

CITEL RES. 58 (IV-06) ¹

ACTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITEL OPERATIONS PLAN FOR 2006-2010

The IV Regular Meeting of the Assembly of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission, CITEL,

BEARING IN MIND:

- a) The CITEL Strategic Plan adopted at the Fourth Assembly of CITEL;
- b) The strategic goals established for 2006-2010,

RESOLVES:

To approve the following actions associated with the goals set out in the Strategic Plan for 2006-2010:

Goal 1: The governing bodies and the PCCs will bear in mind in their Work Plans that the results of their actions should maintain, expand and strengthen cooperation with the Member States of CITEL and the associate members of the Permanent Consultative Committees. This is aimed at achieving a harmonious development of telecommunications in the Region.

Actions:

When they consider it pertinent, the PCCs will update their methods and procedures for implementing the Strategic Plan, in which the intermediate objectives and actions to be carried out by CITEL to comply with the purposes established in this document are identified

Goal 2: The governing bodies and the PCCs will channel their efforts at resolving the problems related to the digital divide between the Member States; to this end, they will take into account the goals set forth in the Declaration of Principles and Plan of Action agreed to in WSIS Phase I, as well as the Tunis Commitment and Tunis Agenda for the Information Society, adopted in WSIS Phase II.

Actions:

Bearing in mind the available resources, the PCCs will continue considering in their Work Plan the execution of studies on regulatory, technological and policy aspects that promote the development of telecommunication/information and communication technologies (ICT) networks and services, paying particular attention to the needs of access to communication and information services of rural areas.

Goal 3: Give priority to the tasks of the second phase of the Agenda for Connectivity in the Americas, in accordance with the program adopted by the coordination constituted to this end by COM/CITEL, bearing in mind the priorities identified in the mandates of the Summits of the Americas, the documents of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), the OAS, the sub-regional plans, as well as the objectives of national policies.

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Actions:

With the contributions of the Administrations, give priority to the tasks of the second phase of the Agenda for Connectivity in the Americas, in accordance with the program adopted and taking into account the priorities identified in the mandates of the Summits of the Americas, the documents of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), the subregional plans, as well as the objectives of national policies.

Goal 4: Maintain CITEL's leadership in the Region in all aspects related to telecommunications including the information and communication technologies.

Actions:

When they consider it pertinent, the PCCs will update the methods and processes that they are developing to implement the Strategic Plan, in which the intermediate actions to be carried out by CITEL to comply with the purposes established in this document are identified

Goal 5: Strengthen CITEL by increasing the participation of Member States and associate members and the cooperation ties with international, regional and subregional telecommunication organizations, and other telecommunication sector-related entities.

Actions:

When they consider it pertinent, the PCCs will take into account the Cooperation Agreements signed by the Commission in their Work plans.

Goal 6: Promote matters related to training and technology transfer on topics of greatest interest, especially for developing countries, so as to achieve harmonious development of human resources through the ITU Centre of Excellence for the Americas and CITEL's Regional Training Centers.

Actions:

The PCCs and the working groups will include actions to comply with this goal in their work plans.

Goal 7: Strengthen working mechanisms to prepare for international telecommunication meetings in order to present common consensus-based proposals, with the aim of strengthening the region's position in the world.

Actions:

To participate in the inter-regional meetings so as to facilitate the preparation of international conferences, in accordance with the mechanisms established by the PCCs.

Goal 8: Strengthen, update and prioritize the work of the Permanent Consultative Committees (PCCs) taking into account decisions from the OAS General Assembly and the Summits of the Americas, while recognizing the WSIS outcomes and work being undertaken in the ITU and other relevant organizations.

Actions:

In their plans and work, the PCCs will take into account the objectives of universal service and access.

In their work plans, the PCCs will pay special attention to matters that arise from the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) agreements that fall within their competence.

Bearing in mind the Tampere Convention and any others that are pertinent, the PCCs will endeavor to include in their work plans the establishment of strategies for the regional interconnection of information networks for disaster prevention.