



Declaration of the Member Institutions of the Joint Summit Working Group (JSWG) on the occasion of the Ninth Summit of the Americas

On the occasion of the Ninth Summit of the Americas held in Los Angeles, California on June 8 – 10, 2022, we, the High-Level Authorities of the member institutions of the Joint Summit Working Group: General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS), the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB); the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO); the World Bank (WB); the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA); the Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABI); the Development Bank of Latin America (CAF); the International Organization for Migration (IOM); the International Labour Organization (ILO); the United Nations Development Program (UNDP); the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB); and the Secretariat of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD);

Recognizing:

- 1- The mandates of the Heads of State and Government of the Americas adopted at the Ninth Summit of the Americas under the theme ***Building a Sustainable, Resilient, and Equitable Future*** to address hemispheric challenges and opportunities related to social inclusion, economic recovery, health and resiliency, climate change, democracy, digital transformation and migration.
- 2- The urgent need to redouble our efforts to address in a coordinated, comprehensive, and effective way the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in the Americas, as the most affected region in the world, as well as an uncertain political and fiscal regional context, promoting a collective agenda, and strengthening collaboration between international organizations and relevant stakeholders, with a view to fully implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in our Hemisphere.

Building on the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by the JSWG institutions in 2018,¹ which seeks “ To strengthen the coordination and follow-up on the mandates of the Summit of the Americas,” we reaffirm our commitment to:

- 1- Strengthen coordination and collaboration among the member institutions of the Joint Summit Working Group, to support the implementation and follow-up on the hemispheric agenda defined by the Ninth Summit of the Americas mandates.
- 2- Optimize technical cooperation, effective program execution and efficient use of resources, avoiding overlap and duplication of work among JSWG member institutions, increasing funding opportunities for the countries of the region, and ensuring consistency in the implementation of the Summit's mandates.
- 3- Contribute to building the resilience and capacity response needed for the region to be better prepared to respond to future crises.
- 4- Provide technical support to Governments in developing action plans envisaged for the Summit’s mandates for timely implementation, to enable Governments to move from mandates to policies and actions for the recovery and rebuilding of the Americas².
- 5- Support the Americas’ recovery agenda and efforts to *build a sustainable, resilient and equitable future* and seek cooperative actions on these mandates of participating States of the Summit process, in coordination with the Summit of the Americas Secretariat.

¹ Except OECD which joined the JSWG by exchange of letters in 2019.

² Due to the World Bank’s apolitical mandate, the World Bank cannot join paragraph 4.