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Origin

Its origin dates from the Caucus region of Latin America and the Caribbean by NGOs and NGO networks belonging and working in the region , participated actively in the preparatory process to the Children's Special Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations

The caucus was formed during the First Substantive Session of the Preparatory Committee, in June 2000 in New York City, and from then on, it was doing different activities at the national,

subregional and regional levels that were allowing its consolidation as a benchmark for the region . Once the Special Session of caucus decides to move the regional network for the defense of the rights of children and adolescents.

About Us

A Collective of national coalitions of civil society with appreciation , political and social legitimacy, which provides the knowledge, recognition and inclusion of children and adolescen ts to ensure their rights. All together in a network of twenty-eighth national networks for the rights of children and adolescents in twenty-two countries in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Its work includes both rights promotion as their enforcement, defense and even more of them to intervene in the area of justiciability. Nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) involved in these national networks are mostly nucleated national associations on topics such as childhood, adolescence and youth, development, poverty, monitoring of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, equity and gender equity, youth leadership, promoting sexual and reproductive health, religious associations for children, among others.

View

Latin American and the Caribbean region that generates and distributes his wealth with equity and social justice, guaranteeing the rights of children and adolescents.

Mission

To promote and encourage the effective exercise of human rights of children and adolescents through the promotion, protection and defense of the same against the guarantors and national, regional and international instances.

General Objectives

Strengthen the active role of civil society organizations and groups of children and adolescents in each country and as a region in surveillance, monitoring, enforcement, enforceability and effect on compliance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child by the states for the defense of the full enjoyment of all their rights.

Specific Objectives

Generate critical knowledge about situations that affect children and adolescents in their survival and development, participation and fulfill its interests and non - discrimination, including the construction of indicators of status.

Influencing public agendas building regional, subregional and national defense and fulfillment of the rights of children and adolescents.

To promote and facilitate the participation of children and adolescents in political advocacy for the enforcement of their rights.

Strengthen the capacities of its coalitions members in political advocacy in the powers of their countries States as well as in the inter-American and universal human rights.

Regulatory Framework

The Redlamyc has an Organization and Functioning Ethical Framework, as well as a document of Identity and Performance Standards that establishes the basic reference for the collective performance and commitment to the protection, promotion and defense of the rights of children and adolescents, based for legal registration in the legal personality of the coalition members. It also integrates the guidelines of international treaties, universal and regional inter-American Human Rights.

Beginning

The Redlamyc intentioned their actions based on the following principles: commitment to human rights, non- discrimination, enforceability and accountability autonomy, democratic participation and complementarity transparency. The Redlamyc adheres to the regulatory framework of the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

The Redlamyc is committed to promoting accountability and compliance with the guarantors and plans to increase the capacity of civil society organizations to support the fulfillment of rights of children and adolescents.

- The Redlamyc recognizes children and adolescents as social and law with dignity and conditions of people in development, ensuring that their voices are heard, taken into account and integrated into network shares.
- 2. The Redlamyc contributes to measurable impacts on children and adolescents and the enjoyment of their rights with common and clearly defined goals, that can be achieved.
- 3. The Redlamyc take a long-term perspective, so it works on an analysis of trends, opportunities and capabilities, while undertaking urgent and immediate actions to threats and violations of the rights.

- 4. The incidence, Redlamyc considers a variety of actors partners (institutions of states, civil society organizations, communities, the private sector, the media, etc.) and various forms of association (formalized partnerships, coalitions, networking, strategic alliances, etc..).
- 5. The main guarantors of compliance and defense are all branches of government and government agencies who need to create the conditions for all to fulfill their responsibilities.
- 6. The programming and implementation processes of the incidence of Redlamyc are participatory, analytical, in partnership and coordination with a variety of actors, including children and adolescents capable of empowering the coalitions.
- 7. The Redlamyc develops the capacity to support coalitions members incidence in all countries of the region and sub-regional bodies, inter-American and global, ensuring the links between the different areas and respecting the uniqueness of each country and subregio.

Coordinating Mechanisms

The basis of operation of the Redlamyc is the link between the diversity of coalitions, whether bilaterally, in sub groups of interest or common situations, by geographic or as a collective whole. To achieve the complementarity of these organization and operation modalities we set:

- The Assembly (main body for making major decisions in the network)
- · The Coordinating Council
- The Sub Regional Coordinators
- The Executive Secretary
- · The working groups and ad hoc working group
- The ethics commission fiscal

The Assembly

- 1. Is the leader and provides the governance and guidelines rules for the Redlamyc and therefore assumes the strategic direction of the development and performance of it. Governance is exercised by the coalition members through sharing practices, coordination, control and decision-making based on common interests in the defense of the rights of children and adolescents.
- 2. The Assembly will be considered the highest authority with powers to define ethical, political, organizational, and operational standards, management and sustainability for the fulfillment of its mission.
- 3. They hold a regular meeting at least every eighteen months and extraordinarily all times it is deemed necessary to call the Coordinating Council and / or any of its members. Meetings may be presential and / or virtual.

- 4. The Assembly shall consist of all coalitions that at the time of its completion are registered as members of the Redlamyc and privileged decisions, if not achieved by simple majority will be taken by consensus. The adoption or transformation of rules and / or a strategic plans will be approved by at least two-thirds of registered coalitions when being analyzed.
- 5. Each coalition member shall ensure their representation at all meetings, specifying the name of the person to represent them in the working sessions which will be officially communicated to the Executive Secretary, specifying the name and position within the network. This person must have the full delegation for taking own decisions and assume Assembly resolutions, as well as sufficient information about their involvement to situations within the Redlamyc and assume the commitment to officially inform the coalition source on the development of the Assembly.
- 6. This will be the instance that will approve the admission of coalitions joining applying and deciding on the resignation and expulsion processes and actions brought by coalitions members submitted for decision. (See membership)
- 7. Will choose coalitions elected members of the Ethics-Tax committee and rule on situations that it may present.
- 8. Define and approve strategic plans and compliance assessment and the definition of priorities for advocacy in the sub regions as Latin America and Caribbean.
- 9. Approve annual reports and financial statements submitted by the Executive Secretary and shall deal with the coordinating council annual reports, ethical commission Tax and Working Groups.
- 10. Elects the person appointed to the Executive Secretary.
- 11. The Assembly is considered a quorum of 50 % plus 1 of coalitions full members, and at least one member present from each subregion.

Coordinating Council

To ensure the consistently functioning of the Redlamyc according to their frames of reference through its coordination, management, monitoring and tracked for operating the same.

The Coordinating Council integrates with Sub Regional Coordinators and the Executive Secretary . Also responsible for working groups and a member of the Ethics-Tax committee can participate in the sessions, but not be a part of it.

Its members are organized in systematic communication and hold sessions in person at least once a year, and virtually all times it is necessary to call for any of its members.

- 1. Materialize the strategic plan and the agreements of the Assembly in annual operating plans.
- 2. Will design and coordinate the implementation of sustainability programs and initiatives of the Network.

- 3. Make viable the results and products of the working groups on political advocacy.
- 4. Develop and publish statements on behalf of the Network as part of the promotion and defense of the rights of children and adolescents.
- 5. Monitor and follow up the plans and actions of the Working Groups and the application of resources for the same.
- 6. Coalitions will support members in their efforts and policy advocacy before the powers of states and international agencies and bodies.
- 7. Encourage and facilitate management knowledge among coalitions members and working groups.
- 8. Processed in the first instance the process of admission, suspension, disqualification, resignation, exclusion and appeals by members and coalitions who submit them to the Assembly for decision.
- 9. Making available to Coalitions members reports, books of account and records and would provide appropriate explanations as may be requested.
- 10. Ratify those who hold positions in support of the Executive Secretary.
- 11. Present for consideration by the Attorney Ethics Committee and the Assembly the annual evaluation report and the financial statements prepared by the Executive Secretary.
- 12. Represent or appoint representatives to the regional and international Redlamyc agencies with reference to the networks of each country for national -level representations.
- 13. Ensure the updated record of their agreements and the corresponding distribution to all members of the REDLAMYC.
- 14. Organize the implementation of the Assembly and shall convene ordinary meetings and extraordinary.
- 15. Will present an Annual report of their performance to the coalitions members.

Sub Regional Coordinators

Because of the size and geographical spread of the Latin America and the Caribbean is considered organized by sub regions.

Initial conformation is proposed:

- The sub region coalitions of Mesoamerica and the Caribbean. consisting of Aruba, Costa Rica, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Belize, Dominican Republic, Trinidad and Tobago.
- The Andean sub regio coalitions comprising Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela.

The South subregion coalitions comprising Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay.

The Sub Regional Coordinators foster communication and coordination of initiatives, actions, proposals arising between coalitions members that make up each subregion and other sub regions, monitoring and following up the implementation of the agreements between the coalitions that shape and Assembly in the sub region.

The coordination of each sub region will be chosen by the members of the sub-coalitions, a position that will last three years and may be re-elected for a single period. Coalitions members of each sub-region and / or coordinating council may request a change of coordination, in writing and founded, for which it shall convene a special meeting. In case a decision is made to change, the same should be communicated to all members of the network simultaneously considering who holds the respective role from then.

Be criteria for choosing the capacity of coalitions to promote communication, articulation and projection as well as the official explicit commitment to take on this role. The choice must be balanced coalitions capabilities before people representatives.

- 1. Serve on the coordinating council.
- 2. Guarantee the implementation of the plans and actions of the corresponding subregion, as well as the management of the resources for the same.
- 3. Follow up the communications from the Executive Secretary.
- 4. Invigorate the social projection of the Coalitions and the Redlamyc in the instances and events in the sub region to contribute to the promotion and defense of the rights of children and adolescents.
- 5. Support, in coordination with the Executive Secretary, the efforts of coalitions members for development.
- 6. Present to the Assembly the most relevant situations from happening in the region.
- 7. Ensure the records of their efforts.
- 8. Submit to coalitions members and the Assembly an annual report on its performance.
- 9. Every three years an evaluation of the coalition led by management to carry out defined subregional coordination and define whether or not to follow a new period (in the case that is relevant).

Executive Secretary

The person responsible for the Executive Secretary shall be elected by the Assembly , after having carried out a prior call for nominations to coalitions with the respect ive terms of reference for the position . Main reference is taken as a commitment to the promotion and defense of human rights , especially those of children and adolescents , experience in project development and promotion of rights advocacy and project management and administration of human development and social and advocacy of rights.

Each coalition which present a candidacy, should be responsible for providing support to it, at the time that it deems necessary, to the Executive Secretary to carry out their management respecting the independence and objectivity that should be displayed in the performance by the other networks in the region.

At the same time the coalition which present an application must propose the options for the administrative support of the role and management of the network in general, which must be taken into account in the evaluation of the application with the same rigor with technical and political it is evaluated or define candidate.

The executive secretary shall be elected to hold office for a term of four years and may be reelected if they deem it appropriate for one time.

Selected the person, will have to form a support team for administration - accounting and assisting communication and communication management in accordance with the reference coalition in the country and the coordinating council.

At four years of his administration the assembly evaluate it and define whether or not to follow a new period. The coalition members and / or coordinating council at any time of the exercise of its management, may pose a special meeting in order to remove / to the office . Such request must be justified and submitted in writing. In case a decision must change simultaneously consider an alternative proposed interim to define the new position. The interim position will be assumed by a member of the coordinating council and shall not exceed 6 month.

Coordinate the functioning of the network, manage and administer its resources and represent the network before a and bodies required.

- 1. Make viable communication and coordination between sub regions and national coalitions
- 2. Make viable the recognition and articulation of national coalitions to and with international organizations linked to Redlamyc
- 3. Contribute, together with the Coordinating Council, the design of the operational plans for the Redlamyc with the Assembly imputs, and within the framework of the strategic plan.
- 4. Provide advice and timely support to the Working Groups and Sub Regional Coordinators in the performance of their duties.
- 5. Will present to the Coordinating Council the propose to the political strategies of the Network.
- 6. Will present to the Coordinating Council consideration the annual reports regarding the coordination, management, administration and representation of the Network.
- 7. Will facilitate and follow up arrangements that are made by the Assembly and the Coordinating Council.
- 8. Monitor the implementation of organizational and operational guidelines of the Network.
- 9. Represent the Redlamyc into international organizations and bodies, in accordance with the Coordinating Council.

- 10. Administer resources for the operation of the Network, in coordination with the Coordinating Council, the Sub Regional Coordinators and Working Groups.
- 11. Manage resources according to operational plans approved by the Coordinating Council.
- 12. According to the annual budget, contract and subcontract the necessary personnel for the fulfillment of the purposes of the Network, shall pay, regulate the functions of the staff, determine the responsibilities and monitor their performance, all with the approval of the Coordinating Council.
- 13. Follow up on the update of the accounting books and financial records of the Redlamyc.
- 14. Oversee the updated information in the log book the coalition members and its member organizations.
- 15. Keep updated the website of the Network and its maintenance, as well as all other virtual platforms under its responsibility.
- 16. Sign official documents containing requirements for the Redlamyc, consistent and in accordance with the provisions of this ethical framework, organizational and operation of the Network, with the support of the Coordinating Council.

Working groups and ad-hoc groups

Invigorate coalitions involving synergistically members from their experiences and capabilities of the different situations that affect the full realization of the rights of children and adolescents under the strategic plan of the Redlamyc or by temporary situations; or emerging consecuences the Coordinating Council considers relevant ad referendum to be ratified at the next meeting. This through a variety of means, including: information sharing, coordination of actions, develop agendas and strategies, creating new tools joining national and international efforts that result in proposed advocacy at regional and global decision on the rights of children and adolescents, so that collective logic voices emerge in both sides, organizations own members and children and adolescents about important topics for the fulfillment of the rights of this sector.

The Working Groups are made up of voluntary integration of coalitions that should fit according to their interests, for which it will officially appoint the Council in writing coordinator concerning persons to represent them in each Group.

The mandate and duration of existence of the Working Groups will be determined by the Assembly. In each Working Group participants coalitions elect one of them as the group coordinator and may also select one that meets as rapporteur. The term of this responsibility will be for two years and may be re-elected in case the Working Group considers it.

Every two years an evaluation of the management carried by the Coalition defined to carry out the coordination of the working group and define whether or not to follow a new period. While coalitions REDLAMYC members and / or coordinating council at any time of the exercise of its management, may pose a special meeting to remove the group coordinating the same application must be founded and submitted in writing. In case a decision is made to change the same should be

communicated to all members of the network simultaneously considering who holds the respective role from then on.

The working groups:

- 1. Will enhance the experience, knowledge, methodologies and proposals of the coalition members on the issues and situations that affect the fulfillment of the rights of children and adolescents.
- 2. Foster the production of knowledge on the topics, regions and mandates of each Working Group.
- 3. Become logics visible in national, sub regional and regional situations affecting the full implementation of the rights of children and adolescents.
- 4. Develop proposals to carry out advocacy to influence public policies, programs and plans as well as the decisions of bodies and agencies of the universal and inter-American system of human rights.
- 5. Participate in international instances and events under the Redlamyc name, where the positions and proposals presented in the same, particularly those associated with the topics, regions and mandates under each Working Group.
- 6. Promote and adhere to the organization and implementation of events that contribute to the defense of the rights of children and adolescents, especially those linked to the themes, regions and mandates under each Working Group.
- 7. Propose to the Assembly their positions about situations that affect the fulfillment of the rights of children and adolescents in the world either in the region, in one of the sub regions or countries in the subjects of each group work.
- 8. Managed resources in coordination with the Executive Secretary and the Coordinating Council for the conduct of its activities.
- 9. Ensure the records of your arrangements and productions, informing the Coordinating Council.
- 10. Submit to the Assembly an annual report on its performance

Ethics Commission - Fiscal

Perform internal controller on compliance with the Ethical Framework, organizational and operational. Monitor the transparency and accountability of each instance and the Network as well as the fulfillment of the responsibilities of persons who have been elected to perform some function or representation, whether voluntarily or rented.

Coalitions will be formed of three members that must be part of the same Redlamyc representative subregions, elected at the Assembly and will last for three years. Selection criterion will be the collective recognition within the network to its exercise in transparency and accountability.

The coalitions that form part of the tax ethics commission may not hold positions in the Executive Council and the driving roles Sub Regional Coordinators or working groups.

One of the Fiscal Commission members of the coalition members, will participate in the meetings of the Board in case it is needed.

The ethics commission fiscall

- 1. Propose to the Assembly coalitions members and regulations deemed appropriate for ethical practice, organization and operation of the Redlamyc.
- 2. Verify compliance with the applicable regulations on integration, participation and coalitions decoupling network members.
- 3. Verify the compliance with the regulations established for the relationship of children and adolescents own activities promoted by the Net, and still be receiving requests and complaints from them.
- 4. Monitor the actions performed by the Network corresponding to the frames of reference established for ethical practice, organizational and operational.
- 5. Monitor the correct application of financial and material resources with which to tell the network, taking into account external audit reports.
- 6. Perform financial and administrative reviews, and require the implementation of corrections as appropriate, to ensure the implementation of procedures for controlled.
- 7. Propose to the Assembly the resolutions on controlled and supervised areas and anything else they deem a collective decision is required due to its relevance to the functioning and legitimacy of the Network
- 8. Submit to the Assembly an annual report.

Criteria for defining representations

For the purpose of designating Redlamyc representations of instances and events required to participate, shall take into consideration the following criteria:

- In the event of national or sub-national, will privilege the participation of national coalitions
 equal, mentioning your Redlamyc membership as a way to promote their position in the
 national field.
- 2. At events and instances of sub-regional scope, representation in the coalition will fall preferably holding the Sub Regional Coordination . In coalition agreement between coalitions other members may be appointed as representatives at events and instances.
- 3. At events and instances of regional, interregional and global representation shall be exercised by any member of the Coordinating Council and / or the Executive Secretary, or the person designated by the Coordinating Council . Preferably who count on a regional perspective and broad knowledge of the REDLAMYC and have more work experience in

- the subject, region or population concerned the event or instance and considering secondary territorial proximity criteria to host the event or instance.
- 4. All performances will be designated taking into account the experience of working with the REDLAMYC and the capabilities of member coalitions proposals based on the topics, regions or populations try the event or instance, the previous performance of the proposed member coalitions other representations and possibilities of alternation in representations, in order to encourage the flow of information.
- 5. All designated representatives assume responsibility for:
 - a. Sufficient information and date of actions and positions of the network and its member coalitions in the subject matter of the representation.
 - b. Ask network positions in spaces that represents it. When these positions are not sufficiently agreed on the Redlamyc, the representation must avoid raising any position in space that has the representation, beyond the explicitly determined for the occasion by the Coordinating Council and / or Executive Secretary.
 - c. Refrain from taking responsibility on behalf of the network beyond those explicitly delegated to it as a representative, without checking by the established mechanisms.
 - d. Inform the mechanisms established in a timely manner about the activities, decisions, doubts and queries relating to the network representation exercised.
- 6. The Executive Secretary designated representations contribute to the end that they have sufficient information on participatory processes in instances found and the positions taken by the network in the subjects of the instances and events as well as about mechanisms for consultation and information.
- 7. When a coalition member receives an invitation to participate in events or instances of sub regional basis, regional, interregional and global in its capacity as the national network, communicate this to the Redlamyc and share it with all other members the progress coalitions made in those spaces. If considered appropriate, may contain the positions of the coalition members and the network as a whole in order to enrich their participation. For the purposes of safeguarding the respective autonomies, such participation shall not be considered a representation of itself Redlamyc, unless otherwise agreed between the coalition and the Coordinating Council member who carries both parties accept the terms of responsibilities in the representations. This agreement does not submit the appointment of representatives to a new process.

Membership

Membership of the Redlamyc constitutes in the acceptance of the Ethical Framework, Organizational and Functioning, strategic plan and compliance with established agreements in different instances and their active participation in at least one Working Group.

Redlamyc Participation of more than one country coalition, as long as they have their performance centrality of the rights of children and adolescents and are willing to work together in the instances so warrant.

To belong to the Redlamyc, the coalition candidate must make a request in writing either to the Council or the Executive Secretary Coordinator, consigning a statement of the reasons for the nomination and organizational identity characteristics of the coalition candidate, their adherence to Ethical Framework, Organizational and Operating and consider making those contributions to the community and receive it.

It should be made clear its commitment to the promotion and defense of the rights of children and youth in the framework of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Also mention the people who shall exercise their official representation at the Redlamyc. Each coalition applicant must fill out the form developed for this purpose and present the information at least two months before the Assembly takes place. In such a way that it can be evaluated by the Coordinating Council prior to it and request, if necessary to the elaboration or clarification on the information shared.

Applications should be submitted by the Coordinating Council or by the Executive Secretary for consideration by the Assembly, who explicitly make their considerations and positioning of acceptance or rejection. At the request of a coalition may request specific information about the performance of the coalition applicant.

Acceptance of integration as a full member must be supported by at least three-quarters of the Assembly at the time of submitting for consideration. The decision that all coalition members take will be communicated by the Coordinating Council Executive Secretary I coalition applicant.

Untying some Redlamyc coalition membership should any of the following reasons:

- a. Waiver of the coalition by resolution of the highest decision making body of the same, with official communication that includes the preamble to the Coordinating Council.
- b. Dissolution of the coalition member.
- c. Removal by decision of at least three-quarters of the members of the Redlamyc coalitions when put into consideration in Assembly. The reason for this decision must be based on the objectives, mission, vision and principles of the Redlamyc.

The Executive Secretariat shall keeping the register of member coalitions. Each coalition must timely reporting on the record to the Executive Secretary changes in its management, and mail your mailing address and the references in the Working Groups.

Guidelines for the promotion of the participation of children and adolescents

Promoting the participation of children and adolescents in the arrangements, processes and mechanisms generated by Redlamyc take into consideration the following criteria:

- 1. Production of friendly and relevant information, in different languages (at least in Portuguese) for children and adolescents on all of these systems, procedures and mechanisms, on the contents of each initiative and proposed process, and on the content of consultation and joint construction
- 2. The generation of safe and secure spaces for the participation of children and adolescents, whether in meetings at school or virtual spaces.

- 3. The consideration of equal opportunities for participation in the consultation process, participatory construction of proposals and accountability so that you can ensure that the mechanisms provided and deadlines remove barriers associated with gender, age, abilities, the socio-economic situation, ethnic and national identities and any other form of discrimination.
- 4. The establishment of mechanisms to ensure the effective participation of children and adolescents in the proposals and activities of the REDLAMYC as well as monitoring and evaluation of compliance with the commitments made by the network
- 5. The preparation and awareness of the adults who are in contact with children and adolescents, so that they have the sufficient skills and necessary attitudes to enable them to question their prejudices regarding participation of this sector and favorably disposed dialogue.
- 6. Respect for the participation of children and adolescents and the commitment to provide accountability monitoring and evaluating the quality and impact of their participation.
- 7. Ensuring that children and adolescents have access to the information about their rights and make use of it in terms of compliance and defense mechanisms to instances and according to legal, institutional and political force and that they feel part of the advocacy processes to be taken into account.
- 8. Support for the development of their ability to identify the existing institutions, and their national, regional, inter-American and universal use.
- 9. The promotion of self-recognition, ownership and the full exercise of their rights and the development of capabilities for reporting, application and the proposal compliance
- 10. The promotion of the groups of children and adolescents that have been promoting advocacy initiatives at local, sub-national and national level.
- 11. Facilitate processes for girls, boys and teenagers to have their knowledge skills and abilities multiplyed.
- 12. The systematization together with groups of children and adolescents in the advocacy experiences that have been successful and those that do not or have had significant limitations.

Social Communication

Understanding communication as a human right and a fundamental part of the identity of the Redlamyc its social and meanings symbols, images and projects in relation to the promotion and defense of the rights of children and adolescents, while make visible the fact their actions and proposals and mobilize, publicize opportunities for the fulfillment of rights, and facilitate the participation of children and adolescents.

The skills you develop as Net involves:

- Develop a communication strategy for the Redlamyc, from a rights perspective.
- Render visible the situations that affect and benefit the children and adolescents, as well as the positions taken by the network against them.
- Generate public awareness of all aspects that affect children and adolescents, by act or
 omission of the powers, authorities, institutions and authorities have a responsibility to
 ensure their rights.

- Place on the public agenda relevant issues to social perception and representation of childhood and adolescence.
- Influencing the media and public opinion by suggesting special topics on the situation of the rights of children and adolescents
- Produce own materials in different languages (at least 1 Portuguese) from the information collected and processed from the experiences of the member coalitions.

Publications, website and e-newsletters are three specific ways in which the Redlamyc may have direct control over the products perform. These shall be under the supervision of the Board and the Executive Secretariat Coordindador who must establish the criteria and proposals on each content, format and characteristics. It may delegate this function operating on Communication Commission coalitions formed by members who have in themselves or among its member organizations already installed and developed skills in social media on children and adolescents.

The website will be attached and under the responsibility of the Executive Secretariat, which should ensure its maintenance and updating. The coalition members have the responsibility to feed systematic information to the page.

Should join the network in updated form for public access:

- 1. The updated register of members Redlamyc coalitions.
- 2. The frames of reference of the Redlamyc own.
- 3. The reports of the Working Groups.
- 4. The annual reports of the Network
- 5. The annual accounting reports.
- 6. Publications of the Network and, where possible, of the coalitions members and member organizations.
- 7. The exchange of successful experiences in strategic communications for the rights of children and adolescents and its promotion, protection and monitoring in the region.
- 8. The translation into the different languages of the basic documents.
- 9. The inclusion of all logos and updated directory of member coalitions Redlamyc in defining communication products.

Systems and mechanisms to influence

The Redlamyc will work primarily favoring the processes that involves the modification of the conditions for the enjoyment and exercise of the rights of children and adolescents in the region, so that the impact on key stakeholders, particularly the public institutions responsible for the guarantee of those rights, assume their respective roles and develop the skills to fulfill their responsibilities.

Redlamyc 's strategies for its incidence are defined according to the following guidelines:

- 1. Knowledge of the situation of the rights of children and adolescents and prioritization for the activities of the Network
- 2. The consideration of the guidelines and recommendations of international human rights systems

- 3. The continuous mapping favorable adverse forces to undertake initiatives, recognizing social actors and institutions with whom to form alliances for the development of initiatives.
- 4. The explicit enumeration date and current and potential partners and allies in each policy area and geographic region.
- 5. The joint member coalitions among themselves and with other coalitions and networks linked to the themes of work, promoting a synergy of action, action and coordination.
- 6. Strengthening the role of the coalition members in their countries of origin and the empowerment of its membership in a regional network.
- 7. The active participation in regional consensus building.
- 8. The strategic presence in lobbying and monitoring space agreements with decision makers in the States, agencies and mechanisms created by them, monitoring mechanisms of international treaties and all systems of protection and promotion of rights.

When defining incidence and thematic spaces and representations of the network in areas of lobbying, these guidelines are translated into criteria for identifying and selecting topics and spheres of influence.

The Redlamyc intends to develop its actions policy based on cycles that integrate and interweave each other:

- The initiatives promoted through the Redlamyc processes will be based on research, planning, monitoring, evaluation and systematization and accountability.
- Incidence in groups, thematic territories and specific criteria, shared, validated and supervised, progressive in incorporating learning in new initiatives, and the convergence of these criteria with the rights approach.
- Recovery, systematization and sharing of the experiences
- Enhancing the information collected and processed and validated methodologies to apply to the professional qualifications of the people involved in policies, programs and projects with children and adolescents
- Place on the public agenda issues relevant to social perception and representation of childhood and adolescence
- Impact on media by suggesting special topics on the situation of the rights of children and adolescents.
- Contribute to the development and citizenship of children and adolescents, through their active participation.

Accountability

Each Working Group, Sub Regional Coordination, Executive Secretariat, the Coordinating Council, the ethics committee and the Assembly prosecutor must have appropriate procedures to their nature, objectives, roles and responsibilities for accountability and financial program.

The exercise of accountability should focus on the assessment of compliance, effectiveness, relevance and importance of what has been proposed conduct in each instance.

The emphasis is on identify the contributions of the results and impacts:

- 1. The rights of children and adolescents.
- 2. The development of the capacities of children and adolescents for advocacy.
- 3. The development of the organizational culture of the Redlamyc.
- 4. The development of skills and competencies of member coalitions and subregions for advocacy.
- 5. Achieving growth coalitions and regional network as such, depending on the rights approach.

The criteria for accountability of the Redlamyc is:

- a. Each instance must consider the means from which it can verify the information provided to the Assembly
- b. Should be done to children and adolescents (in writing and public; friendly formats), or partner with allied organizations and agencies with whom they have received support, particularly in technical and financial form assistance.
- c. disclosure of financial information completely and permanently updated all coalition members (making known origin, volume, application, share and forecast requirements, availability and use of financial and economic resources).

Sustainability and management

Redlamyc sustainability projects in its political, organizational, technical and financial corresponds to the logical management that the Network must administered in accordance with its intent and direction and in a manner that promotes its operation.

Redlamyc sustainability is based on the following pillars:

- a. clarity, ownership and implementation of the frames of reference for the governance of the coalition and advocacy;
- b. the effectiveness and impact of the results achieved in the defense of the rights of children and adolescents:
- c. the assessment of children and adolescents involved coalitions Redlamyc members as one of its strategic partners;
- d. continuity in the build coalitions capabilities, in particular and as a group, and their sense of belonging, particularly through regional and sub agendas strengthening Sub Regional Coordinators;
- e. duration, and increased diversity of support received for its development, defined by the same egalitarian Redlamyc interacting with potential donors
- f. duration, consolidation, expansion and extension of social recognition geopolitical, political legitimacy and institutional credibility.

The financial sustainability of the Redlamyc take into account:

- a. The diversification of funds and reduced the risks inherent in the almost exclusive reliance on funding agencies.
- b. Redlamyc may manage and receive financial support from the following sources provided they do not compromise their autonomy, performance and commitment to the rights of children and adolescents, either technical or financial, preferably a non-refundable:
- Multilateral organizations.
- Bilateral agencies, according to a coalition in a given country.
- Private organizations cooperation with international or national scope.
- c. Redlamyc do not accept donations or support of companies producing alcohol, snuff products and weapons, as well as those who do not pay legal wages, which significantly pollute the environment or that have significantly affected indigenous peoples' territories. These specific criteria are applied to national and multinational companies with operations in the region as well as corporate foundations and donations from dubious sources.
- d. Existing information on the financial resources with which the Redlamyc account and will be available in accessible form on their website, especially in methods for accessing and understanding from the children and adolescents. They counted the contributions of member coalitions formed either qualified and suitable personnel, material resources, infrastructure and economic or financial funds.
- e. Redlamyc is not for profit, and if there is any surplus income or resources, this will not be distributed directly or indirectly between the coalitions members, but will have the sole intended purpose destination since its inception.
- f. executive secretary prepare an annual budget of the Network, which will be approved by the Regional Coordination Committee, which will be guided by the use of financial resources, in accordance with the provisions of the ongoing projects. This will present partial all an accounting every six months.
- g. fiscal year performance of the network will be the period between the first day of January of each year and December 31 of that year. The network must keep books organized on the basis of universally accepted accounting principles. Must have manuals, procedures and clear standards for implementation and financial monitoring.
- h. In ordinary meetings shall be established forever as the evaluation point agenda of the administration, information and transparency
- i. Should be clearly defined and published procedures and regulatory basis for calls for specific consulting, as well as the requirements and deadlines of the same, which will circulate the publicly, in the coalition members and the website Redlamyc
- j. The recruitment criteria of external audit services are the professional credibility, experience and relationship costs. The results of the external audit will be presented to all coalitions. Specifically, the Co nsejo Coordinates feeder and Fiscal ethical committee monitored to apply the recommendations.
- k. The Redlamyc must have a computer system in support of the information produced in the area of accounting, with proper maintenance and professional technical backup on physical safe.

[1] It is important to consider in the future shaping of the Caribbean separately both because of the amplitude as acquiring the sub region linked to the Mesoamerican countries. Also analyze the dynamics of the Caribbean Subregion by existence of the English, French, Spanish among other in coexistence with different native languages such as *Creole*.