UNASUR/CMRE/RESOLUTION N° 024/2015

BY MEANS OF WHICH PROJECTS ARE APPROVED FOR THE COMMON INITIATIVES FUND OF UNASUR

WHEREAS:

Article N°44 of the General Regulations of UNASUR determines that: “the financing of common initiatives will be defined by the Council of Foreign Affairs Ministers, on the basis of proposals presented to the General Secretariat by the different instances of UNASUR”;

Resolution N°09/2014 adopted on September 16 of 2014 and its resolution for modification of the budget for 2015 N°10/2015, that the Council of Foreign Affairs Ministers of UNASUR adopted on August 19, 2015, by means of which the regular annual budget of UNASUR for the period 2015 was approved;

Article 5 of Resolution N°09/2014, determines that the General Secretariat shall be responsible for adopting measures necessary for the appropriate management and execution of the budget of UNASUR.

Articles 6 and 7 of Resolution N°10/2015 determine the execution of the Common Initiatives Fund for the present year.

Resolution N°38/2012, adopted in Lima on November 29, 2012, by means of which the Regulations for Common Initiatives were approved, defines the norms for the design, presentation, approval and follow-up of projects to be financed under said resources.

CONSIDERING:

That the regular annual budget of UNASUR establishes the provision of financial resources within the item: “Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR”;

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That the financing of Common Initiatives on the part of UNASUR has as its objective that of making possible projects that promote the sustainable development of the populations of the Member States and that lead to the achievement of the objectives of the Union and to the construction of a South American identity and citizenship, as well as contributing to the reduction of poverty, exclusion and social inequality;

That the promotion of the process for integration of the Union requires that the ministerial sectorial Councils are able to develop Common Initiatives, within the scope of their plans of action and the strategic objectives of the Constitutive Treaty, to be financed through the “Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR”;

That it is necessary to promote the concrete expression of the projects financed by the Common Initiatives Fund, taking into account the experience achieved in the application of the Regulations for Common Initiatives and the contributions that in this sense can be made by the States within the scope of regional cooperation.

THE COUNCIL OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTERS OF THE UNION OF SOUTH AMERICAN NATIONS

RESOLVES:

Article 1.- Approve the Common Initiatives projects contained in the document that is annexed to this Resolution, which, in accordance with the “Regulations for the Execution of the Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR”, shall be coordinated by the General Secretariat of UNASUR for their speedy alignment and materialization.

Article 2.- The amount of each project and the entities responsible for its execution shall be the following:

2.1 (ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN-ECLAC) – Chains of value and productive complementation in the countries of UNASUR: A diagnosis based on input-product matrixes. Amount: US$ 56.500,00;

2.2 (MINISTRY OF CULTURE OF THE ARGENTINE NATION) - InSitu, art in public spaces. Amount: US$ 140.000,00;

2.3 (ISAGS) – Platform for the exchange of experiences and technical assistance for the prevention and control of cervical cancer in South America. Amount: US$ 200.000,00;
2.4 (MINISTRY FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE EASTERN REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY) – social UNASUR in action. Amount: US$ 197,760,00;

2.5 (MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS OF THE EASTERN REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY) – Study to contribute with inputs to prepare a strategy that facilitates South American Railroad Integration; US$ 45,000,00.

Article 3.- The Common Initiatives to which this resolution refers to, will be financed under budget item 2.08.01 (allocations for distribution) of the regular annual budget of UNASUR, up to the amount established for each one of said projects.

Article 4.- The General Secretariat shall send to the Council of Delegates, within a period of three months following the conclusion of the CIF project, a final report under the terms of Article 24 of the Regulations for the Execution of the Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR and of clause 8th of the Letter of Commitment for the Execution of the Project UNASUR, annex 3 of said Regulations.

Article 5.- In January of 2017, the General Secretariat must send to the Council of Delegates a report of the state of execution of the projects that have been authorized in Article 2 of this Resolution. The report must indicate the projects that eventually have been executed, so that the necessary measures, stated in Article 27 of the Regulations for the Execution of the Common Initiatives Fund, of UNASUR be applied.

ANNEX
COMMON INITIATIVES PROJECTS

ANTECEDENTS

The Council of Foreign Affairs Ministers approved the Regulations for Common Initiatives by means of Resolution N°38/2012, that establishes the criteria for presentation, selection, execution and follow-up of projects, to be financed through the “Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR”. Likewise, by means of Resolution N°10/2015, adopted on August 19, 2015, it established the 2015 budget for UNASUR that contains an item denominated Allocations for distribution.

In order to comply with that determined in Article N°8, letter g, of the Constitutive Treaty and in Resolution N°10/2015, that approved said budget, it is necessary to present before the Council of Delegates the Common Initiatives to be financed by the budget under execution.

IDENTIFICATION OF THE PROJECTS PRESENTED TO THE “COMMON INITIATIVES FUND OF UNASUR” BY THE SECTORIAL MINISTERIAL COUNCILS.

According to that established in Resolution N°38/2012, of the Regulations for the use of the Common Initiatives Fund, in its transitory provision, as of October 1, 2015, the General Secretariat received 9 projects, submitted by the sectorial ministerial Councils.

The following proposes that these initiatives, based on the achievement of objectives determined in the respective plans of action of the sectorial ministerial Councils, evaluated by the Technical Evaluation Table established by the General Secretariat, for a total amount of one million thirty six thousand one hundred and ten US Dollars (USD$1.036.110), and considering that Resolution N°10/2015 that modifies the budget for 2015 allocates six hundred and fifty thousand US Dollars (USD$650.000) to the Common Initiatives Fund for 2015; the General Secretariat should have established an order of priorities dividing the 9 projects into two phases. In this sense, and for this year 2015, five projects will be financed for a total amount of six hundred and thirty nine thousand two hundred and sixty US Dollars (USD$ 639.260).

These projects will be optimized in their materialization, considering the contributions that within the scope of information and communication technologies may be undertaken by the recently established Information and
Communication Center of UNASUR, located in the venue of the General Secretariat.

As of the present date, the projects to be executed with funds forthcoming from the Common Initiatives Fund with resources for the year 2015 are the following:

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**TOTAL** 639.260
SUMMARY OF COMMON INITIATIVES PROJECTS

- PIC/SG/No.01/2015

**Project name:** Chains of value and productive complementation in the countries of UNASUR: A diagnosis based on input-product matrixes.

**Amount:** USD$ 56,500.

**Sponsoring sectorial Council:** South American Council for Economy and Finances.

**General Objective:**

Deepen the analysis of productive and commercial relations between the countries of UNASUR, with the purpose of identifying existing complements and promoting the development of intra-regional chains of value.

**Specific objectives:**

1) Construction of a set of indicators of national and regional supply chains between the productive sectors of the countries of UNASUR, based on data provided by MIP or national offer and utilization charts (OUCs) and bilateral flows of trade. Countries to be considered will be those for which the required information is available.

2) Identification of productive complementarities and possibilities of developing intra-regional value chains.

- PIC/SG/No.02/2015

**Project name:** In Situ, art in public spaces.

**Amount:** USD$ 140,000.

**Sponsoring sectorial Council:** South American Council of Culture.

**General objective:**

Develop a comprehensive artistic program at the regional level in full synergy with the premises of the Art Axis of the Plan of Action of the South American Council of Culture of UNASUR.

**Specific objectives:**

1. Establish bridges for exchange and spaces of confluence for the diversity of our culture, in line with the objectives of UNASUR, in particular with
Article 3 letter o) of the Constitutive Treaty of the Union of South American Nations that states: Promotion of cultural diversity and of the expressions of the memory and of ancestral knowledge and wisdom of the peoples of the region, to strengthen their identities.

2. Generate regional projects of importance that contemplate, connect and provide visibility to the work and artists of the region.

3. Promote art through residences and the exchange of experiences of the production of works, theory and critique among the artists of the region.

- **PIC/SG/No.03/2015**

**Project name:** Platform for the exchange of experiences and technical assistance for the prevention and control of cervical cancer in South America.

**Amount:** USD$ 200,000.

**Sponsoring sectorial Council:** South American Council of Health.

**General objective:**

Provide a platform for exchange and technical assistance that strengthens programs for prevention, and contributes to the reduction of the incidence and mortality due to cervical-uterine cancer in the member countries of UNASUR.

**Specific objectives:**

1. Provide evidence and technical assistance for the reduction of barriers to the access of diagnosis, follow-up and treatment.

2. Provide technical assistance and transfer knowledge and regional experiences for the implementation or optimization of a program at the national level for the control of cervical cancer.

3. Provide technical assistance and transfer knowledge and regional experiences for the incorporation of the possible methods for screening to be developed in the context of organized programs:
   a. Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid (IVAA) and strategy See and Treat
   b. Conventional cytology (PAP).
   c. Test for HPV.

4. Transfer present knowledge and experiences to the countries that decide to incorporate the vaccine against HPV.

5. Strengthen systems for the registration, monitoring and evaluation of the programs for prevention of cervical cancer.

- **PIC/SG/No.04/2015**

**Project name:** social UNASUR in action.

**Amount:** USD$ 197,760.

**Sponsoring sectorial Council:** South American Council for Social Development.
General objective:

Strengthen South American institutional nature in matter of social policies and the impact of their actions on the population of the region by means of a comprehensive program that contributes to the attainment of the objectives that have been APPROVED in its Plan of Action 2015-2017.

Specific objectives:


3. Creation of a web platform for the dissemination of systematizations and audiovisual materials, as well as for the exchange among members of the South American Council for Social Development, thus contributing to the generation of a South American reference in the area of social policies. This platform will represent a common space of an informative nature, both for relevant governmental stakeholders that are a part of the Council as well as for the South American citizenship in general, with respect to the advances achieved in the thematic areas under their responsibility.

- PIC/SG/No.05/2015

Project name: Study to contribute with inputs to prepare a strategy that facilitates South American Railroad Integration.

Amount: USD$ 45.000.

Sponsoring sectorial Council: South American Council for Infrastructure and Planning.

General objective:
Have available the technically supported elements that collaborate to the definition, on the part of the Working Group for Railroad Integration, of a strategy to facilitate railroad integration in the Region, as well as to improve the participation of the railroad mode in multimodal transport.

**Specific objectives:**

1. Gather all available information with respect to railroad norms, infrastructure and operative nature;

2. Systematize, analyze and propose elements to be included in a Plan of Action to advance towards railroad integration in South America.

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