FOLLOW-UP OF
THE PLAN OF ACTION
OF GUATEMALA 2016-2020

WORKING GROUP 2:
HUMAN RESOURCES TRAINING AND EDUCATION
VIDEOCONFERENCE AGENDA

**DATE AND TIME**

Tuesday, May 24, 2016
11:00 am (Washington DC time)

**MEMBER STATES**

- Argentina (Group Coordinator)
- Guatemala (COMCYT Chair)
- Barbados
- Bolivia
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Dominican Republic
- Mexico
- Nicaragua
- Paraguay
- Trinidad and Tobago

**PARTNERS**

- Advanced Research and Technology Collaboratory for the Americas (OAS-A RTCA)
- Institute for Computing in Humanities, Arts, and Social Science (I-CHASS), Illinois, USA
- National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA), Illinois, USA
- Latin-American and Caribbean Consortium of Engineering Institutions (LACCEI)
- Pan-American Academy of Engineers (API)
- Pan-American Union of Engineering Organizations (UPADI)
- Centro de Investigaciones Biológicas del Noroeste S.C. (CIBNOR), Mexico
- Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana de Medellín, Colombia (UPB)
- Technical Secretariat: OAS Competitiveness, Innovation and Technology Section (CITS)

**AGENDA**

1. **Introduction of participants and general announcements**
   - Cesar Parga, Chief, Competitiveness, Innovation and Technology Section, OAS

2. **Presentation by the Ministry of Science, Technology and Productive Innovation of Argentina (MINCYT) on the advances of FINAM and other considerations**
   - Hector Pralong, Director del Área de Cooperación Internacional con Empresas, MINCYT
   - Ángel Hernaiz, Área de Cooperación Internacional con Empresas, MINCYT

3. **Report by UPADI on the Survey on “Engineering Strengths and Weaknesses in LAC” and presentation on its upcoming General Assembly, to be held in Panama City on October 24 to 28, 2016**
   - Ari Herrera, President of the Technical Council, UPADI

4. **Joint presentation on engineering programs accreditation in LAC by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) and the Escuela Superior Politécnica del Litoral (ESPOL), Ecuador**
   - Daniela Iacona, Senior Manager, International Relations and Board Operations, ABET
   - Cecilia Paredes, Academic Vice-Rector, ESPOL
5. **Presentation on the XIV LACCEI International Multi-Conference on Engineering, Education and Technology, to be held in San José, Costa Rica, on July 20-22, 2016**
   - Maria M. Larrondo Petrie, Executive Director, LACCEI

6. **Presentation on the Latin American Meeting of Deans of Engineering organized by the Global Engineering Deans Council (GEDC) – and the ACOFI International Conference on Engineering Education to be held from October 3 to 7, 2016 in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia**
   - Luis Alberto González Araujo, Director Ejecutivo, ACOFI

7. **Latest news and advances by the Pan-American Engineering Academy (API)**
   - Pablo Realpozo, President, API
   - Jorge Vanegas, Honorary President of the policy forum, API

8. **Comments, Q&A’s and Next Steps**

**PROCEEDINGS**

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