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**IBERO-AMERICA**

# What is the Ibero-American General Secretariat?

We are an international support organization for the 22 Spanish and Portuguese-speaking countries in America and Europe that make up the Ibero-American Community: a space for convergence, consensus, work, supervision, and agreements for the region that brings together countries on both sides of the Atlantic.

We work to implement the mandates of the Ibero-American Summits of Heads of State and Government.

We drive Ibero-American Cooperation that promotes culture, knowledge, social inclusion, gender equality, the environment and entrepreneurship under an innovative, supportive, and sustainable perspective.
























We strengthen the Ibero-American Community to build a more prosperous and fair future and ensure its international reach.

Since 2022,  
the Chilean  
Andrés Allamand is the  
current Ibero-American  
General Secretary.



*"The essential thing is to advance in human rights, put people at the centre and strengthen Ibero-America as a more egalitarian, more sustainable, more inclusive and more prosperous space."*

**Andrés Allamand,**  
Ibero-American General Secretary

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- A stylized map of Ibero-America, showing the continents of North and South America in a light blue color. The map includes the main landmasses and several islands, such as the Azores, Madeira, and the Canary Islands. The map is positioned to the right of the list of countries.
-  Andorra
  -  Argentina
  -  Bolivia
  -  Brazil
  -  Chile
  -  Colombia
  -  Costa Rica
  -  Cuba
  -  Dominican Republic
  -  Ecuador
  -  El Salvador
  -  Spain
  -  Guatemala
  -  Honduras
  -  Mexico
  -  Nicaragua
  -  Panama
  -  Paraguay
  -  Peru
  -  Portugal
  -  Uruguay
  -  Venezuela

# Ibero-American Summits of Heads of State and Government

Since its inception in 1991, the **Ibero-American Summit of Heads of State and Government** emerged as a response to the political will of the 22 member countries to formalise their historic connection through dialogue, cooperation and solidarity. This meeting, held every two years, is a unique space of agreements and convergence. A series of meetings, forums and sessions take place beforehand which enable us to advance the work.

- Meetings of Ibero-American Ministers for Foreign Affairs.
- Sectorial Ministerial Meetings.
- Meetings of National Coordinators and Heads of Cooperation.
- Forums and meetings among entrepreneurs, civil society, members of parliaments, local governments.

Mandates are approved in the summits which become specific actions that benefit citizens in areas such as health, knowledge, culture, social inclusion, sustainability, entrepreneurship and innovation, among others.

The Ibero-American Community also has **Associate Observers (States)** and **Consultative Observers (International Organizations)** whose presence in the summits and in the cooperation initiatives promotes a closer link between Ibero-America and the rest of the international community and related countries.

## Associate Observers (States)

- BELGIUM
- FRANCE
- GERMANY
- HAITI
- HUNGARY
- ITALY
- JAPAN
- KOREA
- LUXEMBOURG
- MOROCCO
- NETHERLANDS
- PHILIPPINES

## Consultative Observers (International Organizations)

- CAF
- CPLP
- ECLAC
- FAO
- FLACSO
- IDB
- ILO
- IOM
- LAIA
- LU
- OECD
- OECS
- PAHO
- SELA
- UNDP
- UNEP
- UNICEF
- UN WOMEN
- WFP.

# Ibero-American Cooperation

It is the result of agreements and commitments assumed by the Heads of State in the Ibero-American Summits. It is one of the major assets of Ibero-America due to its horizontal, peer-to-peer, unconditioned, multi-level, and multi-actor modality, aligned with Agenda 2030.

Ibero-American Cooperation operates under the principles of respect, transparency, identity, equality and non-discrimination. There are **30 Programs, Initiatives and Affiliated Projects (PIPA)** that work to promote public policies and beneficial actions for citizens in the region.

To tackle the challenges of the region and comply with the Sustainable Development Goals, it is organised in four-year plans.

The current **III Ibero-American Cooperation Quadrennial Action Plan 2023-2026** responds to eight thematic axes and incorporates five cross-cutting approaches.

## 8 Strategic axes

## 5 Cross-Cutting approaches



# III Ibero-American Cooperation Quadrennial Action Plan 2023-2026



## We also promote...



### Ibero-American Charter of Principles and Rights in Digital Environments

This puts people at the centre of inclusive digital transformation and addresses existing gaps in this area. Furthermore, it establishes guidelines for creating public policies that promote a people-focussed digital transformation and more inclusive, fair and safe societies.



### Ibero-American Environmental Charter

This reflects the common vision of the Ibero-American Community in the face of challenges such as climate change, loss of biodiversity and contamination, and establishes commitments to guide public policies and legislation on these matters.



### Critical Route to Achieving Inclusive and Sustainable Food Security in Ibero-America

This proposes improvements for family agriculture, expanding access to greater financing to transform agri-food systems and strengthening rural digital infrastructure.



### Statement on International Financial Architecture

This proposes advancing towards a more fair, inclusive and flexible international financial system that helps the region in the processes of post-pandemic recovery, energy transition, climate adaptation and the fight against inequality.

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