

COM/CITEL RES. 212 (XIX-07) ¹

APPROVAL OF CITEL COURSE PROGRAM IN 2008

The XIX Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL, COM/CITEL,

CONSIDERING:

- a) That the report of the Coordinator for the Development of Human Resources indicates the outstanding results achieved by the 2007 CITEL training program, including a 26% increase in the number of fellowships granted;
- b) That ongoing training for human resources in the sector is essential for the economic development of the countries, allowing the introduction of advanced technologies in the context of continuous telecommunications development;
- c) That the results of the survey on 2008 training needs presented by the CITEL Member States are now available,

EMPHASIZING:

- a) That establishing the course calendar and keeping it unchanged is a priority, unless otherwise required by circumstances beyond control, so that those interested in the courses can schedule accordingly;
- b) That the Organization of American States requires that course announcements be sent out at least three months before these are scheduled to start, in the interest of equal opportunity for everyone who may be interested in fellowships,

RESOLVES:

1. To adopt the following program of courses under the 2008 CITEL fellowship budget prepared by the Coordination for the Development of Human Resources taking into account the priorities in training needs as presented by Member States. These fellowships will be financed by the regular fund of the OAS and the voluntary fund if necessary. When the regular fund budget for CITEL 2008 scholarships is used, the number of fellowships shall be authorized by the above-mentioned Coordination bearing in mind the available budget and the regulations of the Organization of American States. Initially, 15 fellowships shall be offered for distance learning courses and 4 for round-trip economy class airfare from country of origin to course venue for attendance-based courses, on dates to be confirmed in January 2008.

Institution	Course	Category
National Telecommunications Administration of Uruguay (ANTEL) (<i>Administración Nacional de Telecomunicaciones de Uruguay</i>) (ANTEL)	Integrated Managed Telecommunication Networks and Services	Distance learning

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National Telecommunications Administration of Uruguay (ANTEL) (<i>Administración Nacional de Telecomunicaciones de Uruguay</i>) (ANTEL)	Convergence of fixed / mobile through IMS	Distance learning
Colombian Association of Engineers (ACIEM) (<i>Asociación Colombiana de Ingenieros</i>)	Regulation and Standardization of Interconnection	Distance learning
Center for Technological Innovation of the School of Engineering of Paraguay (<i>Centro de Innovación Tecnológica de la Facultad de Ingeniería de Paraguay</i>)	Internet Network Engineering	Attendance-based
Telecommunications Commission of Central America (COMTELCA) (<i>Comisión de Telecomunicaciones de Centro América</i>) (COMTELCA)	Public Policies on the Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Sector	Distance learning
Escuela Colombiana de Ingeniería “Julio Garavito” (<i>Colombian School of Engineering “Julio Garavito”</i>)	Wireless and Mobile Network Safety	Distance learning
National Institute for Telecommunication Research and Training of Peru (INICTEL-UNI) (<i>Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Capacitación de Telecomunicaciones</i>) (INICTEL-UNI)	Satellite Networks - VSAT	Distance learning
National Institute for Telecommunication Research and Training of Peru (INICTEL-UNI) (<i>Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Capacitación de Telecomunicaciones</i>) (INICTEL-UNI)	Design and Implementation of IP Networks	Distance learning
Buenos Aires Institute of Technology (ITBA) (<i>Instituto Tecnológico de Buenos Aires</i>) (ITBA)	3G-4G Technology	Distance learning
School of Engineering and Technology of the Catholic University of Uruguay (<i>Facultad de Ingeniería y Tecnologías de la Universidad Católica de Uruguay</i>)	ABC Costing System Applied to Connection Pricing	Distance learning
School of Engineering and Technology of the Catholic University of Uruguay (<i>Facultad de Ingeniería y Tecnologías de la Universidad Católica de Uruguay</i>)	Implementation of Aggregate Ethernet/MPLS networks for multiservice provision	Distance learning
United States Telecommunications Training Institute (USTTI)	E-government for Development: Strategies and Policies	Attendance-based
United States Telecommunications Training Institute (USTTI)	Applying 21st Century ICT in Emerging Markets	Attendance-based
International Telecommunication Union (ITU)	Digital Cities	Distance learning
International Telecommunication Union (ITU)	Third-Generation Wireless and Multimedia Systems / CDMA 450	Distance learning

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Federal Telecommunication Commission of Mexico (COFETEL) (<i>Comisión Federal de Telecomunicaciones de México</i>) (COFETEL)	Harmful interferences to satellite systems	Attendance-based

2. To authorize the Coordinator to select other courses meeting the training needs of the Member States, to schedule course dates, and to decide on the number of fellowships that will be awarded in each case up to the Commission's maximum budget for fellowships and in accordance with the training needs of the Administrations.

3. To establish that if the Department of Human Resources of the Organization of American States (OAS) issues a call to participate in the Competition for the 2008 Professional Development Scholarship Program, the General Coordinator would participate in cases where the institutes are interested and would request:

- 30 additional scholarships for each distance learning course indicated in the previous table;
- 5 additional scholarships for each attendance-based course, and
- A number of scholarships to be determined in each case for other courses addressing training priorities presented by the countries.

4. To authorize the Coordinator to reassign, when possible, the amounts of the fellowships allocated if material, for evaluation, and the announcement draft are unavailable at least four months prior to the date the course is scheduled to begin, and that rescheduling of the dates will be authorized only under circumstances beyond control.

5. To thank the OAS Department of Human Development for their continuous and excellent support in disseminating the CITEL course program.

6. To continue strengthening the coordination between CITEL and the ITU Center of Excellence to maintain and increase telecommunications training benefits in the region.

7. To establish that the conditions under which courses will be offered –unless otherwise stated – shall be:

- Each distance learning group will have a maximum of 35 students.
- The maximum tuition fee for CITEL distance learning scholarship courses will be US\$ 200.
- 10% of the total amount collected from tuition fees from all distance learning scholarships granted by CITEL/OAS through the ITU Center of Excellence platform will be deposited in an account to be used as seed budget for the course program in coming years. The use of such seed budget will be authorized by the Coordination for the Development of Human Resources.

8. To encourage Administrations to take the necessary steps to simplify and expedite procedures relating to scholarships in the telecommunications area.

INSTRUCTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

1. To follow the relevant procedures to comply with *resolves* 1 and 5.
2. To widely disseminate information related to such courses.