IV Summit of the Americas

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Background

First Summit
(Miami, December 1994)

Summit on Sustainable Development
(Santa Cruz de la Sierra, December 1996)

Second Summit
(Santiago, April 1998)

Third Summit
( Quebec City, April 2001)

Special Summit
(Monterrey, January 2004)
MECHANISMS FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND FOLLOW UP

Ministers of Foreign Affairs

Ministerial Meetings

Summit Implementation Review Group (SIRG) (National Coordinators)

Steering Committee (United States, Bolivia, Chile, Canada, México and Argentina)

Executive Council (Steering Committee + Brazil and Representatives of Regional Groups: Central America, Rio Group, Andean Group, CARICOM)

Joint Summit Working Group (OAS, IDB, PAHO, ECLAC, IICA, WB, CABEI, CAF, CDB, IOM, ILO, ICA)

Summits of the Americas Secretariat

OAS Secretary General

OAS Permanent Council

OAS General Assembly

OAS Committee on Inter-American Summits Management and Civil Society Participation in OAS Activities (CISC)

OAS offices and Institutions responsible for Implementing Summit mandates (CICAD)

Summits of the Americas Secretariat

- Technical Secretariat and institutional memory of the Summit of the Americas Process
- Coordinates within the OAS the activities related to the implementation of Summit mandates
- Supports activities with civil society, the academics and the private sector in the framework of the Summit Process
- Chairs the Joint Summit Working Group
- Coordinates Civil Society participation and supports the indigenous issues
- Promotes and disseminates Summit mandates to Member States, civil society, private sector, academia, and the media.

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The issue of drugs in the First Summit of the Americas
(Miami, December 1994)

► Established the need of a Hemispheric Strategy to reduce consumption and the production of drugs
► Committed to adopt programs to prevent and reduce the demand and consumption of illicit drugs.
► Agreed to fight against the consumption and cultivation of illicit drugs and to work in the control of chemical products related to the fabrication of illicit drugs.

The issue of drugs in the Second Summit of the Americas
(Santiago de Chile, April 1998)

► Reiterated their commitment to develop national and multilateral efforts in order to achieve full application of the Hemispheric Anti-Drug Strategy
► Develop, in the framework of CICAD, a Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM) in order to monitor the progress of their individual and collective efforts in the Hemisphere and of all the countries in dealing with the diverse manifestations of the problem.
► Strengthen national efforts and international cooperation in different areas related to this problem (reduction of consumption and demand, alternative development and rehabilitation programs, money laundering, and information sharing).
The issue of drugs in the Third Summit of the Americas (Quebec City, April 2001)

► Establish units with financial intelligence functions, with the support of CICAD and international agencies specialized in this area

► Develop, within the framework of CICAD, a long-term strategy that includes a long-term program to establish a basic and homogeneous mechanism to estimate the social, human, and economic costs of the drug problem in the Americas, and to support countries through the necessary technical assistance

► Support measures to impede organized crime, money-laundering, the diversion of chemical precursors, the financing of armed groups, and other illicit activities resulting from drug and arms trafficking

The issue of drugs in the Special Summit of the Americas (Monterrey, January 2004)

3 main issues:
- Economic Growth with Equity to Reduce Poverty
- Social Development
- Democratic Governance

Declaration of Nuevo Leon:

“We commit to fight all forms of transnational crime, including illicit trafficking in drugs, arms, and persons, particularly when they generate funds used in support of terrorist organizations.”
ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE SUMMITS OF THE AMERICAS

► Inter-American Democratic Charter
► Launching of the FTAA negotiations
► Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM)
► Follow up Mechanism of the Inter-American Convention against Corruption
► Advances in participation of civil society, private sector and academics

IV Summit of the Americas

► November 4 - 5, 2005
  Mar del Plata, Argentina
► Theme: “Creating Jobs to Confront Poverty and Strengthen Democratic Governance”
Regional Panorama

- Recent data of ECLAC suggests that there are 220 million Latin Americans (44% of the population of Latin America and the Caribbean) living with less than two dollars per day and 80 million in poverty, surviving with less than one dollar daily.

- According to the ILO, 7 out of every 10 working posts have been created in the informal sector since 1990.

- The last report of Latinobarometro indicates that 55% of the interviewed “would not mind a non-democratic government in power if it resolves the economic problems”.

IV Summit - Argentina, 2005
Calendar of Preparatory Meetings

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| XXXVII SIRG XIII Executive Council | Buenos Aires, Argentina March 9-10, 2005 | 1. Preparations for the IV Summit  
2. Follow-up on Summit mandates  
3. Consultations with Civil Society |
| XXXVIII SIRG (Ministerial) | Fort Lauderdale, USA June 6, 2005  | 1. Preparations for the IV Summit  
2. Follow-up on Summit mandates |
| XXXIX SIRG               | Fort Lauderdale, USA June 8, 2005  | 1. Preparations for the IV Summit |
| XL SIRG                  | Buenos Aires, Argentina September 2005 | 1. Preparations for the IV Summit  
2. Follow-up on Summit mandates  
3. Consultations with Civil Society |
| IV Summit of the Americas | Mar del Plata, Argentina November 4 - 5, 2005 | 1. Dialogue with Civil Society  
2. Dialogue with the Private Sector  
3. Dialogue with Heads of State and Government  
4. Adoption of the Declaration and the Plan of Action |
XXXVII Meeting of the Summit
Implementation Review Group (SIRG)
March 9 -10 - Buenos Aires

- Follow-up on the commitments in the area of Social Development
- Presentations by OAS, ECLAC, IICA, PAHO
- Presentation and discussion of the Draft Declaration and Draft Guidelines for the Plan of Action of the IV Summit
- Deadline- May 2 to send comments on these 2 documents
- Consultations with civil society on the priorities for the IV Summit

Preliminary Documents
IV Summit of the Americas

“Creating Jobs to Confront Poverty and Strengthen Democratic Governance”

- Draft Declaration
- Draft Guidelines for the Plan of Action
Draft Declaration of Mar del Plata

► “We accord job opportunities a central place on the hemispheric agenda, associating work with the principles of liberty, justice, security, protection, and gender equality, bearing in mind the role it plays as an instrument of social integration and promotion of economic development and the multiple dimensions of human security.”

► “In order to consolidate democracy and combat social exclusion, unemployment, and the growth of informal sectors, we undertook to create conditions conducive to the generation of decent jobs... with effective actions to fight corruption and organized crime...”

Draft Guidelines for the Plan of Action

1. Guaranteeing Basic Labor Rights

II. Inserting the National Economies in an Inclusive Globalization

III. Strengthening Democratic Governance
MINISTERIAL MEETINGS PREVIOUS TO THE IV SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS

11 Meeting of Ministers and Highest Appropriate Authorities on Social Development
El Salvador, October

Ministerial Meeting of the Western Hemisphere Transportation Initiative WHTI
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, August

Meeting of Ministers and High Authorities on Sustainable Development
Bolivia, September 8 - 9

XIV Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor
Mexico, September 26 - 27

Third Meeting of Ministers and High-Level Authorities Responsible for Policies on Decentralization, Local Government and Citizen Participation in the Hemisphere
United States, September

IV Ministerial Meeting of Education
Trinidad & Tobago, August 18 – 19

Activities to Increase Civil Society Participation towards the IV Summit of the Americas

- Roundtable with Civil Society: “Creating Jobs to Confront Poverty and Strengthen Democratic Governance”
  (Washington, January 24 y 25)

- Civil Society Regional Forum in preparation for the OAS General Assembly
  (Washington, DC, April 11 y 12)

- Subregional Andean Forum
  (Lima – April14-15)

Future Events:

- Civil Society in SI RG meetings
- Regional Forums
- September: Civil society Hemispheric for the IV Summit of the Americas
- November: IV Summit of the Americas: Dialogue with Civil Society
Events in preparation for the Fourth Summit

► Gender Forum
  April 7 – 9, 2005
  (Buenos Aires, Argentina)

► Subregional Andean Forum
  April 14 – 15, 2005
  (Lima, Peru)

► Forum of Young Entrepreneurs of the Americas
  August 2005
  (Buenos Aires, Argentina)

► Thought Forum – TBD

► II Indigenous People Summit
  November 1 – 3, 2005
  (Argentina)

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NATIONAL COORDINATORS
Presenting comments on the Draft Declaration and Guidelines for the Plan of Action and proposing issues and language at SIRG meetings

How to introduce recommendations to the Summit Documents

Through presentation of ministerial meetings' conclusions to the SIRG
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By encouraging the participation of civil society organizations in the regional and hemispheric activities that brings recommendations to the ministerial meetings and to the SIRG.

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By contacting the Chair of the SIRG directly (Argentina).
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Through the members of the Joint Summit Working Group (JSWG)

By reporting to the Summits of the Americas Secretariat on activities and accomplishments on Summit Commitments, which will be included in a report to be presented to the Heads of State and Government at the IV Summit
“Today, the lack of jobs appears as one of the fundamental concerns of the women and men of the Americas. This lack is linked to the school drop-off rates, poor sanitary conditions, the fracture of families, access to drugs, common delinquency and, what is of great concern to some parts of our region, the increase of illegal economic activities related directly or indirectly to violence.”

Speech – Ambassador Jorge Taiana, Secretary of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Argentina
XXXVIII SIRG Meeting
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