



SOCIAL ACTORS' PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES  
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### **Hemispheric Forum of Civil Society and Social Actors**

- Date: April 10 and 11, 2018
- Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Place: Sheraton Lima Hotel & Convention Center (Lima, Peru)  
Av. Paseo de la República 170, Cercado de Lima 15001, Peru

The Hemispheric Forum of Civil Society and Social Actors is a venue that provides each coalition<sup>1/</sup> the opportunity to assemble its members to exchange ideas and lessons learned on the themes of the Eighth Summit, as well as to finalize recommendations that will be presented at the Dialogue between Social Actors and High-Level Government Representatives. This Forum is part of a series of activities that are being carried out with different social actors on the days prior to the VIII Summit.

The format of this event will consist of a working forum for each coalition. Given the number of conference rooms available and the size of each one of the coalitions, the working forums will be divided over the two (2) days into four (4) groups of seven (7) coalitions each.

At the beginning of each one of the four groups, there will be a welcome session with a presentation of the work methodology. After that session, each coalition will go to the conference room assigned to it.

Additionally, English-Spanish bidirectional interpreting will be provided for working forums that so require.

It is important to highlight that each working forum is private and only members of each coalition will have access to the venue that corresponds to them.

We would ask participants to pledge to make these working venues welcoming and respectful places for all attendees, regardless of their national origin, ethnicity, gender, gender identity and expression, age, sexual orientation, disability, or physical appearance.

In this sense, we would recall that no harassment of any kind toward event participants or organizers will be tolerated. Examples of harassment include offensive comments, such as verbal

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1. For purposes of the Summit, a “thematic coalition” is understood as a group of at least 10 organizations and/or social actors with similar positions on at least one of the thematic pillars of the Summit. The main objective of the work in coalitions is to foster constructive dialogue and reflection among civil society and social actors in the Americas and their impact on the Summits process.

threats, intimidation, stalking, harassment through photographs or recordings, disruptive behavior at sessions or events, or unwanted physical contact or sexual overtures. Were any participants to violate these principles, the organizers of the Eighth Summit reserve the right to bar the participants involved from remaining, inviting them to leave without a right to continue participating, as well as to consider adopting the measures they deem appropriate to uphold the principles of pluralism and respect. Individual sanctions, where applicable, will be determined at the organizers' discretion.

The coalitions' members who have been approved to participate in the Hemispheric Forum of Civil Society and Social Actors are receiving information regarding their participation on this event from the coordinators of their respective coalitions.

The schedule for the Hemispheric Forum of Civil Society and Social Actors is as follows:

<b>Schedule of the Working Forums of the Eighth Summit's Official Coalitions</b>	
<b>April 10, 2018</b>	
<b>Group I</b>	
09:00 a.m. – 09:15 a.m.	Opening remarks by the host country
09:15 a.m. – 09:30 a.m.	Presentation of the work methodology by the OAS General Secretariat
09:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Coalitions' working forums
<b>Group II</b>	
02:00 p.m. – 02:15 p.m.	Opening remarks by the host country
02:15 p.m. – 02:30 p.m.	Presentation of the work methodology by the OAS General Secretariat
02:30 p.m. – 05:00 pm	Coalitions' working forums
<b>April 11, 2018</b>	
<b>Group III</b>	
09:00 a.m. – 09:15 a.m.	Opening remarks by the host country
09:15 a.m. – 09:30 a.m.	Presentation of the work methodology by the OAS General Secretariat
09:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Coalitions' working forums
<b>Group IV</b>	
02:00 p.m. – 02:15 p.m.	Opening remarks by the host country
02:15 p.m. – 02:30 p.m.	Presentation of the work methodology by the OAS General Secretariat
02:30 p.m. – 05:00 p.m.	Coalitions' working forums

**Note: The facilities of the Sheraton Lima Hotel & Convention Center are accessible for individuals with disabilities.**