

**Third Session of the Scientific Committee of the
Latin American and Caribbean Center on Health Sciences Information (BIREME/PAHO/WHO)**

BIREME/PAHO/WHO, São Paulo, SP – Brazil, 07th-08th December, 2017

AGENDA

Terms of Reference: The Scientific Committee of BIREME is appointed by the Advisory Committee for a term of 3 years and fulfills consultative functions before the PAHO/WHO Director, according to the Statute of the Center. The objectives of the Scientific Committee are described in Article VII of the aforementioned Statute, which appears in the annex.

In the introduction on December 7th, there will be a presentation of the current situation of the Center, its main products and services and its work plan for 2018-2019 so that the members of the Scientific Committee know the scope of work of the Center. It is expected to generate an exchange with the members of the Scientific Committee in order to obtain recommendations to improve the visibility and quality of BIREME products and its positioning in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Dec 7th Thursday	Activities
14:00-16:00	Welcome words. <i>Dr. Diego González, Director of BIREME</i> Presentation of BIREME Scientific Committee Members Participation in the session of the Scientific Committee of CRICS10 (Regional Congress of Information in Health Sciences) <i>Dr. Francisco Becerra, Assistant Director of PAHO/WHO</i> <i>Dr. Diego González, Director of BIREME</i>
16:00-17:00	Visit to the new premises of BIREME Presentation "BIREME TODAY" BIREME products and services as Technical Cooperation of PAHO <i>Dr. Diego González, Director of BIREME</i>
17:30-19:30	Social activity at BIREME
Dec 8th Friday	Activities
09:00-09:30	Opening Session and appointment of the Chairman and Rapporteur Objectives of the meeting and Governance structures of BIREME: Advisory Committee and Scientific Committee <i>Dr. Francisco Becerra, Assistant Director of PAHO/WHO. a.i. Director of KBR</i>
09:30-10:00	Talk for reflection: The need and benefits of health information for operational work and decisions <i>Dr. Mauricio Bustamante</i>
10:00-10:30	Discussion
10:30-11:00	Break and Official Photo of the Members of the Scientific Committee
11:00-12:30	What can BIREME do that nobody else does, what is its added value? How to expand work at the country level or in South-South cooperation?

12:30-14:00	Lunch
14:00-16:00	Potentialities of the role of BIREME in the strategic plan of PAHO and its role in achieving the SDG: How to link with the Sustainable Health Agenda of the Americas and achievement of the SDG?
16:00-16:15	Coffee Break
16:15-16:45	General technical recommendations to the Director of PAHO on the operation, development and technical cooperation (TC) of the functional lines of work that should be considered by BIREME to strengthen the TC actions of PAHO <i>CC Members</i>
16:45-17:30	Closing words to CC Members <i>Dr. Francisco Becerra, Assistant Director of PAHO/WHO</i>

Note: The sessions' reports and related documents will be available in the pendrive provided by BIREME/PAHO/WHO