

PUBLIC CONSULTATION PLAN FOR THE REVIEW OF THE NEED FOR A GENERAL CAPITAL INCREASE (GCI)

Introduction

On March 30, 2009, the IDB Board of Governors authorized the immediate initiation of a review of the need for a Capital Increase of the Ordinary Capital and replenishment of the Fund for Special Operations. As part of this review Management will commence a public consultation process with respect to the review of the need for a General Capital Increase (GCI).

The public consultation process is intended to support the review of the GCI process and provide Management and the Board with additional input for their consideration during this review.

The public consultation is focused on the working paper CA-501 "Review of the need for a General Capital Increase of the Ordinary Capital and Replenishment of the Fund for Special Operations: Progress and next steps" which will be publicly disclosed in the external website created for the GCI and for the GCI public consultation, immediately following approval of this proposal.

Objective

The general objective of the public consultation process is to enhance the General Capital Increase (GCI) of the Ordinary Capital and replenishment of the Fund for Special Operations process by reaching relevant stakeholders to inform them and obtain comments about three key issues I: (i) priorities of the Bank; (ii) the institution's comparative advantages; and (iii) areas for improvement.

Methodology

The public consultation is an inclusive process that comprises two methods for gathering input from the public and, in particular, relevant stakeholders. These two methods for promoting participation are:

- a) Open and inclusive: The Bank is open to receive comments and inputs from the public at large, including different organizations, stakeholders and other actors that, based on their knowledge of Bank's activities, want to express their opinions (i.e. GCI-9 website with a platform to provide comments, via a survey)
- b) Focalized: More specifically, the Bank solicits and asks for inputs from identified stakeholders and relevant groups of interest for the Bank (i.e. faceto-face meetings and videoconferences)

The public consultation will comprise two phases. The first phase is a preparatory stage, aimed at laying the groundwork for the consultation itself by publicly disclosing a select set of documents --and at the same time reaching out to potential actors to invite their participation. The second phase is the consultation process itself, which should last no fewer than 90 days and will be comprised of on-line consultation as well as face-to-face and videoconference sessions.

The Board will be kept informed of the progress of the consultation process.

Phase I: Information

The documents regarding the review of the need for a GCI that will be disclosed, after the Board's approval of this proposal, are:

- *First Working Paper*, "Review of the need for a General Capital Increase of the Ordinary Capital and Replenishment of the Fund for Special Operations: Progress and next steps", document CA-501
- *Final version -when available- of the Kuczynski Commision report*, draft title "El Futuro del Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo y su Suficiencia de Capital en el Contexto de la Crisis Económica Mundial y su Impacto en América Latina y el Caribe"
- Resolution AG-6/09, "Status of Bank Resources," adopted March 30, 2009
- Agenda of the Ninety-seventh Meeting of the Committee of the Board of Governors, document CA-500-3

If during the course of the review of the need for a GCI additional working papers are produced, these will be disclosed and included as part of the overall consultation process, only after Board given its authorization for such disclosure.

A variety of tools will be used in order to promote the scope of the participation. For example, a web story will be posted on the home page of the IDB website; and the GCI public consultation process will be highlighted in the country pages of the external IDB website; among other initiatives.

The consultation process will be open to all interested parties. Actors that are in the IDB's databases and other potentially interested parties will receive a survey to collect their input regarding: (i) priorities of the Bank; (ii) the institution's comparative advantages; and (iii) areas for improvement.

A meeting, either in person or by videoconference, will be held with Country Offices Representatives to discuss and analyze the review of the need for a GCI, to identify the relevant stakeholders at country level that will participate in the meetings, and to develop key messages for the consultation process.

Phase II: Consultation

The consultation process will be led by the Offices of Strategic Planning and Development Effectiveness and External Relations. There will be close coordination with the Vice Presidency for Countries and the Country Offices, which will help identify the countries where face-to-face consultations will take place. The country offices also will help manage the logistics of these meetings, as well as suggesting which stakeholders should be invited to these face-to-face meetings and video conference sessions.

During the 90 days of the consultation, a website will be available for the public at large, to provide comments on-line on the disclosed documents related to the review of the need for a GCI.

A GCI-related consultation session will be held during the IX Annual Meeting IDB-Civil Society in Guadalajara, November 2009.

The following table summarizes the specific objectives, activities and indicators for each of the two phases:

		Phase I: Information	Phase II: Consultation
1.	Objective	Inform public about the CGI process, main documentation available and the consultation process.	Conduct a participatory, inclusive and informed consultation process.
2.	Duration	30 days (after Board approval)	90 days (after conclusion of Phase I)
3.	Type of Engagement	Virtual and face to face	Virtual (on-line reception of comments and video conferences) and face to face
4.	Activities	 Create the GCI 9 and GCI consultation pages in the IDB website (public consultation of the Civil Society website.) Publish relevant information regarding the GCI process. Announce the GCI consultation in the IDB website, using the home page, civil society page and other pages. Produce an easily-downloadable video message inviting comments. Invite the nine civil society organizations to present and discuss the Concept Notes they submitted to the Bank's management on June 25¹ Design and conduct a survey with key groups of stakeholders 	 Launch on-line reception of comments and suggestions. Publish meetings calendar. Conduct structured face-to-face public consultation meetings in at least five countries of the region. COF should evaluate hiring facilitators if needed. Conduct meetings via video conference in the rest of the COF. Develop a process for responding to questions that may arise (Q&A or FAQ site) Consultation session at the IX Annual Meeting IDB-Civil Society to be held in Guadalajara, November 2009.

¹ Concept note that includes two recommendations: (i) Managing for Development for Results; and (ii) IDB and Sustainability: Climate-Energy-Forestry

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		regarding topics of interest for the GCI process (i.e. priorities, comparative advantage, areas of improvement, among others) 7. Hold informational briefings with US- and other non-regional based civil society organizations. 8. Send e-mail for comments to civil society database. 9. In consultation with COFs, develop list of potential attendees to meetings and send invitations. 10. Informational debriefing with COF Representatives, SPD and EXR prior consultation sessions in the region.	
5.	Indicators	 Number of visitors to web page. Number of participants in informational video conferences. 	 Number of participants in face to face consultations. Number of participants in video conferences. Number of comments received online. Additional feedback received regarding the consultation process.

Next steps

Following the close of the public consultation process, a summary of the comments received will be made available on the IDB website prior to submission to the Board and closing of the review of the need for a GCI.

At the end of the review of the need for a GCI, a Report will be available with the summary of the civil society comments and inputs gathered during the overall consultation process.