II MEETING OF NORDIC STAKEHOLDERS
RELAUNCHING THE COOPERATION
BETWEEN
NORDIC-LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES
Stockholm
13–14 November 2017

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Background

The conclusions of the I Meeting of Nordic Stakeholders: Nordic Perspectives on Strengthening Higher Education, Research and Innovation Cooperation with Latin America & the Caribbean, held in Stockholm on 1-2 June 2016, emphasized the need to promote and to deepen activities in higher education and scientific cooperation between the Nordic and the LAC regions.

On the one hand, the Nordic countries are perceived as democratic, innovative and with high investments levels in education and research have allowed them to successfully position as technological hubs of international prestige. These countries have a platform of higher education, science, technology and innovation that has seen many of today’s most successful start-ups emerge and turn into/become success stories.

On the other hand, during the last decades Latin America and Caribbean countries have achieved sustained economic growth, which has reduced poverty and increased development. This new reality includes an improvement in higher education with quality and international academic excellence. To achieve these objectives, several governments in LAC region have created scholarship programs that foster studies and research stays abroad, with focus in the best universities and research centers and institutes around the world.

At the same time, the Nordic triangular approach of the ‘triple helix of innovation’ also provides mutual opportunities for cooperation, where Nordic companies may have access medium-high income markets through technological and skill transfers in the establishment of industrial activities. In this sense, Latin America and Caribbean is a region of opportunities.

Latin American and Caribbean governments have identified higher education, science, technology and innovation as the main areas to generate growth, prosperity and sustainable development with social inclusion.

Within this context, the Nordic countries’ experiences in these areas would offer a good opportunity to relaunch the relation between Nordic countries & Latin American and Caribbean countries.

For this reason, the European Institute of International Studies, in collaboration with the Swedish Council for Higher Education and the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden, is organizing the II Meeting of Nordic Stakeholders: Relaunching the cooperation between Nordic-Latin American and Caribbean Countries. The II Meeting will take place in Stockholm on 13-14 November 2017.

Aims:

The specific aims of this meeting of Nordic Stakeholders are the following:
- To relaunch the relations between Nordic countries-Latin American and Caribbean countries with focus in areas such as higher education, sciences, technology and innovation
- To promote the Nordic countries as "destination countries" for studies and research stays at international level
- To exchange experiences in policies and best practices in the areas of higher education, science, technology and innovation
- To foster cooperation and academic mobility between Nordic countries-Latin American and Caribbean countries
- To encourage the development of academic programs and joint research projects between Nordic Countries-Latin American and Caribbean countries
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

DAY 1
Monday, November 13th
UHR premises - Wallingatan 2, Stockholm - Sweden

09.00-10.00 Welcome words and aims of the II Nordic Meeting

Representative EIIS
Representative Ministry for Foreign Affairs
Representative UHR
Representative Nordic Council of Ministers

10.00-11.00 Session I: Latin American and Caribbean Scholarship Programs for Academic Mobility and Research Exchange

Representative Embassy of Argentina
Representative Embassy of the Dominican Republic
Representative Embassy of Ecuador
Representative Embassy of El Salvador
Q&A

11.00-11.15 Coffee break

11.15-12.30 Session I: Latin American and Caribbean Scholarship Programs for Academic Mobility and Research Exchange

Representative Embassy of Guatemala
Representative Embassy of Mexico
Representative Embassy of Paraguay
Representative Embassy of Peru
Q&A

12.30-14.00 Lunch break

14.00-15.00 Session II: Nordic Programs for Academic Mobility and Research Exchange

Denmark:
Ministry of Higher Education and Science
Danish Agency for Science and Higher Education
Danish Council for Independent Research
Danish Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation
Q&A

15.00-16.00 Finland:
Ministry Education, Science and Culture
TEKES
Representative Finnish National Agency for Education EDUFI
Q&A

16.00-16.15 Coffee break
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<td>17.00-18.00</td>
<td><strong>Sweden:</strong>&lt;br&gt;Representative Swedish Research Council&lt;br&gt;Representative Swedish Institute&lt;br&gt;Representative STINT&lt;br&gt;Representative VINNOVA&lt;br&gt;Q&amp;A</td>
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<td>19.00-21.00</td>
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### Day 2

**Tuesday, November 14th**

**UHR premises - Wallingatan 2, Stockholm - Sweden**

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<td>09:00-10.45</td>
<td><strong>Cooperation Experiences: Nordic Countries-Latin American and Caribbean Countries</strong>&lt;br&gt;Copenhagen Business School-Latin America Business Forum&lt;br&gt;FinCEAL&lt;br&gt;Lund University&lt;br&gt;Uppsala University&lt;br&gt;Bergen University&lt;br&gt;Reykjavik University&lt;br&gt;European Institute of International Studies-IBERO-EURO-AMERICA Consortium&lt;br&gt;Q&amp;A</td>
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<td>10.45-11.00</td>
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<td><strong>Round table: Themes and actions for a common agenda for cooperation between Nordic countries &amp; Latin American and Caribbean countries</strong>&lt;br&gt;Debate between Latin American and Caribbean delegations and Nordic delegations</td>
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<td><strong>Conclusions and Final Session</strong></td>
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