**EFFECTIVE DEMOCRACIES IN THE 21ST CENTURY CONCEPT *PORTFOLIO ELEMENTS***

**Latin America Program Presidential Portfolio Review**

**May 12, 2016**

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| **Diversify and Increase the Regional Debate on the Evolution of Democracy to Respond to 21st Century Societies** | | | | | | | |
| ***Consultancies and Convening*** | | | | | | | |
| Ford Foundation, Fundación Avina & REOS Partners | | Transformative Scenario Building Process | Alerta Democratica | Led by OSF, the Avina and Ford Foundations collaborated with Reos Partners Brazil to develop a set of scenarios for the future of democracy in Latin America. More information can be found [here](http://www.alertademocratica.org/es.). | $512,438 | 1 July 2014 – 1 December 2015 | Regional |
| Instituto Arapyaú, Cause & Gestao de Interesse Publico | | Targeted Research: Tools for Reformers and Activists | Democratic Innovation | LAP partnered with Brazilian private donors to map the field in Brazil and expand the number of philanthropists and foundations interested in the field of democratic practice and innovation. | $10,000 | 1 April 2015-Ongoing | Brazil |
| ***Grants*** | | | | | | | |
| Fundação Instituto Fernando Henrique Cardoso | Targeted Research: Tools for Reformers and Activists | | The Changing Structure of the Public Sphere & the Challenges to Civil Society in Latin America | To analyze lessons learned from experiences of cyber activism in order to promote a public debate on the challenges posed by the increasing role of internet and social media in shaping the public sphere, citizen participation, political institutions, and democratic governance in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela. | $111,220 | 1 June 2015 - 31 May 2016 | Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela |
| Governing Council of the University of Toronto | Targeted Research: Tools for Reformers and Activists | | Commission for Democracy in LA- First Phase | To support a broader discussion on how the region’s premier experts on democracy can better address Latin America’s democratic challenges and reinforce its capacity for innovation in the 21st Century. | $45,980 | 1 January 2015 - 31 January 2015 | Regional |
| Instituto Sincronicidade Para a Interação Social | Targeted Research: Tools for Reformers and Activists | | Update Politics | To conduct a mapping process to understand the Brazilian ecosystem of political hackers, an initiative to create a space for recognition and reflection of emerging political practices, where political activists and researchers can reflect on their field of work and identify strategies, solutions and partnerships to further their objectives. | $ 25,000 | 1 January 2016 - 31 December 2016 | Regional |
| openDemocracy | Media Platform | | Democracia Abierta | Seed funding with OSIFE for the launch of Democracia Abierta, a media platform which seeks to share ideas and experiences that develop in Latin America and strengthen the ecosystem of independent media working for public interest. Focus on Mexico, Brazil, Colombia and Argentina, and linking that work to debates in Spain, Portugal and Southern Europe. | $25,000 | 1 March 2015 - 29 February 2016 | Regional |
| WZB Berlin Social Science Center | Targeted Research: Tools for Reformers and Activists | | LATINNO – Dataset on Democratic Innovations in Latin America | To advance knowledge about democratic innovation (during the last 25 years), focused on non-electoral means of citizen participation in Latin America. WZB seeks to develop a public source (dataset) of information outlining a variety of characteristics for each innovative practice or project. | $106,960 | 1 December 2015 – 30 November 2016 | Regional |

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| **Support Experimentation that uses Technology to Engage Citizens in Policy-making and Debate Institutional Reform** | | | | | | | | | |
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| Support to Reformers in Mexico, Chile, Brazil & Argentina | Direct Assistance to Reformers in Government | | Providing Information and Networking Opportunities | | | LAP has responded to requests from Chile’s *Unidad de Modernización y Gobierno Digital del Ministerio Secretaría General de la Presidencia*, Mexico’s *Departmento de Innovación Cívica de la Presidencia de la República***,** the *Subsecretaría de Reforma Institucional y Fortalecimiento de la Democracia en el Ministerio del Interior* of Argentina**,** theGovernor of the Brazilian State of Maranhão, and the Brazilian National Development Bank. To all of them we have provided information and networking opportunities. In some cases we have sponsored and organized workshops, seminars and exchanges between reformers and civil society activists. For example, we have often invited Instituto Tecnologia e Sociedade (ITS)to share its experience and lessons learned with [crowdsourcing Brazil’s Marco Civil legislation](http://foreignpolicy.com/2016/01/19/how-brazil-crowdsourced-a-landmark-law/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Democracy%20Lab%20Weekly%20Brief%2C%20January%2025%2C%202016&utm_term=%2ADemocracy%20Lab), which is credited with formalizing online participation in policy development via government websites like the executive branch’s [Dialoga Brasil](http://dialoga.gov.br/) website and congress’s [Portal e-Democracia](http://edemocracia.camara.gov.br/). | $60,000 | December 2014-Ongoing | Regional |
| ***Grants*** | | | | | | | | | |
| Actantes – Acao direta pela Liberdade, Privacidade e Diversidade na rede | | Provide Assistance to a New Generation of Civil Society Activists | | Actantes Core Support 2016 | To support the Grantee's 2016 strategy. While the organization will continue promoting the use of technology — such as cryptography and other digital security tools — by activists, not only as a form of protection on one’s agency and freedom of speech, it will also use it as a way to defend privacy and freedom of expression in the digital public sphere. | | $60,000 | 1 January 2016 – 31 December 2016 | Brazil |
| Associacao Caminho das Artes | | Provide Assistance to a New Generation of Civil Society Activists | | Mídía Ninja - The Collective Eye to Reduce Police Violence | To strengthen an independent media structure in Brazil that will report, promote discussion and inhibit violent police practices against public demonstrators. | | $80,000 | 1 August 2015 – 1 August 2016 | Brazil |
| Asuntos del Sur | | Provide Assistance to a New Generation of Civil Society Activists | | Latin America Political Innovation Network | To develop spaces for exchanges among actors thinking about and working on democratic practice and political innovation especially those developing ways to penetrate the formal political system, reform institutions and change democratic culture and practice. (Project in partnership with Democracia en Red). | | $50,000 | 1 November 2015 – 31 October 2016 | Regional |
| Casa Fluminense | | General Support to Multi-Sectoral Sub-National Level Activists | | Basic Project 2015-2016 | To strengthen civil society capacities to engage with government policy makers and to present shared proposals for a more equal, democratic and sustainable Rio de Janeiro metropolitan area. | | $ 200,139 | 1 May 2015 – 30 April 2017 | Brazil |

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| Consejo Cívico\*\* | General Support to Multi-Sectoral Sub-National Level Activists | Cómo Vamos, Nuevo León | Grant to monitor municipal and state government actions on indicators around citizen security, transparency and accountability, and opening public spaces to discuss institutional reforms and set specific goals for the state level and 9 municipalities in Nuevo Leon. | Consejo Cívico\*\* | General Support to Multi-Sectoral Sub-National Level Activists | Cómo Vamos, Nuevo León |
| Democracia en Red | Provide Assistance to a New Generation of Civil Society Activists | Latin America Political Innovation Network | See above entry for Asuntos del Sur. | $49,600 | 1 November 2015 – 31 October 2016 | Regional |
| Fundacion Hormigas Argentinas | Provide Assistance to a New Generation of Civil Society Activists | Global Democracy Network | To create a network of actors in Latin America who are experimenting with new methods of citizen participation and digital tools to improve democracy and the construction of politics in the digital age. | $71,000 | 1 May 2014 – 30 June 2015 | Regional |
| Instituto Seva\*\* | Provide Assistance to a New Generation of Civil Society Activists | Open Innovation Challenge for the Development Agenda in Sao Paulo | To engage digital civil society in the creation and monitoring of a development agenda via indicators and targets in Sao Paulo, Brazil on topics related to Goal 16 of the Post-2015 Sustainable Development Agenda on governance, justice, and peace and security. | $79,996 | 1 January 2015 – 31 March 2016 | Brazil |
| Instituto Tecnologia e Sociedade (ITS) | Provide Assistance to a New Generation of Civil Society Activists | General Support | Together with the Information Program encourage Brazil’s government to respond to opportunities provided by technology and promote its benefits equal across society. Analyze legal, social, economic and cultural dimensions of technology and advocate for public policies which protect privacy, freedom of expression and access to knowledge. Offer training to individuals and institutions to enable them to understand the opportunities of technology for advocacy. | $200,000 | 1 August 2015 - 31 July 2017 | Brazil |
| Transição.br | To design and implement <https://www.mudamos.org/>, an online platform for collecting broad citizen engagement on topics of public interest, such as security laws and political and institutional reform in Brazil, and helping to construct democratic solutions. Create an informed debate on these issues with the participation of various sectors of society. | $150,000 | 1 October 2014-31 January 2016 | Brazil |
| Organization of American States (OAS)\* | Provide Assistance to a New Generation of Civil Society Activists | Empowering Agents of Change - The OAS Fellowship on Open Government in the Americas | To support to the new OAS School of Governance with the open government fellowship program comprised of 25 young innovators from diverse sectors. | $ 150,000 | 1 January 2016 – 31 December 2016 | Regional |

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| Rede Nossa São Paulo\*\* | General Support to Multi-Sectoral Sub-National Level Activists | General Support/ Project on Post-2015 Indicators | To develop and measure indicators related to governance, justice and safety in 60 Brazilian municipalities tied to the process of discussions and negotiations regarding the post-2015 SDG agenda in Brazil. Rede Nossa Sao Paulo also advocated for reforms to democratic institutions and practices at Brazil’s municipal-level. | $400,000 | 1 November 2015 – 31 October 2016 | Brazil |
| General Support to Multi-Sectoral Sub-National Level Activists | Participatory Democracy for Sustainable Cities | To strengthen a multi-stakeholder process to monitor government actions on 145 indicators around citizen security, transparency and accountability, and opening public spaces to discuss institutional reforms and set specific goals in 96 districts of Sao Paulo. | $ 100,000 | 1 April 2014 – 31 March 2015 | Brazil |
| Trust for the Americas/ Organization of American States (OAS)\* | Direct Assistance to Reformers in Government | Democratic Innovation in the 21st Century | To hire a consultant to provide strategic advice, analysis and recommendations to Secretary General Almagro and leadership on how the OAS and its member states can promote democratic reforms and practices that respond to the realities, expectations and needs of 21st century societies. | $94,960 | 1 January 2015 – 31 December 2016 | Regional |

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\*General reserve fund request: RF143

\*\* A percentage came from Shared framework reserve fund request: RF71