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THIRD INTER-AMERICAN ELECTORAL TRAINING SEMINAR

September 6-10, 2010

Location: IFE Headquarters, Mexico City, Mexico

| Monday September 6 | Tuesday September 7 | Wednesday September 8 | Thursday September 9 |
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| 9:15 Depart hotel 9:30 – 9:45 Welcome -- <i>Manuel Carrillo, IFE</i> 9:45 – 10:50 Keynote Speeches: The electoral management body as an institution that strengthens governance <i>Pablo Gutierrez, Director, Department for Electoral Cooperation and Observation, OAS</i> <i>Leonardo Valdés Zurita, President Councillor, IFE</i> Moderator: Brenda Santamaría, OAS Break 11:10 – 12:30 Panel Discussion 1. Transparency of the electoral management body and its role in incorporating citizens in the democratic process <i>Francisco Valdés Ugalde, President of the Superior Council, FLACSO</i> 2. Current challenges for electoral management bodies in the Americas <i>Raúl Ávila, External Consultant, International IDEA</i> 3. Political implications of technical electoral processes <i>Pablo Gutiérrez, Director of the Department for Electoral Cooperation and Observation, OAS</i> Moderator: Charlotte McDowell, OAS 12:30 – 13:00 Presentation of the agenda and facilitators Lunch 14:00 – 15:30 Participant introductions 15:30 – 16:00 Presentation of group methodologies <i>Pablo Bravo, FLACSO Chile</i> Break 16:15 – 17:30 Project formulation session 1: defining objectives 17:30 – 17:45 Closing | 9:00 Depart hotel 9:20 – 9:30 Group activity 9:30 – 10:50 Panel Discussion: Electoral mapping 1. Districting policies and electoral governance: theoretical and methodological aspects <i>Marcelo Escolar, Professor of Political and Electoral Geography, University of Buenos Aires</i> 2. Realignment of electoral boundaries in Jamaica <i>Orrette Fisher, Chief of Elections, Electoral Commission of Jamaica</i> 3. Procedures for georeferencing citizens and their impact on the Federal Voter Registry in Mexico <i>Miguel Angel Rojano, Director of Electoral Mapping, IFE</i> 4. The Canadian perspective on georeferencing for electoral purposes <i>Pierre Desjardins, Director of Electoral Geography, Elections Canada</i> Moderator: Virginia Beramendi-Heine, International IDEA 10:50 – 11:30 Discussion Break 11:45 – 13:30 Exchange of participant experiences Lunch 14:30 – 14:45 Group activity 14:45 – 17:15 Project formulation session 2: activities and indicators 17:15 – 17:30 Closing | 9:00 Depart hotel 9:20 – 9:30 Group activity 9:30 – 10:50 Panel Discussion: Electoral management body strategic planning 1. Electoral planning: a strategic approach for electoral management bodies <i>Jeff Fisher, International Electoral Researcher and Lecturer</i> 2. Electoral contexts in Latin America and the Caribbean: effects on strategic planning <i>Mark Kirton, Senior Lecturer in Latin American Studies, University of West Indies</i> 3. Strategic planning in the electoral cycle: the case of Mexico <i>José Luis Rodríguez, Director of the Technical Planning Unit, IFE</i> 4. Organization of electoral processes in Panama <i>Osman Valdés, National Director of Electoral Organization, Electoral Tribunal of Panama</i> 5. Quality management and strategic planning <i>Maria T. Mellenkamp, Head of Section, Department of Electoral Cooperation and Observation, OAS</i> Moderator: Manuel Carrillo, IFE 10:50 – 11:30 Discussion Break 11:45 – 13:30 Exchange of participant experiences Lunch 14:30 – 14:45 Group activity 14:45 – 17:15 Project formulation session 3: assumptions and coherence 17:15 – 17:30 Closing | 9:00 Depart hotel 9:20 – 9:30 Group activity 9:30 –12:45 Project formulation session 4: project review 12:45 – 13:30 Demolatina role-play session 1 Lunch 15:00 Individual project development sessions (optional) 20:00 Final projects due Friday September 10 9:00 Depart hotel 9:20 –9:30 Group activity 9:30 – 10:30 Demolatina role-play session 2 10:30 – 13:30 Demolatina role-play session 3 Lunch 14:30 – 15:30 Demolatina presentation preparation 15:30 – 16:15 Demolatina presentations 16:15 – 17:00 Follow-up from the training seminar 17:00 – 17:30 Closing |

