

The 35th Meeting of the Pacific Alliance High Level Group was held in Mexico

The 35th Meeting of the Pacific Alliance High Level Group was held in Mexico city on July 7, with the attendance of the vice-ministers of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade from Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Peru.

The main goal of this meeting was to make progress in the review of the "deliverables" related to the fulfillment of the mandates of the Declaration of Paracas 2015, as well as in the drafting of the new mandates, in preparation for the XI Summit to be held in Puerto Varas, Chile.

During the meeting, the High Level Group (GAN) received reports from the Ministries of Finance on the progress and current status of the work plan 2015-2016 contained in Annex II of the Declaration of Paracas; was informed of the status of the recommendations and proposals of the Pacific Alliance Business Council (CEAP); and evaluated the progress of the works of the Technical Groups to date.

In other matters, the GAN met with a representative from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), who submitted the report on the situation status of the cooperation provided by that body to the Pacific Alliance Technical Groups.

Lastly, the Vice-Minister of Foreign Trade of Chile, Andrés Rebolledo, reported on the preparations for the 11th Summit of the Pacific Alliance to be held from June 28 to July 1 in Puerto Varas, Chile.

The Pacific Alliance is a regional integration initiative formed by Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Peru on April 28, 2011. The countries in this initiative combine a population of 216 million and account for 39% of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of Latin America and the Caribbean.