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connecting
institutions,
working for
social cohesion

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EUROsocial 
PROGRAMME FOR SOCIAL COHESION IN LATIN AMERICA

WHAT IS EUROsociAL?

EUROsociAL is the European Union's regional technical co-operation programme to promote social cohesion in Latin America, supporting national public policies aimed at improving levels of social cohesion and strengthening the institutions that implement such policies.

It was created within the framework of the 2004 Guadalajara summit, at which the Heads of State and Government of Latin America and the European Union reiterated "the primary responsibility of our Governments, together with their civil societies, to lead processes and reforms aimed at boosting social cohesion, through the fight against poverty, inequality and social exclusion" (Guadalajara Declaration).

The first phase of the Programme (2005-2010) achieved significant progress with regard to the implementation of sectorial policies geared towards enhancing social cohesion, thereby placing this item on the public agenda. It also demonstrated the importance of the exchange of experiences, knowledge, etc. between "counterpart" institutions as a tool of institutional co-operation.

At the Madrid summit (2010), the European Union and Latin American Member States once again committed themselves to social cohesion, approving the launch of the second phase of the programme, which commenced in 2011. With a budget of €40 million, the programme is managed by a consortium which groups together more than 80 public institutions.

WHO ARE WE?

EUROsociAL was awarded to a consortium led by the International and Ibero-American Foundation for Administration and Public Policies (FIIAPP), formed by seven co-ordinating partners, comprising a group of institutions with different roles in the Programme.

The most important group is represented by the Latin American institutions. Responsible for the reform policies and processes in their respective countries, they exchange practice, as well as their learning, knowledge and expertise, thereby exemplifying the principles of EUROsociAL. Through the Programme, 19 Latin American countries are creating a space for policy discussion by sharing both Latin American and European experiences in similar processes which help advance the preparation and implementation of public policies with an impact on social cohesion.

These institutions participate in projects, which are driven and managed by the Operating Partners, who source the necessary expertise. They have a national and international mandate in both regions, and are offering their management capacity and industry specialisation for the benefit of the Programme.

These actions and activities are led by the Programming and Co-ordination Committee comprising Coordinating Partners, who incorporate strategic guidance from the Orientation Committee, a consultation body presided by the European Commission.

However, all the institutions referred to participate to a certain extent in the full cycle of the programme, both in the design and in the preparation or delivery of the actions, which are identified and implemented in line with the priorities of the Programme's recipient Latin American institutions.

EUROsocial facilitates the exchange between counterpart institutions in Europe and Latin America in order to support public or institutional policy changes that improve the cohesion of our societies.

WHAT DOES EUROsocial ASPIRE TO?

To contribute to the design, reform and implementation of public policies in Latin America which have an impact on social cohesion.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

As a facilitator, by providing relevant knowledge of similar experiences in other Latin American and European countries and placing this at the disposal of the institutions involved in these projects, as a way of introducing potentially innovative elements to these reforms.

WHAT TOOLS DOES IT USE?

Through collaboration between partners and sharing best practice with public institutions in Latin America and Europe: missions, specialised advisory services, analytical work, meetings and seminars, workshops, training courses, exchange visits and internships.

SOCIAL POLICIES

- HE** HEALTH
 - 1. Improving equity in health systems.
- ED** EDUCATION
 - 1. Improvement in educational provision.
- SP** SOCIAL PROTECTION
 - 1. Strengthening and expansion of comprehensive social protection systems.
- EP** EMPLOYMENT POLICIES
 - 1. Active labour market policies.
 - 2. National professional qualifications systems.

PUBLIC FINANCE

- PF** PUBLIC FINANCE
 - 1. Inclusive and sustainable tax systems.

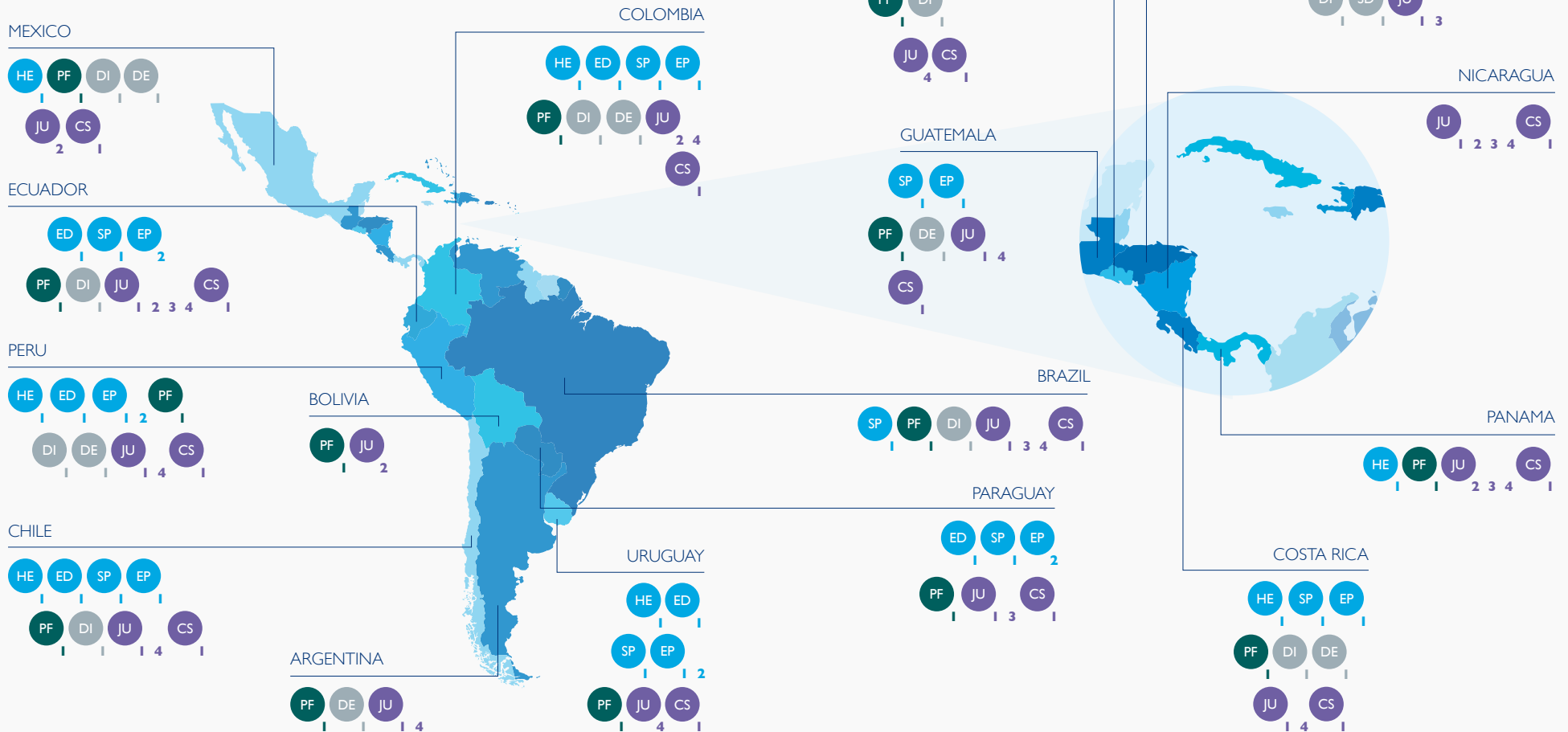
DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE

- DI** DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONALISM
 - 1. Transparency and anti-corruption.
- SD** SOCIAL DIALOGUE
 - 1. Strengthening economic and social councils.
- DE** DECENTRALIZATION
 - 1. Regional development and territorial cohesion

JUSTICE AND CITIZEN SECURITY

- JU** JUSTICE
 - 1. Access to justice for the most vulnerable.
 - 2. Alternative mechanisms for conflict resolution
 - 3. Assistance to victims of gender violence.
 - 4. Return to employment of former inmates.
- CS** CITIZEN SECURITY
 - 1. Violence prevention.

COUNTRIES AND THEMATIC AREAS



COORDINATING PARTNERS

- **EF** (France) Expertise France
- **FIAPP** (Spain) Fundación Internacional y para Iberoamérica de Administración y Políticas Públicas
- **IILA** (Italy) Instituto Italo-Latino Americano

OPERATIVE PARTNERS INVOLVED

- **AEAT** (España) Agencia Estatal de Administración Tributaria
- **ASIP** Asociación Internacional de Presupuesto Público
- **CEDDET** (España) Fundación Centro de Educación a Distancia para el Desarrollo Económico y Tecnológico
- **CES** (España) Consejo Económico y Social
- **CGPJ** (España) Consejo General del Poder Judicial
- **CIAT** Centro Interamericano de Administraciones Tributarias
- **CIEP** (Francia) Centre international d'études pédagogiques
- **CIPPEC** (Argentina) Centro de Implementación de Políticas Públicas para la Equidad y el Crecimiento
- **CISP** (Italia) Comitato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo dei Popoli
- **COMJIB** Conferencia de Ministros de Justicia de los Países Iberoamericanos
- **EFUS** European Forum for Urban Security
- **ENSP/Fiocruz** (Brasil) Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública/Fundação Oswaldo Cruz
- **ESAF** (Brasil) Escola de Administração Fazendária

TRANSVERSAL COORDINATING PARTNERS

- APC-Colombia** Agencia Presidencial de Cooperación Internacional de Colombia
- ENAP** (Brasil) Escola Nacional de Administração Pública
- GIZ** (Germany) Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
- SICA** (Central America) Sistema de la Integración Centroamericana

- **EF** (France) Expertise France
- **FCGAE** (España) Fundación del Consejo General de la Abogacía Española
- **FCSAI** (España) Fundación Española para la Cooperación Internacional, Salud y Política Social
- **FORMEZ** (Italia) Formez Pubblica Amministrazione
- **IDLO** International Development Law Organization
- **IEF** (España) Instituto de Estudios Fiscales
- **ISS** (Italia) Istituto Superiore di Sanità
- **ITALIA LAVORO** (Italia) Italia Lavoro Società per Azioni
- **JCI** (Francia) Justice Coopération Internationale
- **LPS** (Italia) Ministero del Lavoro e delle Politiche Sociali
- **Ministerio de Hacienda** (El Salvador)
- **Ministero della Salute** (Italia)
- **OEI** Organización de Estados Iberoamericanos
- **OIJ** Observatorio Internacional de Justicia Juvenil
- **OISS** Organización Iberoamericana de Seguridad Social
- **OPP** (Uruguay) Oficina de Planeamiento y Presupuesto
- **SNV** (Holanda) Netherlands Development Organisation

RESULTS FOCUSED

It is a management strategy focused on achieving significant and sustainable improvements in the processes of public policy reform. EUROsociAL supports policy reform processes whose main drivers are the political, social and economic actors in Latin American countries.

KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT: SHARING EUROsociAL

The knowledge generated and shared in the context of experience exchanges is one of the main assets of EUROsociAL. The knowledge management system is responsible for systematically documenting both the results obtained from the activities, as well as the processes used to achieve them, and it is updated with input from all stakeholders in the programme. This participatory and dynamic feedback facilitates collective learning about social cohesion and is considered a reference on policy reform and on institutions for social cohesion.

One of the functions of knowledge management is to enable support networks and platforms in order to access information, which in the case of EUROsociAL revolve around the website www.eurosocial-ii.eu:

1. EUROsociAL's Information System
2. Documentation Centre and Library
3. Multimedia Archive
4. Social Networks





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Social cohesion is one of the strategic priorities of the partnership between the European Union and Latin America and the Caribbean, originating from the bioregional Summits and highlighted from the Declaration of Guadalajara in 2004 to the latest of Brussels in 2015. EUROsocial aims to consolidate a space for European and Latin American dialogue on public policies around social cohesion.



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With the participation of more than 80 Operating Partners and Collaborators from Europe and Latin America.

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