

PERMANENT COUNCIL OF THE  
ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES  
COMMITTEE ON INTER-AMERICAN SUMMITS MANAGEMENT  
AND CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION  
IN OAS ACTIVITIES

OEA/Ser.G  
CP/CISC-873/17  
15 August 2017  
Original: Spanish

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)]

*[Comisión por la Carta Democrática Interamericana (CCDI)]*

## ANALYSIS OF ELEMENTS FOR REGISTRATION BY *COMISIÓN POR LA CARTA DEMOCRÁTICA INTERAMERICANA (CCDI)* 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 *Comisión por la Carta Democrática Interamericana (CCDI)*.

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 includes a summary and list of documentation presented by the *Comisión por la Carta Democrática Interamericana* in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines.

### 1. **Background**

*Comisión por la Carta Democrática Interamericana (CCDI)* is a nonprofit association established on August 20, 2015, in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Its mission is to promote different types of citizen engagement, in order to strengthen democratic practices.

The primary objective of the *CCDI* is to disseminate the contents of the Inter-American Democratic Charter through joint work with universities in Latin America and the Caribbean. It also seeks to strengthen democratic governance and the rule of law, by promoting justice, and ethical and responsible practices by citizens within a framework of respect for constitutional order.

The *CCDI* works in the following areas:

- Democracy: Through training for social leaders, university students, faculty, and public servants in the principles of the Inter-American Democratic Charter, and disseminating these principles among the same groups;
- Education: By organizing forums and conferences on current topics, in order to foster an in-depth analysis of migration, security, the environment, institutional responsibility, and protection of human rights in the region;
- Institutional strengthening: By developing strategic plans for interinstitutional collaboration between universities and public and private institutions, as well as strengthening ties with the media;
- Coordination among different actors: Through its General Assembly, it consolidates treaties and agreements for ongoing human rights education in different Latin American countries.

The *CCDI* coordinates with public and private institutions, consultants, and experts to hold different training events in the Dominican Republic and abroad, such as the “Course on the law of Civil Society Organizations,” the “Forum on Migration and Citizen Security,” and the “Colloquium on the Responsibility of States to Protect,” the purpose of those events is to strengthen regional ties.

The *CCDI* is funded through member contributions and funds generated by its educational activities, such as certificate programs and training courses.

The *CCDI* submitted its application for registration with the OAS on May 10, 2016.

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

Name of the organization: *Comisión por la Carta Democrática Interamericana*

Address: Avenida Gustavo Mejía Ricart #173, 2do Nivel, Ensanche  
Julieta Morales  
Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Telephone: +1-809-494-5830

E-mail address: [comisionporlacartademocratica@gmail.com](mailto:comisionporlacartademocratica@gmail.com)

Website: [www.comisionporlacartademocratica.blogspot.com](http://www.comisionporlacartademocratica.blogspot.com)

President: Rommel Santos Díaz

Date of establishment: August 20, 2015

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

*Comisión por la Carta Democrática Interamericana (CCDI)* works to improve education in democratic practices, institutional transparency, and citizen engagement. Its primary areas of activity and contributions that could be of interest to the OAS include:

- Forming institutional ties to promote and disseminate the principles of the Inter-American Democratic Charter, through the establishment of agreements between governments and universities;
- Developing and offering educational programs for members of the public on democracy, economics, development, and regional integration;
- Strengthening democratic governance in the Dominican Republic and the Americas;
- Improving the training of electoral observers from civil society organizations.

**4. Identification of potential areas of collaboration with the OAS**

*Comisión por la Carta Democrática Interamericana (CCDI)* offers to collaborate with the OAS in the following areas:

- Disseminating the Inter-American Democratic Charter, the Inter-American Convention against Corruption, and the Social Charter of the Americas, with a view to strengthening human rights, international criminal justice, and access to justice;

- Partnering with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) in the organization of meetings and training programs on human rights, and by proposing educational programs, especially on migration in the Americas;
- Collaborating with the Committee of Experts of the Mechanism for Follow-Up on the Implementation of the Inter-American Convention against Corruption (MESICIC), by providing information to enhance the performance of assessment processes in the Dominican Republic;
- Follow-up on implementation of the mandates of the Summits of the Americas and resolutions of the OAS General Assembly and Permanent Council on election monitoring and institutional transparency;
- Participating in hemispheric discussions open to civil society and sending recommendations to OAS member states as input for events such as the General Assembly of the OAS, Permanent Council meetings, and IACHR sessions.

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

- Letter to the OAS Secretary General, dated May 10, 2016
- Articles of Association
- Statutes
- Institutional mission statement
- 2016 Annual Report
- 2016 Financial statements
- Certificate of Registration from the National Industrial Property Office
- Up-to-date composition of the Board of Directors
- CV of the current president of the CCDI
- Copy of the newspaper publication
- Copy of the Certificate of Full Incorporation issued by the Office of the Attorney General of the Dominican Republic
- Copy of the Certificate of the order of Incorporation issued by the Attorney General of the Dominican Republic
- Copy of the certification issued by the Fourth Circuit Magistrate's Court of the National District
- Copy of the certification issued by the Office of the President of the Civil and Commercial Division of the Court of First Instance of the National District
- Copy of the certification of the President of the Municipal Council of the National District