

JOINT DECLARATION

on a partnership between <the States Parties to the framework Agreement of the Pacific Alliance> and <Japan>

<The Republic of Chile, the Republic of Colombia, the United Mexican States and the Republic of Peru (“the States Parties to the Framework Agreement of the Pacific Alliance”)> on the one hand, and

<Japan> on the other hand, hereinafter referred to collectively as the “Participants”,

Resolved to strengthen historical ties of friendship, solidarity and cooperation among them;

Guided by the promotion of common values such as democracy, free trade, rule of law and respect for human rights among others;

Convinced of the importance of a free and open rule-based trading system for global stability, enhancement of the multilateralism, improvement of competitiveness and promotion of sustainable development and social inclusion;

Recognizing the importance of the Pacific Alliance as a regional mechanism for deep integration and considering the role Japan has played as an Observer State to the Pacific Alliance;

Referring to the “Strategic Vision 2030”, of the Pacific Alliance, and the “Initiative to Enhance the Connectivity between Japan and Latin America and the Caribbean”, as excellent starting points to explore areas of cooperation; and

Determined to increase dialogue and to deepen trade relations, investment and cooperation between the Participants in areas of common interest,

DECLARE:

1. The commitment to further deepen the partnership between <the Pacific Alliance> and <Japan>, based on the principles of democracy, human rights and rule of law, and on a shared vision on free trade and sustainable development.
2. The interest to deepen the cooperation in areas of common interest in order to facilitate free movement of goods, services, capital and people.

3. The decision to explore areas of cooperation and develop activities, which may serve the progress of the “Strategic Vision 2030” of the Pacific Alliance and the “Initiative to Enhance the Connectivity between Japan and Latin America and the Caribbean”, especially including areas such as:
 - a. Science, Technology and Innovation;
 - b. Trade and Investment;
 - c. Disaster Risk Reduction;
 - d. Green Growth and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs);
 - e. Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs);
 - f. Human and Academic Exchange;
 - g. Gender; and
 - h. Any other area of cooperation that the Participants decide by mutual consent.
4. The intention to promote private sectors’ participation in the cooperation projects and other activities that the Participants may decide by mutual consent.
5. The intention to hold periodical high-level meetings in order to take stock of the Action Plan of this Joint Declaration and revise this Joint Declaration according to the priorities decided by the Participants.
6. The intention of the Participants to designate the person in charge of managing the Action Plan at practical level, who will maintain close contact among them for the implementation of specific projects and report the program to the high-level meetings mentioned above.

Signed at Tokyo on 21st June 2019 and at Lima on 5th July 2019 in duplicate in the English language.

For Japan



TARO KONO
Minister for Foreign Affairs

For the Republic of Chile

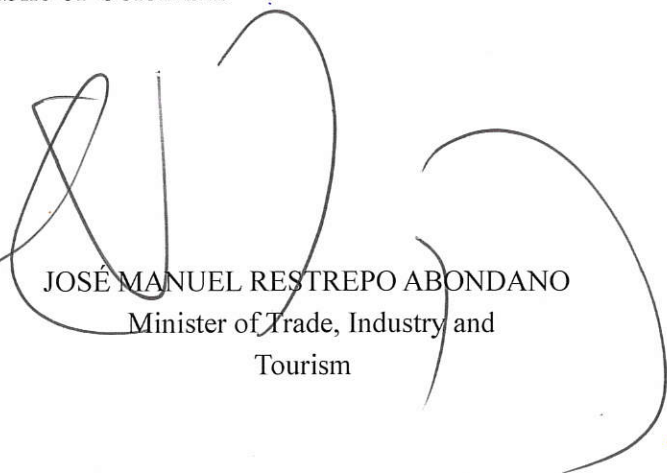
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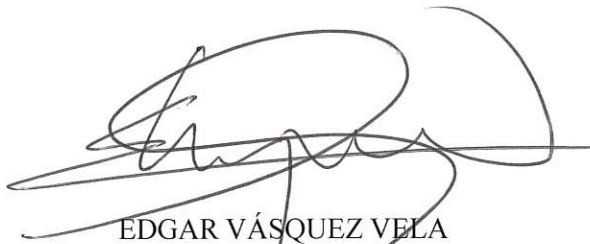


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Action Plan of the Joint Declaration
on a partnership between <the States Parties to the Framework Agreement of the
Pacific Alliance> and <Japan>

Based on the Joint Declaration on a partnership between <the States Parties to the Framework Agreement of the Pacific Alliance> and <Japan>, the States Parties to the Framework Agreement of the Pacific Alliance (PA) and Japan (hereinafter referred to collectively as the “Participants”) shared intention to implement the Action Plan in the following areas that identify mutually beneficial activities that address the priority areas reflected in the Declaration:

a. Science, Technology and Innovation

- Development of a partnership within the framework of the “JUNTOS” and “CONNECTIVITY” strategy; and
- Promotion and implementation of the concept of “Smart Cities”, through the use of information and communication technologies (ICTs). In addition, promoting exchange of best practices in the fields of cybersecurity.

b. Trade and Investment

- Promotion of trade liberalization, and of a free and open rules-based international trade system;
- Exploration of trade facilitation measures;
- Development of best practices for investment policies, including the improvement of the business environment, and conflict prevention, management and solution; and
- Evaluation of cooperation to expand the capabilities and potential of promotion agencies and companies and to promote the exchange of best practices amongst them, in order to promote trade and investment between <the PA countries> and <Japan>.

c. Disaster Risk Reduction

- Cooperation in disaster risk management, reduction, response, as well as recovery and reconstruction to build back better, through exchange of information, good practices and technological support, particularly in planning, development, regulation and better use of ICTs.

d. Green Growth and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

- Exchange of information and best practices for the implementation of the 2030

Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs);

- Development of joint projects on adaptation and mitigation to climate change, including the promotion and use of clean and renewable energies;
- Promotion of triangular cooperation between <the PA countries> and <Japan> for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs in Latin America and the Caribbean;
- Exploration of financing possibilities for investments in “Green Projects” in the PA countries for the preservation of the environment and promotion of sustainable growth; and
- Promotion of development of Quality Infrastructure such as those for urban transportation and ICT system, which would also contribute to sustainable development.

e. Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)

- Strengthening of the exchange of experiences on internationalization programs and tools, financing mechanisms, innovation and digital economy.

f. Human and Academic Exchange

- Promotion of the exchange of people between the PA countries and Japan in the framework of the “Juntos!! Japan-Latin America and the Caribbean Exchange Program”. Evaluation of the possibility to increase the number of places offered for guided visits to Japanese institutions and companies in the field of interest;
- Promotion of academic exchange for students, teachers and researchers;
- Development of Knowledge Co-Creation Programs to enhance technical knowledge and a scholarship program to train competent human resources of the PA countries, for a specific period of time, in specific areas that respond to the demand of each country; and
- Promotion of the study of Japanese as a foreign language in the PA countries.

g. Gender

- Development of activities to promote the economic empowerment of women by encouraging capacity-building and skills enhancement for woman at work and in business, at senior level of public and private sectors.