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UNESCO - IESALC Director`s letter, Pedro Henríquez Guajardo.



It is been a while since we started to analyze the need of launching again an IESALC bulletin. Different circumstances such as the institutional policy and the resources had impeded it. Today, we can concretize this wish by launching to you dear readers, this first monthly bulletin with information of a fulfilling period of activities in our Institute. In doing so, we take the risk of being original and having an impact across the region with modest conditions. However, my team and I, we are very enthusiastic with this challenge.

At the same time, we also assume this challenge by continuing the dissemination of scientific knowledge through our “Higher Education and Society Magazine”. The bulletin, one per month since October 2016, will be oriented to spread the most important activities we have been developing in the framework of our institutional mission and future projects, so you our regional friends of Higher Education, could anticipate them. In this regard.... First and foremost, we want to enhance our visibility regarding the projects and activities we have been long-time executing giving the IESALC the role

of “Laboratory of ideas” and by providing the fundamental support to all the regional institutions and systems that have had limited access to the public sphere.

During its first months, the bulletin will be miscellaneous and will emphasize the most relevant approaches coming from regional institutions, networks, associations and other expressions of work team that, in our regard, must be outlined in the Tertiary education sphere. I send warm regards to our regional counterparts wishing the content of this “bulletin” may be of your interest and helps you all to learn about our institutional work, which represents 33 members States from Latin America and the Caribbean.

UNESCO-IESALC´s activities

3rd Latin American and Caribbean Congress REDLACEH -MINEDUC

Santiago, Chile / Sept. 29-30th

Institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean such as The Latin American and Caribbean Network for the Rights of Hospitalized and Under Treatment Children and Young people REDLACEH) and the UNITWIN in Hospitable Pedagogy Network have been taking care about this sphere of action in the region over the last ten years. This 3rd congress has been created as a space to exchange ideas about researches and new improvements by gathering (bringing together) experts, educators, researchers, authorities and particulars in this area. is project aims to provide the oppor-

tunity to children in difficult health situations to continue with their basic and media education through the “hospitable classrooms” as a way to improve pedagogical and medical skills to hospitable teachers through a regional Master’s degree in Hospitable Pedagogy.

The Latin American Parliament (Parlatino) has already accepted a legal framework and now decision-makers are awaiting the approval of the Education Ministries of each Latin American and Caribbean nation. This is a significant step forward in terms of health and educational aspects.



Mr Pedro Henríquez, Director of IESALC; Mrs María Isabel Díaz Pérez, Vice minister of Pre-school Education of Chile; Mrs Sylvia Riquelme, Head of REDLACEH; Mr Alfredo Jiménez, Technical Secretary of Parlatino; Mrs Paula Ferreira, III Congress Coordinator and member of the REDLACEH Council.

Seminar of Innovation and Academic Internationalization.

Lima, Peru / Sept. 19-20th

In the framework of the 55th Anniversary of the private Peruvian University Cayetano Heredia (CH), the Director of IESALC Henríquez performed a presentation about the IESALC approach in terms of strategies for the Internationalization of Higher Education systems and institutions, in order to draw its parameters of behaviour and to reinforce its active and guiding role in the region.

The IESALC’s approach underlines the universities mobility and quality assurance in general processes for Internationalization of Higher Education systems and institutions thanks to the Regional Observatory in Internationalization of Tertiary education’s (OBIRET) data, ally of IESALC.



Mr Pedro Henríquez, Director of IESALC

V Regional Meeting of the Disciplinary Core for Institutional Assessment, Strategic Planning and University Management of the Montevideo’s Grouping Universities (AUGM).

Montevideo, Uruguay / Sept. 9th

In the framework of the 25th anniversary of the AUGM, the IESALC’s Director, Henríquez, delivered a guiding speech about CRES 2018 to inform about the progress of this big regional meeting which will be held on June 2018 in Córdoba, Argentina. He also participated at the Conference: CTI` indicators ¿Is it possible to build a Latin-American system on Higher Education’s indicators? where he shared with the UIS Regional Official for Latin America and Caribbean from the UNESCO Institute for Statistics, Mr Juan Cruz Perusia and with the Coordinator of the Disciplinary Core for Institutional Assessment, Strategic Planning and University Management from the Littoral National University, Professor Adolfo Stubrin.

I Open Forum of Latin-America and the Caribbean Sciences 2016: Changing the Region. Sciences, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development of Latin America and the Caribbean (CILAC).

Montevideo, Uruguay / Sept. 6-9th

During the CILAC, the Academic Consultant Débora Ramos informed about the 5 IESALC Observatories and the President Henríquez intervened to explain the 44 quality indicators for Higher Education of INFOACES. It is an Integrated Higher Education data Sys-

tem for Latin America which was developed 10-15 years ago that included joint efforts and collaboration of around a hundred universities and the support of the Polytechnic University of Valencia(Universitat Politècnica de València), Spain thanks to the ALFA project financed by the European Union.

So far the project has not had continuity, but there are initiatives seeking to adapt and to resume this valuable work.

Steering Committee Meeting for the organization of the International Conference on Quality assurance in Higher Education.

Paris, France / Oct. 24-25th

On October 24th and 25th, the Director Henríquez took part in this meeting in order to support the organization and preparation of the International Conference on Quality assurance in Higher Education which will be held in Paris in 2018.

International Seminar: Politics for Internationalization of Higher Education.

Buenos Aires, Argentina / Nov. 2nd- 3rd

In the framework of the Strategic Plan for Internationalization of the Higher Education built by the International Cooperation Network of National Universities (CIUN), which depends on the National Interuniversity Council – CIN, the International Seminar: Politics for Internationalization of Higher Education will be held.

The CIUN-CIN coordinator, Mr Gustavo Tripaldi and the President of the Commission in International Affairs, Mr Jorge Calzonihave invited the Director Henríquez to participate into the round table: Internationalization and University Social Responsibility: towards the Regional Conference in Higher Education 2018.

UNESOC-IESALC Projections

The IESALC Executive Board.

Santa Fe, Argentina / Nov. 14-15th

The IESALC Executive Board 2015-2016 is represented by the following countries: Panama, Dominican Republic, Cuba, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Jamaica, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Venezuela and Brazil. Its next meeting will be held on November 14th and 15th in Santa Fe, Argentina thanks to the invaluable contribution and support of the Littoral National University. The Academic Consultant Débora Ramos and the Director will be the hosts of this event.

UNESCO Chairs.

We have 12 UNESCO Chairs framed in a common program of knowledge production in the Higher Education area. They are:

Name	Country
History and Future of the University	Argentina.
Education Sciences	Brazil.
Compared policies in Higher Education	Chile.
Inclusion and Higher Education	Chile.
Universitary management	Cuba.
Data management	Cuba.
University and Regional Integration	Mexico.
Quality Assurance in Higher Education	Mexico.
Academic Rights	Mexico.
Itinerant program about problems in habitability in Hispanic-American cities and comprehensive revitalization of historical centres	Puerto Rico.
Management, Innovation and Collaboration in Higher Education	Puerto Rico.
Education for peace	Puerto Rico.

In April 2017 we expect an UNESCO Chairs meeting in order to discuss and to exchange experiences.

Regional Conference on Higher Education 2018 – CRES 2018

On August 24th a first preparatory meeting was held in Cordoba, Argentina. IESALC prepared a working paper, which is being analysed by the involved parties.

The place where this Regional Conference will be held in 2018 has been chosen because of the Centenary of the Introductory Manifest of 1918, event of the University Reformation of Cordoba.

Regarding the fundraising, we count on the support of The Argentinian Ministry of Education and we will continue with the search for regional economic contributions.

Regional Convention in Recognition of Higher Education Studies, Titles and Diplomas.



In 2014 a high level meeting among regional ministers was held in order to create a working group to forward the

recognition of a regional framework in this area. Throughout 2016, two conferences were held in Cuba and Colombia with the working group.

At this moment, its members are modifying the articles and creating a glossary of terms.

We expect the third and fourth meetings to be held next year in order to have a final proposal for the UNESCO General Conference in November 2017.



UNESCO - IESALC Networks.

In Latin America and the Caribbean, we

have 80 networks classified in the following categories: national, regional, by topic and Agencies and International Organizations.

The 8th UNESCO-IESALC Encounter named Internationalization and knowledge management, towards CRES 2018 will be held around April 2017 in Dominican Republic.



Observatories:

At this moment, we have 3 active observatories. They are:

- Internationalization and Tertiary Education Network / OBIRET
- Social Responsibility
- Educational reformations and academic policies / OIREPOD



Higher Education and Society's Magazine (ESS).

In the framework of the 25th Anniversary of its first publication, we continue spreading scientific knowledge into the university network in the region.

Virtual Academic Classroom.

It is a discussion forum to the production of knowledge and improvement of proficiencies in Higher Education. By next year we are proposing an agenda of conferences and forums about our domain.