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APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN OAS ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 6
OF THE GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION BY CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS
IN OAS ACTIVITIES [CP/RES. 759 (1217/99)]

[Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil]

ANALYSIS OF FACTORS RELATING TO THE APPLICATION BY
CORPORACIÓN FORO DE LA JUVENTUD DE GUAYAQUIL – ECUADOR
TO PARTICIPATE IN OAS ACTIVITIES

This document was prepared by the Department of International Affairs/Secretariat for External Relations to provide information to the member states of the Organization of American States (OAS) on the civil society organization (CSO) *Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil - Ecuador*.

The information contained in this report is provided pursuant to resolution CP/RES. 759 (1217/99), “Guidelines for the Participation of Civil Society Organizations in OAS Activities,” and includes a summary and a list of data and documentation presented by *Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil - Ecuador*.

1. Background

Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil - Ecuador is a nonprofit organization founded on March 30, 1995 in Guayaquil, Ecuador to promote the civic education for the citizenry by developing programs that promote comprehensive human welfare and the protection of human rights.

Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil - Ecuador aims to promote youth leadership and social responsibility by developing education and training programs.

La *Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil – Ecuador* conducts forums and events, such as the Youth Forum, and promotes the strengthening of youth organizations at the national level and the creation of forums for youth social participation, generating debate on matters of interest to society.

Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil - Ecuador finances its activities from contributions from organizations such as the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the World Bank, and the *Fundación Grupo Esquel Ecuador*, among others, and from voluntary contributions from its members.

Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil - Ecuador submitted its request for registration with the OAS on April 24, 2009.

2. Name, address, and date of establishment of the CSO

Name:	Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil - Ecuador
Address:	Los Ríos 2622, Entre Gómez Rendón y Maldonado, Planta Alta, Edificio: FESO, Guayaquil, Ecuador
Telephone:	(593 04) 603-9830
Fax:	(593 04) 0-9442-2593
E-mail address:	forodelajuventud@yahoo.es
Executive Director:	Mayra Jacqueline Cedeño Proaño
Date established:	30 March 1995

3. Primary areas of activity of the CSO and their relationship to OAS activities

Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil - Ecuador focuses on civic education for youth and promotion of their leadership and social responsibility. The following activities of the organization bear some relation to the work of the OAS:

- Promoting the protection of the rights and duties of youth;
- Promoting social cooperation with national and international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, and all entities working in youth-related areas;
- Promoting education and training programs on human rights; and
- Promoting youth leadership and social responsibility.

4. CSO contributions that could be of interest to the OAS

Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil-Ecuador conducts its activities by developing training and research programs. Contributions already made by the organization and that might be of interest to the OAS include:

- Creating alternative youth enterprise opportunities;
- Designing and implementing training programs that contribute to promoting the rights of youth and that promote youth leadership and citizen participation; and
- Publishing research on the needs of youth from marginalized urban sectors in Honduras.

5. Identification of the OAS work areas in which the CSO proposes to support ongoing activities or to make recommendations on the best way to achieve OAS objectives

Corporación Foro de la Juventud de Guayaquil-Ecuador could lend support to the work of the OAS by:

- Contributing to the activities of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) to promote and protect human rights;
- Promoting the Inter-American Program on Education for Democratic Values and Practices of the Department of Education and Culture of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI);
- Contributing to the work of the Department of Education and Culture of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI) in designing and implementing projects to promote education and equitable access thereto; and

- Contributing to the efforts of the Inter-American Children's Institute (IIN) to promote the rights of children and adolescents.

6. Documents submitted by the CSO to the OAS

- Letter addressed to the OAS Secretary General, dated April 24, 2009
- Articles of incorporation, March 30, 1995
- Certificate of adoption of bylaws, February 22, 2006
- Activity report for 2008
- Financial statements through 2008