



Organisation Description

Future Internet Latinoamérica

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Future Internet must be approached from a holistic perspective, i.e. through total integration of the different parts that is composed of. Thus, it is needed to encourage, promote, sponsor and consolidate a number of initiatives, alliances, plans, programs, projects and activities to cope with the complexity of transforming today's Internet towards the establishment of a Future Internet that meets not only the opportunities but also the challenges that require its development.

In Latin America, the optimum scenario is that all activities with common interest for the region are coordinated and led by a single Organisation. Its structural and independent organisation character and its coverage across the region will allow to the region to approach the development and implementation of Future Internet from a holistic perspective.

That organisation is Future Internet Latinoamérica and it was created as the initiative to coordinate and lead the different activities towards a harmonised Future Internet in Latin American and the Caribbean.

As an independent and industry oriented Organisation, our activities will impact transversally to all economic sectors in this region creating new business opportunities to improve competitiveness, technological readiness and development throughout Latin America.

The following sections present a brief summary of Future Internet Latinoamérica, its strategic vision, structure, working groups and lines of actions in the Future Internet domain.

About Us

Future Internet Latinoamérica (hereafter “**FI-LATAM**”) is the initiative organized and established to coordinate and lead the different activities, opportunities and challenges that will require the development and implementation of the Future Internet in Latin America and the Caribbean.

We coordinate and lead the different activities towards a harmonised approach to the Future Internet in Latin America.



Source: FI-LATAM

This Organisation is characterised for,

- Being the latest generation and an unprecedented Organisation in Latin America to face the future of Internet in the region;
- Having a permanent and global presence for its members by means of interactive tools;
- Being a catalyst for the use and knowledge of "state of the art" technologies, services and applications.
- Being an independent Organisation, industry oriented with regional coverage reaching Latin America and the Caribbean.
- Being a multi-sector Organisation that impacts transversely all economy sectors of this region.

Our Goals

We have included among our objectives the call for countries and international intergovernmental organizations, regional bodies, institutions and, in general, public and

private companies from different sectors of the economy in Latin America and the Caribbean to face, in a harmonious way, the development of Future Internet in the region in order to:

- strengthen productive and economic integration of the region;
- promote competitiveness of companies and administrations in the field of Future Internet;
- create new economic and trade opportunities with partners from other regions;
- promote innovation and improving competitiveness and technological development of the region and its countries;
- provide tangible benefits for society and the region;
- disseminate information and knowledge on trends regarding policies, regulations, technology and socio-economic aspects of the Internet of the Future;
- meet the challenges demanded by Future Internet.

Mission

Our mission is to promote, sponsor, consolidate, coordinate and lead action plans, programs, projects, activities and fora to address the challenges and opportunities for Latin America and the Caribbean in the development and implementation of the Future Internet as well as serve as a regional channel of all these efforts in order that the region becomes a key player in the design and development of the Future Internet.

Vision

Be part of the future.

Scope of our activities

The collaboration and participation activities of FI-LATAM are developed throughout Latin America and the Caribbean and across all sectors of the economy with the following purposes:

- Consolidate FI-LATAM as the Latin American Initiative to coordinate and lead the activities, opportunities and challenges for the development and implementation of Future Internet in this region;

- Encourage the creation of action plans, programs, projects and activities in Latin America towards the development of Future Internet, in order to increase the competitiveness of the region in the global market;
- Disclose, disseminate and promote the various activities, plans, programs and projects by FI-LATAM to convene the main actors in the economic sectors in this region as well as regional and international organisations to join and actively participate in this initiative;
- Provide support to governments of the different countries in the region to provide coordination and strengthening of national efforts related to Future Internet;
- Optimize resources to join forces in developing plans, programs, projects, activities and actions ordered, and sustainable, to strengthen the competitiveness of governments and businesses from different economic sectors and create new opportunities in terms of productive development and socio-economic integration, as a result of the development of Future Internet in Latin America;
- Encourage, promote and strengthen activities aimed at the identification, assessment of regional policies and best practices for the development of Future Internet in Latin America;
- Provide access and exchange of information, documentation and content of legal, regulatory, economic and technological issues related to the development of Future Internet, as well as to support studies, programs and projects developed at the regional level and/or in the countries of the region;
- Organize efforts to hold events, seminars, conferences, summits and workshops on topics related to Future Internet, at regional and international level and in each of the Latin American countries;
- Encourage the exchange of experiences and knowledge for the development of expertise, "know-how", skills and management techniques to approach the development of Future Internet;
- Channelize international cooperation resources for plans, programs and projects related to the development of Future Internet in the region;
- Obtain financial resources for promoting and supporting some of the activities of FI-LATAM, and
- Convert FI-LATAM as the vehicle and regional platform by which Latin America will play a key role in the design and development of the Internet of the Future.

Organisation

The structure of FI-LATAM comprises a group of companies interested in promoting and consolidating the development of initiatives, programs, projects and activities to stimulate the harmonious implementation of Future Internet in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The collective decisions of all activities performed within this Organisation are taken based on consensus by the Steering Committee, in which each of the companies and organizations that are part of FI-LATAM are represented.

There are three (3) types of members in FI-LATAM:

- **Founding Members:** are those organizations, companies and institutions founders of FI-LATAM. Founding members are entitled to speak and vote in the Steering Committee;
- **Participating Members:** this category is open to any country, government institutions, international and regional organisations as well as public and private companies of any sector of the economy in Latin America and the Caribbean. These Members are entitled to speak and vote in the Steering Committee.
- **Participating Members without the right to speak or vote:** those companies, institutions or entities interested in participating in the development of programs and projects coordinated and led by FI-LATAM, but are not entitled to speak or vote in the Steering Committee. The registration of such members could be done on-line and at any time.

In addition to the described types of memberships, Working Groups are a major component of the structure of FI-LATAM, which are defined to support the activities to be developed in Latin America on the Future Internet domain.

Moreover, we have discussion forums at the major social and professional networks, in which any person interested in the subjects related to Future Internet could participate. Visit us now at [Lindked In](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Governing Board (Steering Committee)

The Governing Board is the maximum instance and authority through which the Founding Members and Participant Members take collective decisions on all the subjects related to FI-LATAM, such decisions are put into force afterwards.

This Governing Board is made up of one representative appointed by each of the FI-LATAM's members, whom shall be entitled to speak and vote in the decision making process to be taken within the meetings of the Governing Board.

The Governing Board is responsible for:

- Establishment of the rules of behaviour that are considered necessary for the proper operation of Governing Board as well as for the achievement of the objectives of FI-LATAM;
- Adoption of rules, regulations, policies and guidelines as may be necessary for the implementation and compliance of activities in charge of FI-LATAM;
- Adoption of a five-year strategic plan for FI-LATAM, the corresponding work program and the budget required to develop such plan;
- Define, organise, review and update periodically the initiatives, programs, and projects that will be part of FI-LATAM's Strategic Plan, as well as the working groups to be organised;
- Study and define the funding strategy, as well as the rules for payment of contributions and ordinary or extraordinary expenses which may be established to FI-LATAM's members;
- Carry out other functions conferred by Members of FI-LATAM.

Working Groups

For the development of the various activities led by FI-LATAM, the following Working Groups have been created:

- **Policy Group:** This group aims to analyse, study and discuss issues related to policy and regulation, government strategies, regional integration, institutional and business support and standardisation for the development of Future Internet in Latin America.
- **Socioeconomic Group:** This group discusses the issues related to the impact of Future Internet on society and economic development at regional level.
- **Architecture and Networking Group:** This group has among its purposes to reach a consensus on what would be the Future Internet architecture that best suits the regional needs and the definition of common action plans for its deployment at regional level. This group analyses and follows up aspects related to the reference model of Future Internet architecture, future networks, content networking, virtualization of infrastructure and new technologies.

- **Internet of Things Group:** This group aims to analyse and study trends related to new concepts such as Internet of Services (IoS) and Internet of Things.
- **Content and Entertainment Group:** Internet is positioned as the main vehicle for finding information, sharing and sale of content as well as entertainment centre. In this sense, this group has among its activities the definition at regional level of strategies, programs and projects designed to potentiate the positioning of the region in the development of content applications, entertainment, storage, distribution and management of online content.

Lines of Action

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In order to integrate harmoniously the Latin American market into the global trends related to the Future Internet, FI-LATAM has defined the following lines of action:

- **Pillars of Future Internet:** This line of action includes the areas of common interest for Latin America in the development of Future Internet, particularly those having to do with the definition of policy and regulatory guidelines and strategies for development, integration and strengthening the region in the Future Internet domain;
- **Internet of Services:** this line of action promotes programs, projects and activities related to offerings of future internet services, the mobility and portability of these services, the development of specialised software and multi-service applications for different industrial sectors as well as content management provisioning;
- **Internet of Things:** The Internet of Things is formed by the networked interconnection of everyday objects (car, trains, buses, home appliance devices, among other). This line of action encourages the development of programs, projects and activities for the development of a "smart region", where the real, digital and virtual worlds are converging to create smart environments;

- **Technological Developments on Future Internet:** This line of action includes the activities necessary for permanent monitoring of the Future Internet technological development as well as for the identification of research & development & innovation needs for strengthening the region in the Future Internet domain;
- **Expertise and Know-How:** This line of action promotes and encourages the development of expertise, know-how and management skills in the region to address the development, growth and evolution of Future Internet.

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