with the activities of the seminar and forum and the opportunity to meet professionals from several countries. They highlighted the importance and need of the work of organizations such as the IAI to support the exchange of scientific knowledge and practical experiences from the academic, public and the private sector; as well as the moments for dialogue with decision makers to effectively respond to society's demands.

In the words of the Dean of the FICH/UNL, Dr. Raúl Pedraza, "the activities carried out with the IAI constitute an important milestone in the process of internationalization of our activities (...) the contributions of the Seminar and the Forum to the region have been highly positive, both for the scientific-technological field and for the government sector and civil society."

The video is available at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HXEBdtKatuw>

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Marcos Regis da Silva', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Marcos Regis da Silva
Executive Director