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COMPANY LOGO	
COMPANY NAME	INTERNET SOCIETY
DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY	<p>Founded in 1992 by the Internet pioneers, the Internet Society is a non-profit global cause-driven organization committed to making the Internet available to everyone everywhere and to advance an Internet that is open, globally-connected, secure, and trustworthy. The Internet Society is also the organizational home of the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF). With its principled vision, substantial technological foundation, and its global presence, the Internet Society promotes open dialogue on Internet policy, technology, and future development among users, companies, governments, and other organizations. Working with more than 105,000 individual members, 160 organizational members, 130 chapters and special interest groups worldwide, together we are dedicated to ensuring the open development, evolution and use of the Internet.</p>
IMPORTANCE OF INTERNET SOCIETY IN THE REGION	<p>Our vision is that the Americas becomes a fully connected region, including the less developed countries in the region, with a more knowledgeable and organized Internet community stewarding growth. We recognize, however, that the needs across the region are so broad and so different that a single government, organization, or company cannot address them all. Where gaps exist between governments and civil society, academia, and enterprise, Internet Society serves as a trusted voice to build bridges and move issues of access and security into the public dialogue. We have regional offices based in Montevideo, Uruguay (Latin America and the Caribbean Bureau) and in Reston, US (North America Bureau and ISOC headquarters). Both bureaus work diligently to achieve this vision through the following programmes and activities: •Access, focusing on community networks for rural, remote and underserved areas •Technical Outreach •Capacity Building and Leadership through e-learning and targeted information-sharing activities •Policy Engagement with key decision-makers.</p>
WHY DOES INTERNET SOCIETY CONSIDER IMPORTANT TO WORK TOGETHER IN THE OBJECTIVES OF THE 2030 ICT ALLIANCE?	<p>Internet Society recognizes that it is essential to address the digital divide that implies multiple factors such as Internet affordability, low population density, geography, lack of infrastructure, lack of digital skills and/or lack of locally relevant content not only deprives a generation of the opportunity to improve their quality of life but also undermines the achievement of the SDGs. Therefore, connecting the unconnected is critical to achieving many of the goals set in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Therefore, we are committed in working together into this Alliance/Partnership to support the member States of the Organization of American States in their path of integrating ICT into national policies within the framework of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which recognizes the great potential of global connectivity to accelerate human progress, reduce digital gaps, and develop knowledge societies.</p>
INITIATIVES FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF THE ICT, WHICH ARE ALLIGNED WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF	<p>According to Internet Society's 2018 Action Plan, all initiatives will be driven to advance a set of focused priorities: A. Securing the Internet of Things; B. Strengthening the global routing system; C. Innovating to connect the world; D. Promoting collaborative governance.</p>
COMMITEMENTS OF THE ALLIANCE OAS-INTERNET SOCIETY	<p>Commitment 1: Deployment of community networks in rural, remote and underserved areas, by 2020 having at least 12 active community networks running in the region.</p> <p>Commitment 2: Capacity building for technical operations of community networks at local communities, by 2020 having trained more than 150 people in the region in our elearning courses, in particular about Introduction to Network Operations and Wireless Networking In The Developing World (WNDW).</p> <p>Commitment 3: Strengthen the adoption of multistakeholder processes to overcome the Internet access challenges in the Americas, by 2020 having at least 3 countries in the region adopting policies for an enabling environment to provide Internet access through community-based networks, including innovative licensing and access to spectrum.</p> <p>Commitment 4: Raising awareness and sharing best practices, by 2020 holding an event in the region to create a knowledge commons that builds capacity for implementing the conditions necessary to implement community networks.</p>