

REPORT ON THE PROGRESS STATUS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE TRANSFERENCE OF TECHNOLOGY APPLIED TO ICTs IN THE AMERICAS

The XIII Meeting of the Permanent Consultative Committee I: Telecommunications,

HAVING SEEN:

- a) The current importance of Scientific Research and Technological Development in this new knowledge society;
- b) That during the Summits of the Americas, a need has been established to have information regarding these matters;
- c) That the Rapporteur Group on Scientific and Technological Research and Technology Transfer has identified sources of information in the framework of the IX Meeting of the PCC.I,

CONSIDERING:

- a) That during the last three Meetings of PCC.I held in Buenos Aires, Mendoza and Washington DC, questionnaires were circulated to gather information of member countries on this matter;
- b) That it is a mandate of the Working Group on Development to provide its members with information regarding Scientific Research and Technological Development applied to the information and communication technologies (ICT);
- c) That it is necessary to process the information gathered and do the same with future contributions;
- d) That the OAS relies on the Department of Science and Technology of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development, with whom it is essential to articulate actions regarding this matter;
- e) That the PCC.I of CITEC and the Department of Science and Technology of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development might conduct joint activities such as seminars and other training events;
- f) That it is necessary to foster the organization of said seminars in the different sub-regions of the hemisphere in a joint fashion;
- g) That the results of the seminars may provide the necessary material for a publication on this matter which, in turn, may serve as a report of the work developed by the Rapporteur Group;
- h) That, in order to hold the events and issue the said publication, it is necessary to identify financing sources other than the PCC.I of CITEC;
- i) That it is necessary to contact the specific areas of the different member countries, International Organizations and other entities devoted to Scientific and Technological Research and Transference of Technology,

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RESOLVES:

1. To approve the preparation of a Report on the progress status of the development of Scientific Research and Technological Development and the Transference of Technology applied to ICTs in the Americas.
2. To designate the Rapporteur, Mr. Oscar Galante, to coordinate the tasks of gathering information, progress and preparation of the report, taking into account the existing sources of information (ITU, UN, OAS, ALTEC, Universities and academic entities, among others); with the support of the Chair of the PCC.I and the Executive Secretary of CITEC; and in permanent coordination with the Chair of the Working Group on Development of the PCC.I.
3. To request for support from the Science and Technology Department of the OAS's Executive Secretariat for Integral Development to jointly conduct in the sub-regions of the Hemisphere, Training Workshops on Scientific Research and Technological Development and Transference of Technology applied to the ICTs in the Americas.
4. That the Rapporteur, Mr. Oscar Galante, with the information gathered in the report and the contributions from the Workshops, submit a draft publication in a format to be defined.
5. To establish the XV Meeting of the PCC.I as the deadline for completing the works for the preparation of the Report and holding the Seminars of the current rapporteur group.

INSTRUCTS:

1. The Executive Secretary of CITEC jointly with the Rapporteur, with requesting also for the support of the OAS's Science and Technology Department for the latter to contact the Ministries, Secretariats of State, National Science and Technology Organizations (ONCyT) or equivalent entities of OAS member countries so that they provide the required data.
2. The Executive Secretary of CITEC jointly with the Rapporteur, with implementing the necessary resources to hold the Workshops and publish the works, and identifying the sources for financing the said projects.

INVITES:

The Chair of the PCC.I, the Executive Secretary of CITEC and the Rapporteur to prepare the forewords of the publications to be issued.