# **Technical Cooperation Document**

### I. Basic Information for TC

Country/Region:	REGIONAL	
■ TC Name:	Promoting Transformation in Latin-America and the Caribbean at COP 30	
■ TC Number:	RG-T4715	
■ Team Leader/Members:	Aguiar Parera Catalina (CSD/CCS) Team Leader; De Los Rios B, Ever Arturo (CSD/CSD) Alternate Team Leader; Goncalves Dos Santos Carolina (LEG/SGO); Medeiros, Eduardo (CSD/CSD); Gomez, Juan Carlos (CSD/CCS)	
■ Taxonomy:	Research and Dissemination	
Operation Supported by the TC:		
Date of TC Abstract authorization:	31 Mar 2025.	
Beneficiary:	IDB Borrowing Member Countries in Latin-America and the Caribbean	
Executing Agency and contact name:	Inter-American Development Bank	
Donors providing funding:	OC SDP Window 2 - Sustainability(W2A)	
■ IDB Funding Requested:	US\$375,000.00	
Local counterpart funding, if any:	US\$0	
<ul> <li>Disbursement period (which includes Execution period):</li> </ul>	24 months	
Required start date:	June 2025	
Types of consultants:	Firms and Individual Consultants	
Prepared by Unit:	CSD/CCS-Climate Change Solutions Division	
<ul> <li>Unit of Disbursement Responsibility:</li> </ul>	CSD/CCS-Climate Change Solutions Division	
TC included in Country Strategy:	Yes	
TC included in CPD:	No	
• Alignment to the Update to the Institutional Strategy 2024-2030:	Sustainable, resilient, and inclusive infrastructure; Productive development and innovation through the private sector; Biodiversity, natural capital, and climate action	

### II. Objectives and Justification of the TC

- 2.1 This technical cooperation (TC) is designed to set a roadmap of activities to be implemented during the participation of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) in the Conference of the Parties (COP 30) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCCC). These summits bring its parties together to accelerate policy transformations to promote sustainable economic growth, while also mobilizing the private sector, civil society, industry, and individuals. The Paris Agreement, adopted in 2015, aims at reducing global greenhouse gas emissions to hold a global temperature increase well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels, recognizing that this would significantly reduce the risks and impacts of climate change.
- 2.2 This Technical Cooperation (TC) aims at fostering the dialogue on shared policy challenges in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) within the framework of international climate negotiations and the Multilateral Development Banks (MDB) agenda. By facilitating regional coordination this TC will support collective action efforts. It will also fund the IDB's participation at COP 30 to highlight its strategic topics like resilience, Amazonia, financial innovations, climate action, and Belem alignment. Through this engagement, the IDB will: (i) strengthen its role as the leading partner in

- policy transformation across LAC, while positioning the region as a vital part of the global solution; (ii) showcase its projects, policies, and partnerships that advance investments within and beyond LAC; (iii) position the region as a leader in addressing environmental challenges on a global scale; and (iv) foster collaboration and dialogue with clients and partners.
- 2.3 The specific objective of the TC is to build a strategic presence during COP 30, which will take place in Belém, Brazil. Such a strong presence during the COP will allow for showcasing transformative initiatives, and projects, while generating a space for discussions that empower countries from the region to advance with their goals and commitments established under their national strategies. In that sense, the meeting is also an opportunity to highlight the IDB's leadership among MDB, as well as to build momentum to harvest deliverables that support sustainable economic growth and transformation.
- 2.4 Amazonia Forever, América en el Centro, and One Caribbean, significantly contribute to advancing the goals of COP 30. ONE Caribbean promotes sustainable development through, amongst other things, a dedicated focus on climate adaptation and resilience and disaster risk management (pillar 1 of the ONE Caribbean strategic framework) and its newly established Project Preparation Coordination mechanism for catalyzing investment into the region, alongside technical support for small and medium-sized enterprises seeking financing for climate-smart and resilient projects. Amazonia Forever is a comprehensive program that scales up financing, disseminates strategic knowledge, and improves regional coordination in the Amazon, in the heart where the COP 30 takes place. It aligns with the conference's goals by promoting sustainable, inclusive, and resilient development, addressing deforestation, and advancing responsible land use. América en el Centro prioritizes productivity, resilience, and social development, leveraging donor and private sector resources to enhance regional integration, and inclusive growth in Central America and the Dominican Republic. This initiative directly supports COP 30's objectives by fostering resilience and advancing economic sustainability in the region.
- 2.5 COP30 has identified six pillars as the main thematic topics and priorities for the conference, which are detailed in paragraphs <u>2.6</u> to <u>2.11</u>. The IDB will integrate these topics into its positioning strategy and work to align them with the overall IDB narrative
- 2.6 **Energy, Industry, Transport, and Circular Economy:** Creating a leveled playing field for alternative energy sources—by scaling up renewables, doubling energy efficiency, and reducing emissions—will be essential to achieving ambitious development goals. The COP 30 Presidency places strong emphasis on promoting innovative technologies and systems, including sustainable transport, resilient infrastructure, and the acceleration of a circular economy.
- 2.7 **Nature and Forests, Biodiversity, Water, and Ocean:** Halting and reversing forest loss and degradation is a key priority, alongside the use of economic mechanisms—such as carbon markets and payments for ecosystem services—to support conservation efforts. These actions are closely linked to the protection and sustainable use of biodiversity, water resources, and ocean ecosystems. This approach aligns with Brazil's emphasis on Amazon protection and the promotion of nature-based solutions.
- 2.8 **Food Systems and Agriculture:** It centers on the transformation of food systems to enhance resilience, reduce emissions, and protect livelihoods, topics particularly important for Brazil. Sustainable agriculture, climate-smart practices, and food security are emphasized as key priorities at the intersection of climate action and development.

- 2.9 Human Settlements, Adaptation, Infrastructure, and Early Warning Systems: this pillar addresses the urgent need for resilient urban development and infrastructure. It calls for scaled-up efforts in adaptation planning, including the implementation of early warning systems for multi-hazard preparedness, and emphasizes the importance of climate-resilient infrastructure to reduce risks in vulnerable communities.
- 2.10 Health, Social Protection, Cultural Heritage, and Loss and Damage: This pillar places strong emphasis on the human dimension of climate change. It highlights the importance of strengthening health systems and addressing climate-related health risks, expanding social protection mechanisms for vulnerable populations, and preserving cultural heritage—particularly for Indigenous Peoples and local communities. It also supports the operationalization of the Loss and Damage Fund and the recognition of non-economic losses.
- 2.11 **Cross-cutting:** Finance, Development and Technology Transparency, and Capacity Building: This pillar provides the enabling conditions necessary to deliver on all other pillars. It focuses on the mobilization of climate finance—public, private, and concessional—the deployment of clean technologies and support for innovation, and capacity building, particularly in developing countries. It also emphasizes the importance of strengthening transparency systems (MRV) and advancing the development of Country Platforms to coordinate national and international support.
- 2.12 **MDB Joint Collaboration.** The IDB will showcase its leadership among MDB, building momentum and harvesting deliverables to support sustainability goals. The IDB, through its private sector arm, IDB Invest, will chair the MDB Climate Heads starting in June 2025. In this role, it will lead MDB's collective climate action efforts to drive meaningful progress at COP 30 in Brazil and beyond, reinforcing their dialogue, coordination, and working as a system to respond to global climate needs. The IDB will incorporate input from IDB Invest into the technical dialogues to reflect MDB collaboration activities and will be responsible for the execution, in accordance with the Technical Cooperation Policy (GN-2470-2) and the TC Operational Guidelines (GN-2629-1).
- 2.13 The IDB has financed its participation in previous COP meetings with operations such as ATN/OC-20842-RG, ATN/MC-19461-RG, ATN/MC-18667-RG, ATN/MC18254-RG, ATN/OC-17504-CH, and ATN/OC-20117-RG, obtaining valuable results such as the announcement that the IDB will triple direct and mobilized climate financing for the region to \$150 billion over the next decade, the launch of *One Caribbean*, and the announcement of the first nine eligible projects that will be part of the IDB CLIMA pilot program, among other announcements. Lessons learned from previous experiences include: (i) the need to count on enough resources to fund professional communication services for a proper showcasing of Bank products; (ii) early engagement with other MDB for a proper organization of activities and pavilion logistics; (iii) early engagement with LAC countries to offer support during COP; and (iv) media partnership to influence decision-makers have the IDB Group reported in prominent Global Media Outlets on biodiversity and climate-related efforts and initiatives.
- 2.14 This TC is consistent with the IDB Institutional Strategy, Transforming for Scale and Impact (CA-631), and is aligned with its objectives of: (i) addressing climate change, as it promotes investments in adaptation and resilience that ultimately are more cost-effective than responding to disasters, and the cost of decarbonization in LAC is outweighed by economic and social benefits. Projected benefits include 1% additional economic growth and the creation of 15 million net new jobs by 2030; and (ii) reducing poverty and inequality. The TC strives to address the operational focus areas of: (i) biodiversity, natural capital and climate action; (ii) productive development and

- innovation through the private sector; and (iii) sustainable, resilient, and inclusive infrastructure through the mobilization of resources to increase engagement, active participation, leadership and positioning of the LAC region at COP 30 in support of biodiversity and climate action.
- 2.15 Moreover, the objectives of this TC are aligned with the IDB's Integrated Strategy for Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation and Sustainable and Renewable Energy (GN-2609-1) and its Action Plan (GN-2609-3), given its focus on: (i) strengthening the climate knowledge base; (ii) providing assistance to countries in times of national emergencies caused by natural disasters; (iii) strengthening institutional capacities; (iv) supporting technological innovations, reforms, and market access initiatives; and (v) complementing global and bilateral climate funds. The TC is aligned with the objectives of the Sustainability Window (W2A) of the Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Program (OC SPD, GN-2819-14), as it will open dialogues to identify thematic business lines in support of the following priority areas: (i) climate change and environmental sustainability; (ii) sustainable and resilient infrastructure; (iii) competitive global and regional integration; and (iv) Inclusive economic growth.

### III. Description of Activities/Components and Budget

- 3.1 Component 1. Enhancing resilience and socio-economic development in LAC (US\$50,000). Supporting knowledge generation plays a vital role in closing the knowledge gap in the region, while providing an opportunity to highlight flagship IDB operations and regional initiatives (¶2.4) and reinforce the IDB's positioning as a leading knowledge bank. This component will finance the hiring of an individual consultant for the development of a publication on resilience that will showcase IDB's leadership in advancing adaptation and disaster risk management (DRM) in LAC, providing a comprehensive analysis of challenges, innovative solutions, and financing mechanisms to support the region's resilience-building efforts. By addressing these issues, the IDB seeks to contribute to reducing the region's vulnerability, enhancing adaptive capacity, and promoting sustainable development in the face of a changing climate. Moreover, it seeks to: (i) create awareness of the main expected fiscal impacts of climate and disaster risks for LAC with and without investments on adaptation and DRM and recognizing their limits; (ii) showcase IDB's contributions to policy change, investments, and innovative finance for adaptation and DRM through practical examples; and (iii) provide actionable recommendations for scaling up adaptation efforts across sectors.
- 3.2 The outputs of this component include: (i) a flagship publication for which an individual consultant will be hired.
- 3.3 Component 2. Building a strategic presence during COP 30 (US\$325,000). The IDB will be required to consolidate a virtual and in-person presence during COP30 and help position IDB key topics and regional initiatives (¶2.4). To strengthen its on-site presence, the IDB will contract the firm convened by the UNFCCC to develop the IDB Pavilion of the Americas. Moreover, this component will finance: (i) between 50-60 IDB events, workshops and high-level engagements happening at the IDB pavilion in the COP 30 Blue Zone and will support the presentation of its regional initiatives, projects, and partnerships; and (ii) the participation of the IDB in events organized with other organizations, MDB, and/or countries, and co-organization of events with other organizations. As a result, these activities will highlight and disseminate key IDB initiatives such as One Caribbean, Amazonia Forever, and *América en el Centro*.

- which focus on productivity, climate adaptation and resilience, and social development in these globally critical biomes.
- 3.4 The outputs of this component include: (i) execution of planned events (virtual and onsite); (ii) firm that will carry out the logistics associated with Blue zone events at the IDB Pavilion.
- 3.5 The total estimated cost of this operation is US\$375,000, which will be financed with resources from Window 2 Sustainability (W2A) of the Ordinary Capital Strategic Development Program (OC SDP).

### Indicative Budget (US\$)

Activity/Component Description	IDB/Fund Funding	Total
Component 1. Enhancing resilience and socio-economic development in LAC	50,000	50,000
Component 2. Building a strategic presence during COP 30	325,000	325,000
Total	375,000	375,000

# IV. Executing Agency and Execution Structure

- 4.1 The Bank will act as the executing agency due to its ability to leverage its extensive network of internal and external subject-matter experts and well-established relationships with relevant stakeholders. The Climate Change Solutions Division of the IDB (CSD/CCS) will be responsible for supervising and implementing this operation's resources. The execution of the TC will be coordinated with the relevant divisions of the IDB, IDB invest and IDB Lab. IDB Invest and IDB Lab will prove technical input and the IDB will be responsible for the execution, in accordance with the Technical Cooperation Policy (GN-2470-2) and the TC Operational Guidelines (GN-2629-1).
- 4.2 The IDB will carry out the execution activities through CSD/CCS, which will be responsible for the operation's disbursements and procurement.
- 4.3 The project will leverage synergies and complementarities with IDB operations, research, and in-house expertise in NDC, LTS, and NBSAP planning and implementation. Additionally, due to the regional nature of this TC and since it originated at the initiative of the Bank, in accordance with Annex II of OP-619-4, the Bank will act as the executing agency.
- 4.4 All procurement activities to be carried out under this TC have been included in the Procurement Plan (Annex IV) and will be hired in compliance with the applicable Bank policies and regulations as follows: (i) hiring of individual consultants, as established in the regulation on Complementary Workforce (AM-650); and (ii) contracting of services provided by consulting firms in accordance with the Corporate Procurement Policy (GN-2303-33) and its guidelines. Other than the non-consulting services mentioned in the Procurement Plan, no acquisition of works or goods directly by the Bank will be financed through this TC, as provided under Annex II of document OP-619-4.

### V. Important Risks

5.1 Working with several countries¹ on specific knowledge-generation activities may result in coordination issues, which may result in a considerable delay to the TC and its objectives. To mitigate this risk, country selection will be confirmed with CSD/CCS country specialists, other relevant sector country specialists, and the Chiefs of Operations.

# VI. Exceptions to Bank policy

6.1 This operation does not entail any exceptions to the Bank's policies.

### VII. Environmental and Social Aspects

7.1 This Technical Cooperation is not intended to finance pre-feasibility or feasibility studies of specific investment projects or environmental and social studies associated with them; therefore, this TC does not have applicable requirements of the Bank's Environmental and Social Policy Framework (ESPF).

### Required Annexes

Results Matrix 85401.pdf

Terms of Reference 8013.pdf

Procurement Plan 74349.pdf

If any information is requested from a specific country, or if any work is developed or carried out in or involving a particular country, a non-objection letter from that country's liaison office with the Bank will be duly requested by the operations team.