

XIX GEALC Network Annual Assembly
October 29th, 2026
2025 Work Plan Execution Report

1) Background

In keeping with the bylaws approved during the III Ministerial Meeting of Electronic Government and the VIII Meeting of GEALC Network, held in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, on December 3 and 4, 2014, the Executive Committee must prepare the Annual Work Plan and submit it for approval at the Annual Assembly.

The 2025 Executive Committee, consisting of Bolivia, Brazil, Belize, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Guyana and Paraguay (under the presidency of Chile), supported by the OAS in the role of Technical Secretariat, the IDB as the promoting body, and the Manager of the Network, presents this Plan for approval to the GEALC Network Assembly in Antigua, October 29th, 2025.

2) Purpose

The Annual Work Plan is the tool that organizes actions in the pursuit of the objective of GEALC Network, to “promote and maintain spaces for reflection, mutual understanding, horizontal technical cooperation, training and exchange of experiences, among electronic government agencies or bodies of the region, with the purpose to strengthen electronic government practices, as well as to build bonds between governments, society organizations and international organizations.”¹

3) Work Areas

3.1) Cross-border authentication, digital signature and interoperability

Objective: To generate capacity and support the implementation of cross-border authentication, digital signature and interoperability towards cross-border digital services in order to accelerate adoption in the region, strengthening reliable and safe electronic transactions in an effort to promote digital economies and governments in the context of integration.

¹ Source: GEALC Network Bylaws: <https://www.redgealc.org/sobre-red-gealc/estatutos/>

3.1.1) Regional cross-border digital signature and identity workshop

Location: Santiago de Chile.

Date: March 26th and 27th.

Status: done.²

3.1.2) Support the regional cross-border authentication broker.

Date: From April to December

Status: The Regional Digital Citizen Consortium³ was created to support it (with funds from the IADB, the World Bank, CoDevelop); 12 countries submitted their commitment letters in the first⁴, second⁵ and third⁶ cohorts, and the minimalist broker was developed.

3.1.3) Regional cross-border authentication workshop.

Location: Virtual.

Date: June 27th.

Status: Done⁷.

3.1.4) Update of the list of trusted lists of cross-border digital signature.

Location: Virtual.

Date: Every six months.

Status: Done.

3.1.5) Two horizontal cooperation meetings

Date: April 8th to April 10th.

Resources: Uruguay's participation at Caribbean DPI Summit⁸ was supported and there were exchanges between Uruguay and the countries of the regional broker.

3.1.6) Workshop on the European experience

Location: Antigua, Guatemala

Date: September.

Status: Done within the framework of the agreement with eGa⁹.

3.1.7) Webinar on multiplication for legislators

Location: virtual.

Status: It is postponed to the first semester of 2026

² <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/taller-de-autenticacion-transfronteriza-en-chile/>

³ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/lanzamiento-de-consorcio-ciudadano-digital-lac/>

⁴ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/definidos-los-paises-de-la-primera-cohorte-del-ciudadano-digital-regional/>

⁵ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/definidos-los-paises-de-la-segunda-cohorte-del-ciudadano-digital-regional/>

⁶ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/definidos-los-paises-de-la-tercera-cohorte-del-ciudadano-digital-regional/>

⁷ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/reunion-de-lanzamiento-del-ciudadano-digital-regional/>

⁸ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/red-gealc-participo-en-caribbean-dpi-summit/>

⁹ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/se-firmo-carta-de-intencion-ega-red-gealc/>

3.1.8) Consensus technical document on regional digital authentication.

Location: Virtual meetings.

Status: Done.

3.1.9) Working group meetings.

Location: Virtual.

Date: 4 per year.

Status: Done.

3.1.10) Enhance the space for this theme on the website of GEALC Network.

Location: Virtual.

Date: annual.

Status: Done.

3.2) Open Data

Objective: To redouble efforts to develop and strengthen open data, as well as regional open data policies and initiatives.

3.2.1) Regional GobCamp

Date: July 22nd to 24th.

Location: La Paz, Bolivia.

Status: Done jointly with Condatos¹⁰.

3.2.2) Regional Webinar

Date: 1st semester

Location: Virtual.

Status: Participating countries carried out activities on Open Data Day in a decentralized manner¹¹.

3.2.3) Working Group meetings

Date: 4 a year.

Status: In progress

3.3) Cybersecurity

Objective: To contribute with the development of useful inputs to create and implement cybersecurity policies in the countries of the region.

3.3.1) Regional webinar on this subject matter.

Location: Virtual.

Date: September 30th.

¹⁰ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/bolivia-sera-sede-de-abrelatam-condatos/>

¹¹ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/paises-de-la-region-y-el-dia-de-los-datos-abiertos/>

Status: Done. (From planning to action, Digital ID).

3.3.2) Regional webinar on this subject matter.

Location: Antigua, Guatemala

Date: October 27th.

Status: Planned.

3.3.3) Working Group meetings

Date: 4 a year

Status: Done.

3.3.4) Enhance the space for this theme on the website of GEALC Network.

Location: Virtual.

Date: Annual.

Status: Done.

3.4) Digital equity

Objective: Support actions aimed at a digital transformation that takes into account equity among people.

3.4.1) Working Group concept document

Location: Virtual.

Status: In progress.

3.4.2) Regional webinar on the subject matter

Location: Virtual

Date: September 17th.

Status: Done¹².

3.4.3) Working Group meetings

Date: 4 per year.

Location: Virtual exchanges.

Status: Done.

3.5) Data governance and artificial intelligence

Objective: Join efforts and generate collaboration for the design of the Inter -American Guidelines for Data Governance and Artificial Intelligence as well as to carry out knowledge transfers in the subject matter between the countries of the region.

¹² <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/xix-reunion-anual-de-la-red-interamericana-de-gobierno-digital-red-gealc-1/>

3.5.1) Two dialogue spaces for knowledge exchange with civil society organizations and private companies.

Status: In progress.

3.5.2) Monitoring of the regional document on data governance and artificial intelligence guidelines.

Status: In progress.

3.5.3) Regional webinar on the subject matter.

Location: Virtual

Date: September 16th.

Status: Done (Data as the engine of AI in public administration)

3.5.4) Working Group meetings.

Date: 4 per year.

Location: Virtual exchanges.

Status: In progress.

3.6) Public software and Public digital infrastructures

Objective: To make progress in the sharing of public software and Digital Public Infrastructure by the GEALC Network countries.

3.6.1) Regional webinar.

Location: Virtual

Date: March 24th.

Status: Done¹³.

3.6.2) Working Group meetings

Date: 4 per year.

Status: Done.

3.6.3) Enhance the space for this thematic axis on the website of GEALC Network.

Location: Virtual.

Date: Annual.

Status: Done.

3.7) Emerging technologies and innovation

¹³ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/webinar-sobre-credenciales-verificables-verifiable-credentials-cdpi-red-gealc/>

Objective: To identify emerging technologies and become familiar with them, in line with government innovation, to support digital transformation in the region.

3.7.1) Regional webinar.

Date: September 30th.

Status: Done. (From planning to action, Digital ID).

3.7.2) Regional document update

Date: Annual.

Status: In progress.

3.7.3) Working Group meetings

Date: 4 per year.

Location: Virtual exchanges.

Status: Done.

3.7.4) Enhance the space for this thematic axis on the website of GEALC Network.

Location: Virtual.

Date: Annual.

Status: Done.

3.8) Green Digital Transformation

Objective: To support actions aimed at a digital transformation that takes the environment into consideration.

3.8.1) Working Group concept document

Location: Virtual

Status: In progress.

3.8.2) Regional webinar on the subject matter.

Location: Virtual

Date: 2nd semester

Status: Pending.

3.8.3) Working Group meetings

Date: 4 per year.

Status: Done.

3.9) Cross-sectional matters

Objective: To disseminate regional progress on digital government through GEALC

Network and to mainstream working Group actions.

3.9.1) Content update at Red GEALC's website and social media.

Date: Annual.

Location: Virtual.

Status: Done and the Communication Working Group will meet in the third quarter of the year.

3.9.2) Strengthen the Network's position and coordination with other mechanisms.

Date: Annual.

Status: Done. Examples: The President of GEALC Network participated in the OAS meeting for public sector data leaders¹⁴. The Manager of GEALC Network participated in the 2nd edition of the EU-LAC High-Level Policy Dialogue on eGovernance¹⁵. We participated jointly with the Digital Agenda Group of Mercosur.

3.9.3) Support processes to strengthen the regional agenda in keeping with resolutions arising from the OAS General Assembly.

Date: Annual.

Location: Virtual.

Status: Incorporated in the Declaration of Antigua, Guatemala.

3.9.4) Publish information on coordination efforts between GEALC Network and other mechanisms with respect to the regional digital transformation agenda.

Status: In progress.

3.9.5) Cross-sectional Working Groups webinar

Date: 2nd semester.

Location: Virtual.

Status: Planned.

3.9.6) Support, through the Measurement working group, the regional studies on the subject matter carried out in coordination with GEALC Network.

Date: Annual.

Location: Virtual.

Status: Coordination with Brazil is underway for a study on digital transformation and environmental protection.

3.10) GEALC Network Annual Meeting

¹⁴ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/presidente-de-red-gealc-participa-en-instancia-de-la-oca-sobre-lideres-de-datos-en-el-sector-publico/>

¹⁵ <https://www.redgealc.org/contenido-general/noticias/segundo-dialogo-de-alto-nivel-de-la-alianza-digital-eu-lac-en-egobernanza/>

3.10.1) XIX Annual Meeting action plan.

Location: Virtual

Status: Done.

3.10.2) Meeting documents.

Location: Virtual

Date: 2nd semester.

Status: Done.

3.10.3) Hold the meeting and approve documents.

Location: Guatemala.

Status: Done.