



**Summary Report on FEALAC Working Groups
21st FEALAC Senior Officials' Meeting
November 30, 2021**

1. This summary report on FEALAC Working Groups was submitted by the FEALAC Cyber Secretariat to the 21st FEALAC Senior Officials' Meeting which was virtually held on November 30th, 2021. Given the current extraordinary situation, and considering the format of the meeting, this report was drafted as an alternative to the normal proceedings of FEALAC Working Group Meetings and is expected to provide a summary of the progress of FEALAC Working Groups from 2020 to 2022.
2. From 2020 to 2021, FEALAC member countries have carried out 43 national and 2 regional projects. In 2022, 5 member countries plan to carry out 7 projects under the four FEALAC Working Groups. The list of FEALAC projects in 2020-2022 is attached as annex 1.

Culture, Youth, Gender, and Sports Working Group

3. Indonesia, the Co-chair of the Working Group on Culture, Youth, Gender, and Sports (CYGS), stated that from East Asia Region there are eight (8) completed national projects, 3 new national projects to be carried out in 2022, and 1 completed regional project.

For National Project of WG CYGS from East Asia Region, there are eight (8) completed projects i.e:

1. FEALAC Youth Center (Indonesia)
2. FEALAC Day "Enhancing Women Entrepreneurship In The Midst Of Covid-19: stories from Indonesia and Latin America" (Indonesia)
3. FEALAC DAY 2021: Recover Together, Recover Stronger (Indonesia)
4. FEALAC Book Concert (Korea)
5. 2020 FEALAC Supporters Program (Korea)
6. Voices of Young FEALAC: Ideas for Better Connection (Korea)
7. 2021 FEALAC Supporters Program (Korea)
8. FEALAC Cyber Secretariat 10th Anniversary Exhibition (Korea)

There are also three (3) New National Projects of WG CYGS from East Asia Region that will be carried out on 2022 i.e:

1. FEALAC Journalists' Visit Programme (Singapore)
2. East Asia Latin America Cultural Exchange in Hue Festival (Viet Nam)
3. Network of FEALAC cultural cities (Viet Nam)

For regional Project of WG CYGS from East Asia Region, there is one (1) completed project, i.e: East Asia-Latin America Cultural Exchanges in Hue Festival 2020 (Viet Nam).

Science, Technology, Innovation, and Education Working Group



4. Panama, as Co-chair of the Working Group on Science, Technology, Innovation, and Education (STIE), was led by Itza Broce, Director of International Cooperation a.i., Panama and Japan, and we presented the summary report on FEALAC Working Groups of STIE.

We thank Lao PDR and Dominican Republic for organizing this meeting and Both co-chairs we took note of the registered projects for this Working Group.

National Projects

Panama

Center for Biodiversity and Drug Discovery (CBDD), for sharing the experience of CBDD scientists in the planning, writing and execution of scientific research projects.

Panama

Virtual platform of the Regional Humanitarian Assistance Logistics Center (CLRAH), for strengthen the facilities of the Knowledge Transfer Center as an instance of knowledge, training, skills development, and Exchange of experiences in logistics and humanitarian assistance in the Mesoamerican Region and the Caribbean.

Socio-Political Cooperation, Sustainable Development, and Climate Change Working Group

5. China, the Co-chair of the Working Group on Socio-Political Cooperation, Sustainable Development, and Climate Change (SPCSDCC), stated that since the 9th FMM, 11 national projects have already been implemented or still ongoing and 2 new projects have been presented in the SPCSDCC working group which involves think tank exchanges, youth development, public health, environmental protection, gender equality and other fields. In 2022, China will hold new sessions of International Conference on “East Asia-Latin America Research Partners Dialogue” and China-LAC Youth Development Forum.

According to the project list from FEALAC Cyber Secretariat, 11 national projects have already been implemented or still ongoing and 2 new projects have been presented in the SPCSDCC working group since the 9th FMM.

National Projects

China

1. International Conference on “East Asia-Latin America Research Partners Dialogue” (2021)

This project aims to build a dialogue platform for experts, scholars, academic institutions and think tanks from East Asia and Latin America, and conducting in-depth exchanges on the promotion of the regional cooperation between East Asia and Latin America. The



conference was held in a combined online and offline manner in Beijing, China, under the theme of “Development and Cooperation in East Asia and Latin America in Great Changes”, More than 120 experts and scholars from China, Japan, South Korea, Singapore, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay and other countries attended the meeting.

2. China-LAC Youth Development Forum (2021)

This forum aims to improve the exchanges and mutual understanding between the youths of the two regions. Focusing on cooperation between China and LAC, responsibilities of the youths, and poverty reduction challenges in the face of COVID-19 pandemic, China-LAC Youth Development Forum (2021) was held in Shanghai, attracting youth leaders and youth representatives from China and 10 countries of LAC to participate online or offline.

3. Third China-LAC Local Government Cooperation Forum (on going)

This forum aims at promoting mutual understanding and cooperation, sharing developmental and administrative experience among local governments of the two regions. The forum was postponed.

Thailand

Sharing Thailand's Experience on COVID-19 Management through TICA Knowledge Bank as well as Thailand's development experience through webinars:

1. Collaborative and Development of Health System: How to Strengthen the Capacity of Public Health Personnel during the COVID-19 Pandemic
2. Online International Training Program on Early Childhood Health Promotion and Health Care Management: Beyond COVID-19 Era
3. Public Health Measures and Adaptation of Thailand for Emergence of COVID-19
4. The New Normal with Sustainable Community-based Ecotourism Development
5. Sufficiency Economy in Microfinance for SMEs Development
6. Coral Reef Ecosystem Management for Sustainable Development Goals
7. Food Hygiene and Sanitation for Food Handlers
8. Promoting Gender Equality and Women Empowerment: Sharing Thailand's Experiences in Practices

Presentation of the SPCSD Members' New Proposals



National Projects

China

In 2022, China will promote to hold activities such as new sessions of International Conference on “East Asia-Latin America Research Partners Dialogue” and China-LAC Youth Development Forum.

The Co-Chairs of the SPCSDCC working group encourage member countries to propose new projects.

Trade, Investment, Tourism, and SMEs Working Group

6. Argentina, the Co-chair of the Working Group on Trade, Investment, Tourism, and SMEs (TITM) presented following project as a TITM regional project:

Regional Project

E Phyto and trade modernisation project (Argentina, Australia, Guatemala – 2021)

- Project Purpose & Description:

- * Enhancement of technical support for GeNS countries in Latin America and Asia/Pacific
- * Automatic Treatment monitoring and Traceability cooperation
- * Pilot of ePhyto between Argentina and Australia after Australia implements it in

Production

- General remarks:

Since 2017, Argentina and Australia have been carrying out three consecutive biannual projects in the field of Electronic Phytosanitary Certification (e-Phyto). An ePhyto system is a computer system through which phytosanitary certificates are prepared and electronically exchanged between National Plant Protection Organizations. The adoption of ePhytos facilitates speedy and secure transmission of phytosanitary certificates between trading parties, thus eliminating fraudulent certificates and facilitating trade.

The electronic phytosanitary certificate is already replacing, in many cases, the paper certification for exporting products of plant origin. It is a tool that facilitates international trade in plant-based products, making it safer, cheaper and faster.

In March 2020, the third project called "E-phyto and modernization of trade" was about to begin with the aim to improve institutional capacities for the modernization of trade in relation to phytosanitary products. The pandemic stopped face-to-face missions, but not virtual efforts.

7. Korea, the Co-chair of the Working Group on Trade, Investment, Tourism, and SMEs (TITM), stated that in 2020-21, there was only one national project identified as a TITM Working Group project, which is the Republic of Korea's FEALAC Online Talk Concert. Trade, investment, tourism, and MSMEs are the areas that suffered the most from the global pandemic situation. Korea hoped to see more TITM-themed projects to be carried



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out from 2022, for economic recovery, trade facilitation, and people-to-people exchange between the two regions.

National Project: FEALAC Online Talk Concert (Republic of Korea)

This event was held in November, 2021, to introduce Latin America as an attractive tourist destination to the Korean public.

Closing Remarks

8. The co-chairs of the Working Groups and the FEALAC Cyber Secretariat would like to express our gratitude to Lao PDR and Dominican Republic for hosting the 21st Senior Officials' meeting and providing opportunities for working groups to present their status and progress on their FEALAC projects through this report.



Annex 1. FEALAC Projects 2020-2022

1. National Project

Country	Year	National Project	WG
Argentina	2020	Campus Global	STIE
Argentina	2021	Latin America and the Caribbean Southeast Asia Academic Dialogue Forum	STIE
Argentina	2021	Programa Sur	CYGS
Brazil	2020	FEALAC University Network	STIE
Brunei Darussalam	2020	FEALAC University Discovery Year (FUDY)	STIE
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Brunei Darussalam	2022	FEALAC University Discovery Year (FUDY)	STIE
China	2020	6th "Bridge to the Future" Training Camp for Young Leaders from China and Latin America and the Caribbean (on line)	SPCSDCC
China	2020	3rd China-LAC Local Government Cooperation Forum	SPCSDCC
China	2021	China-Latin America and the Caribbean Youth Development Forum 2021	SPCSDCC
China	2021	International Conference on "East Asia-Latin America Research Partners Dialogue" 2021	SPCSDCC
China	2022	China-Latin America and the Caribbean Youth Development Forum 2022	SPCSDCC
China	2022	International Conference on "East Asia-Latin America Research Partners Dialogue" 2022	SPCSDCC
Colombia	2020	Dissemination of Colombian Culture through the Teaching of Spanish	CYGS
Indonesia	2020	FEALAC Youth Center	CYGS
Indonesia	2020	FEALAC Day "Enhancing Women Entrepreneurship In The Midst Of Covid-19: stories from Indonesia and Latin America"	CYGS
Indonesia	2021	FEALAC DAY 2021: Recover Together, Recover Stronger	CYGS
Japan	2020	Invitation program for young leaders of FEALAC	STIE
Japan	2020	"Juntos!!" Japan-Latin America and Caribbean Exchange Program Alumni Event	STIE
Japan	2020	"Juntos!!" Japan-Latin America and the Caribbean Exchange Program for the group of Caricom	STIE
Japan	2020-2025	SATREPS: Establishment of Integrated Forest Management System for Conservation of Mountain Forest Ecosystems in the Andean - Amazon	STIE
Japan	2020	SATREPS: Project for Development of Integrated Expert System for Estimation and Observation of Damage Level of Infrastructure in Lima Metropolitan Area	STIE



Japan	2021	Invitation program for young leaders of FEALAC	STIE
Japan	2021	SATREPS: Creation of a Local Value Chain by Optimizing Cattle Microbial Flora and Grassland Management on Digital Infrastructure	STIE
Japan	2021	SATREPS: Numerical Weather Prediction and Warning Communication System for Densely Populated and Vulnerable Cities	STIE
Korea	2020	FEALAC Book Concert	CYGS
Korea	2020	FEALAC Supporters Program	CYGS
Korea	2020	Voices of Young FEALAC: Ideas for Better Connection	CYGS
Korea	2021	FEALAC Supporters Program	CYGS
Korea	2021	FEALAC Cyber Secretariat 10th Anniversary Exhibition	CYGS
Korea	2021	2021 FEALAC Online Talk Concert	TITM
Mexico	2020	26th Course on Mexican Foreign Policy for Latin American and Caribbean Diplomats	CYGS
Mexico	2020	Joint Research on Subjects of Common Interest (one)	CYGS
Mexico	2021	Course: Mexican Foreign Policy, for Diplomats of the Americas	CYGS
Singapore	2022	FEALAC Journalists' Visit Programme	CYGS
Thailand	2020	Sharing Thailand's Experience on the COVID-19 Management through TICA Knowledge Bank on COVID-19 and webinars:	SPCSDCC
Thailand	2020	• Collaborative and Development of Health System: How to Strengthen the Capacity of Public Health Personnel during the COVID-19 Pandemic	SPCSDCC
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Panama	2021	Center for Biodiversity and Drug Discovery	STIE
Panama	2021	Virtual platform of the Regional Humanitarian Assistance Logistics Center (CLRAH)	STIE
Philippines	2021	Philippine International Quincentennial Conference (PIQC): The Southeast Asian-Latin American Connection (Session 7)	STIE



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Viet Nam	2022	East Asia Latin America Cultural Exchange in Hue Festival	CYGS
Viet Nam	2022	Network of FEALAC cultural cities	CYGS

2. Regional Project

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Argentina, Australia, Guatemala	2021	E Phyto and trade modernisation project	TITM
Vietnam	2020	East Asia-Latin America Cultural Exchanges in Hue Festival 2020	CYGS

* The list has been updated as of November 26, 2021.