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

[Centro de Estudios, Análisis, y Documentación del Uruguay (CEADU)]

ANALYSIS OF ELEMENTS FOR REGISTRATION BY CENTRO DE ESTUDIOS, ANÁLISIS, Y DOCUMENTACIÓN DEL URUGUAY (CEADU) TO PARTICIPATE IN OAS ACTIVITIES

This document was prepared by the Relations with Civil Society Section of the Secretariat for Access to Rights and Equity to provide information to the member states of the Organization of American States (OAS) on the civil society organization *Centro de Estudios, Análisis, y Documentación del Uruguay (CEADU)* [Center for Research, Analysis, and Documentation of Uruguay].

The information contained in this report is in response to resolution CP/RES. 759 (1217/99), "Guidelines for the Participation of Civil Society Organizations in OAS Activities." This document contains a summary and list of documentation presented by the *Centro de Estudios, Análisis, y Documentación del Uruguay (CEADU)* in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines.

1. Background

The Centro de Estudios, Análisis, y Documentación del Uruguay (CEADU) is a nonprofit organization established on September 20, 1990, in Montevideo, Uruguay, and comprising a multidisciplinary group of experts and professionals in environmental fields. Its aim is to promote innovative, participatory sustainable development projects built upon community-based environmental management.

CEADU focuses on participatory environmental management with at-risk populations, using educational programs to encourage alternatives that will mitigate the negative effects of the relationship between poverty and the environment.

CEADU works in the following areas:

- Environmental risk management: By conducting and advising on environmental projects at the regional level, implementing natural wastewater treatment systems to speed the breakdown of organic matter;
- Management of protected areas: Through environmental management projects, such as the certification program "Natural Beach: Certified Environmental Management," and by fostering sustainable tourism;
- Community-based environmental management: Using "sustainable schools" to promote sustainable consumption, waste management, alternative sanitation systems, and organic farming, which provide vegetables for school meals.

CEADU has carried out environmental advisory work in promoting the SMEs program (UNDP), surveying environmental demands (USAID), and preparing information pamphlets on environmental technologies (ALADI and COPANT). CEADU also has conducted joint projects with various Uruguayan ministries, such as Livestock, Farming, and Fisheries, MVOTMA (Housing, Territorial Planning, and Environment), Industry and Energy, and MINTUR (Tourism), in addition to its international cooperation with the European Union, UNESCO, and ALADI.

CEADU funds its activities with resources derived from member contributions, the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), and the Office of Planning and Budget (OPP) of the President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay.

CEADU submitted its application to register with the OAS on March 8, 2017.

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

Name of the organization: Centro de Estudios, Análisis, y Documentación del Uruguay

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3. Primary areas of activity and contributions that could be of interest to the OAS

The Centro de Estudios, Análisis, y Documentación del Uruguay (CEADU) works in the environmental management field, focusing on risk management and community participation. Its primary areas of activity and contributions that could be of interest to the OAS include:

- Implementing sustainable development projects with small- and mid-sized associations, cooperatives, producers' associations, research centers, the Congress of Governors, municipalities, ministries, government directorates, and international organizations;
- Protecting the environment and natural areas of Uruguay;
- Developing and disseminating alternative technologies to ensure the sustainable development of low-income populations;
- Facilitating participation by civil society associations and collectives in OAS General Assembly sessions, the Summits of the Americas, and other forums organized by the Organization of American States (OAS).

4. <u>Identification of potential areas of collaboration with the OAS</u>

The *Centro de Estudios, Análisis, y Documentación del Uruguay (CEADU)* proposes to work with the OAS in the following areas:

- Supporting the activities of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR), especially the Unit on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights (ESCR), by submitting status reports on the right to a healthy environment;
- Conducting follow-up on the recommendations of the Permanent Executive Committee of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CEPCIDI), especially on the implementation of sustainable environmental policy;
- Supporting the Department of Sustainable Development (DSD) of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI), facilitating information-sharing on sustainable development in terms of local environmental policy, renewable energy, water resource management, and environmental education;
- Working with the Department of Economic Development (DED) of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI), contributing to corporate social responsibility programs for small and mid-sized enterprises in the member states;
- Participating in OAS discussion forums on sustainable development, especially the Meetings of Ministers and High-Level Authorities on Sustainable Development, in the context of the Inter-American Strategy for the Promotion of Public Participation in Decision-Making for Sustainable Development (ISP).

5. **Documents submitted by the CSO to the OAS**

- Letter addressed to the OAS Secretary General, March 8, 2017
- Articles of incorporation
- Statutes
- Institutional mission statement
- Management report, 2016
- Financial statements, 2016