UNASUR/CMRE/RESOLUTION N° 005
THROUGH WHICH THE PROJECTS FOR THE COMMON
INITIATIVES FUND OF UNASUR ARE APPROVED

SEEN:

Article 44 of the General Regulations of UNASUR that points out that the "financing of common initiatives will be defined by the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, based on the proposals presented by the General Secretariat through the different bodies of UNASUR";

Resolution No 018/2015 adopted on December 9, 2015 by the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, through which the annual regular budget of UNASUR was approved for the period 2016 in section "Expense Budget and Financial Applications by programs and items" in Activity 1 of Program 1 it allocates six hundred and fifty thousand dollars (US$650.000) to finance "Temporary Common Initiatives";

Resolution N°38/2012, adopted in Lima on November 29, 2012 by which the Regulation of Common Initiatives was approved, defines that the norms for the design, presentation, approval and follow-up of the projects will be financed with said resources;

WHEREAS:

That until December 2015, the General Secretariat of UNASUR received a financing request to support a total of four projects with the resources from the Common Initiatives Fund.

That, the 4th of August 2015, the Pro-Tempore Presidency of the South American Culture Council raised to the General Secretary of UNASUR its approval of the following two FIC projects: Technical Seminar on Inter-culturality "Cultural Diversities of South America", and, Second Market of Cultural Industries of the South 2016 (MICSUR).

That, the 19th of August 2015, the Pro-Tempore Presidency of the South American Council of Economy and Finance raised to the General Secretary of UNASUR its approval of the following FIC project: Study on the availability of guarantees for intra-regional exports and commercial aspects of productive integration projects in the region.

That, the 30th of November 2015, the Pro-Tempore Presidency of the South American Council on Education raised to the General Secretary of UNASUR its approval of the following FIC project: Regional Criteria on Educational Quality for the Construction of the Education Measurement and Evaluation in the Member States of UNASUR.

That the annual regular budget of UNASUR establishes a provision for financial resources within the subhead: "PROGRAM 3: Temporary Common Initiatives 2.08.01 Allocations for distribution" for a total value of US$650.000;

That UNASUR aims to finance common initiatives to develop projects that promote the sustainable development of the peoples of the Member States and that contribute to achieve
the objectives of the Union and to build a South American citizenship and identity, as well as to contribute to the reduction of poverty, exclusion and social inequality;

That the integration process of the Union requires that the Sectoral Ministerial Councils are able to develop common initiatives, within the scope of their action plans and the strategic objectives of the Constitutive Treaty, which will be financed through the "Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR";

That it is necessary to promote the implementation of the projects financed by the Common Initiatives Fund, taking into account the experience gained in the application of the regulations of common initiatives and the contributions that in that sense the states can make within the scope of regional cooperation.

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

RESOLVES:

Article 1.- Approve the projects of common initiatives that are in Annex I of the present Resolution. According to the "Regulations for the execution of the Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR", the projects shall be coordinated by the General Secretariat UNASUR for its early adaptation and materialization.

Article 2.- The value of each project and the responsible entities for their execution are the followings:

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<th>SECTORAL MINISTERIAL COUNCILS</th>
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<td>November 30, 2015</td>
<td>Regional Criteria on Educational Quality for the Construction of the Education Measurement and Evaluation in the Member States of UNASUR.</td>
<td>160.000</td>
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*CSC: South American Culture Council.  
CSEF: South American Council of Economy and Finance.
CSE: South American Council on Education.

**Article 3.**- The common initiatives referred to in the present resolution, shall be funded from the 2016 budget, up to the amount established for each of these four projects.

**Article 4.**- The four projects approved will be executed from the date on which the letter of commitment for its implementation is signed between the General Secretariat of UNASUR (Financial Executing Entity) and the Technical Executing Entity of the initiative. The signing of the letter of commitment must take place no later than 120 days after the adoption of the present resolution, otherwise the approval of project financing by the Common Initiatives Fund shall be without effect and its budgetary resources will be reallocated in accordance with the order of priority of the Bank for FIC Projects.

**Article 5.**- FIC funds will be budgetarily disbursed at the signing of the Letter of Commitment for execution. The General Secretariat of UNASUR will transfer the funds committed for the execution of the Letter of Commitment to a specific bank account named "FIC Projects". The administration of the FIC funds will be made through an extra budgetary account called "FIC-projects Account". Each project will be identified in an accounting sub account of the "FIC-projects Account".

**Article 6.**- The General Secretariat shall send to the Council of Delegates, within three months after the conclusion of the FIC project, a final report in the terms of Article 24 of the Regulations for the Execution of the Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR in force and of clause 8 of the model of the letter of commitment for the execution of the UNASUR project, which appears as Annex 3 of said Regulation.

**Article 7.**- In January 2018, the General Secretariat shall send to the Council of Delegates a report of the stage of execution of the projects authorized in Article 2 of this Resolution. The report shall indicate the projects that eventually were not executed, as to adopt the measures stated in Article 27 of the Regulation for the Execution of the Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR.

Montevideo, April 8th, 2016.
ANNEX I

COMMON INITIATIVES PROJECTS

BACKGROUND

The Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs approved on November 29, 2012, the Regulation of Common Initiatives through Resolution N°38/2012, which establishes the criteria for the submission, selection, execution and monitoring of projects that will be financed through the "Common Initiatives Fund of UNASUR". Also by the Resolution CMRE/RESOLUTION No 018/2015, adopted on December 9, 2015, it was established that the 2016 budget of UNASUR, will have an item called 2.08.01 " Allocations to distribute".

In order to comply with the provision on Art. N°8, paragraph g, of the Constitutive Treaty and in Resolution N°018/2015, that sanctioned the budget, it is necessary to submit to the Council of Delegates, the common initiatives that will be financed by the budget in execution.

IDENTIFICATION OF THE PROJECTS PRESENTED TO THE "COMMON INITIATIVES FUND OF UNASUR" BY THE MINISTERIAL SECTORAL COUNCILS

According to what is established in Resolution N°38/2012, of the Regulation for the use of the Common Initiatives Fund, in its transitory clause, the General Secretariat received four projects by December 1st, 2015, which originate from the Sectoral Ministerial Councils.

Down below there is a description of these initiatives - based on achieving the objectives set out in the respective action plans of the Sectoral Ministerial Councils, assessed by the Table of Technical Evaluation established by the General Secretariat for a total value of three hundred ninety-six thousand eight hundred and fifty US dollars (US$396,850)- that will be financed with the extra 2016 budget. To do this, the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of UNASUR decided to allocate US$396,850 in addition to the item 2.08.01 " Allocations to distribute" with the goal of being able to run these four projects in 2016.

The projects will be optimized in their materialization taking into account the contributions in the area of information and communication technologies that the Information and Communication Center of UNASUR can execute, which is based in the headquarters of the General Secretariat.

The projects to be executed with the resources of the Common Initiatives Fund with resources for the year 2016 are the following:
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SUMMARY OF THE PROJECTS OF COMMON INITIATIVES

- **PIC/SG/No.01/2016**

**Name of the project:** Technical Seminar on Inter-culturality “Cultural Diversities of South America”.

Amount: USD$ 79,500

**Proposing Sectoral Council:** South American Council of Culture

**General objective:**

The delegates and experts of the South American Council of Culture create technical proposals that enable to establish unified technical criteria and the creation of strategies to implement the elaboration of the Atlas of South American Cultural Diversity

**Specific Objectives**

1. Exchange of mutual knowledge about the cultural diversity of indigenous peoples and Afro-descendant communities existing in the Member States of the UNASUR, through an understanding of the cultural characteristics and the great importance of the preservation of cultural diversity in South America.

2. Presentation of strategies to train the technical support of the Atlas of Cultural Diversity and the establishment of guidelines to develop research, studies and technical work on the existing cultural diversity in the Member States of UNASUR.

3. Production and publication of a report on the results achieved at the Technical Seminar on Interculturality "Cultural diversities of South America" (Technical Meeting to find consensus on the methodology to prepare the Atlas of Cultural Diversity of South America).

- **PIC/SG/No.02/2016**

**Name of the project:** Second Market of Cultural Industries of the South 2016 (MICSUR).

Amount: USD$ 72,600

**Proposing Sectoral Council:** South American Council of Culture

**General objective:**

Integration of the South American countries by creating and consolidating a platform to circulate knowledge, dissemination, promotion and marketing of goods and services generated by the cultural and creative industries in the region.

**Specific Objectives**

1. Generate a greater economic value of these companies on the basis of strengthening the enterprises and the business environment of the participating cultural industries in the market.
2. Promote the improvement of competitiveness and the generation of shared value as fundamental elements to contribute to the quality of life of the countries of the region, through governance, the ability to articulate public and private actors; specialized management of information and knowledge; the management of public policy; the representatives of the business sector; as well as the work articulated by building a portfolio of integrated services and cultural solutions.

- PIC/SG/No. 03/2016

**Name of the project:** Study on the availability of guarantees for intra-regional exports and commercial aspects of productive integration projects in the region.

**Amount:** USD$84,750.

Proposing Sectoral Council South American Council for Economy and Finance

**General objective:**

Deepen the analysis on the availability of credit guarantees for intra-regional exports and commercial aspects of projects of productive integration as one of the ways to consolidate the market in the region, suggesting possible areas of technical cooperation and coordinated operational actions and generating a space for that discussion between the relevant institutions.

**Specific Objectives**

1) Prepare a report on the mapping of guarantee funds in the region to finance intra-regional exports and commercial aspects of the projects of productive integration in the region, also including information on the characteristics of the guarantees in terms of cost and availability for the micro, small and medium-sized enterprises and the use of payment systems.

2) Identify and suggest possible areas of cooperation and coordinated operational actions among the different institutions related to the topics, including relevant national institutions and the national and regional banks of development.

- PIC/SG/No. 04/2016

**Name of the project:** Regional Criteria on Educational Quality for the Construction of the Education Measurement and Evaluation in the Member States of UNASUR.

**Amount:** USD$160,000.

**Proposing Sectoral Council** South American Council on Education

**General objective:**

Contribute to the process of elaboration and reaching consensus on regional criteria for the development of periodic assessment on the quality and equity in education at early childhood, elementary, middle and/or high school levels (CINE0, CINE1, CINE2 and CINE3) done by the Member States

**Specific Objectives**

1. Regional conceptualizations of the "educational quality" in the region and assessment methods
2. Survey of the characteristics and scope of the student assessments operation that are implemented in the Member States of UNASUR:

   a) performance and learning of the students

   b) assessment to teachers/professors

   c) Material dimensions (infrastructure, equipment, technology, school feeding, basic services, other)

   d) Curricular dimension (pedagogical processes, planning and evaluation, incorporation of content in forms of learning of indigenous peoples and other actors, teaching resources, other)

   e) Dimension of community social participation and incidence of transformation and dimension of multilingualism in the pedagogical process related to being (identity) know (knowledge), do (educational practice) decision (policy/community)

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