

Online *Ad Hoc* Session to the new members of the Scientific Committee (SC) of the Latin American and Caribbean Center on Health Sciences Information (BIREME/PAHO/WHO)

BIREME/PAHO/WHO, São Paulo, SP – Brazil, August 28, 2020

AGENDA

Terms of reference: Online *Ad Hoc* Session to the new members of the Scientific Committee (SC) permanent body of BIREME that performs consultative functions to PAHO/WHO Director, according to the Center's Statute. The objectives of the SC are described in Article VII of the Statute.

This session aims to maintain effective the communication with the members of the SC, also emphasized in previous sessions of both the SC and the Advisory Committee (AC), and thus offer partial information on the progress in the recommendations made by the previous members, during the V Session that took place in November 28th and 29th, 2019. It will also be an opportunity to present the challenges in the implementation of the 2020-2021 Biannual Work Plan (BWP 20-21) during the global COVID-19 pandemic and to obtain recommendations for overcoming them.

August 28, 2020 Friday	Activities
12h00 – 12h15 pm	Welcome to participants and general context due to COVID-19. <i>Sebastián García Saiso, Director of the Department of Evidence and Intelligence for Action in Health (EIH)</i> <i>Diego González Machín, Director of BIREME</i>
12:15 – 12:45 pm	Brief presentation of the new members of the Committee
12h45 – 1h30 pm	Main products and services (P/S) in the context of the technical cooperation of the Center and topics on financial sustainability in addition to challenges in the implementation of the BWP 20-21 of BIREME during the COVID-19 pandemic. <i>Diego González Machín, Director and the Administration and Technical Cooperation team of BIREME</i>

1h30 – 2h00 pm	General considerations to improve the visibility and quality of BIREME's products and services (P/S) for Latin America and the Caribbean, within the framework of its BWP 20-21, also focusing on its financing. <i>Committee members</i>
2h00 – 2h15 pm	Concluding remarks. <i>PAHO/WHO</i>

New Members of the Scientific Committee of BIREME/PAHO/WHO: in alphabetical order followed by area of specialty and country

1. Alexandre Pozza Urnau Silva, Development, Operation and Financing for Projects, Products and Services of BIREME, Brazil
2. Amanda Wilson, Information Management, United States of America
3. Antonio Sánchez Pereyra, Scientific Communication, Mexico
4. Barend Mons, Information Technology, Netherlands
5. Cezar Augusto Cabezas, Scientific Research, Peru
6. Fabio Tarascow, Education, Argentina
7. Jorge Barreto, Evidence Informed Health, Brazil