

An agenda that sets the right basis for a stronger cooperation between the EU, Latin America and the Caribbean

On 7 June, the European Commission published its proposal for a “New Agenda for Relations between the EU and Latin America and the Caribbean”.

AIM welcomes a key cooperation for the achievement of EU and global green ambitions.

The European Commission has understood the relevance of the Agenda for the achievement of EU’s environmental goals. The green transition can only be completed if all regions move together towards common and ambitious goals. AIM hopes the foreseen dialogues on climate change, energy transition as well as the Memorandum of Understanding on energy will manage to set those goals and raise the necessary political will and commitment of all parties. AIM calls for that transition to be fair and inclusive.

AIM applauds the focus on youth and women.

The better inclusion of women and youth is essential in tackling inequities and building stronger and more resilient societies. AIM members in the Latin American Region have developed their own agendas for the greater and better involvement of those groups in their organisations and in societies as a whole. To do so, they have established their own networks, which are connected across regions. Through those, they will be happy to collaborate to the implementation of the EC objective of creating bi-regional networks for the inclusion of women and youth in all fields.

AIM regrets the lack of a specific pillar on health and the lack of mention of the potential of the social economy for the development of the region.

All pillars of the Agenda are closely interconnected and cannot be dissociated from each other. AIM calls on the European Commission and all parties not to work in silos. AIM regrets the lack of a specific pillar on health and hopes that all actions across sectors (be it trade, political, green, digital, etc.) will be put at the service of environmental and human health and wellbeing. AIM also regrets that the European Commission does not mention the social economy as a key actor in the development of Latin America and the Caribbean. The social economy is an important driver for social growth and the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in the region.

AIM members look forward to cooperating on implementing this crucial agenda for the region.



AIM

Healthcare and
social benefits
for all

AIM is the umbrella organisation of health mutuals and health insurance funds in Europe and in the world. Through its 50 members from 26 countries, AIM provides health coverage to 240 million people in the world and 209 million in Europe through compulsory and/or complementary health insurance and managing health and social facilities. AIM strives to defend the access to healthcare for all through solidarity-based and non-for profit health insurance. Its mission is to provide a platform for members to exchange on common issues and to represent their interests and values in the European and international Institutions.

Info: www.aim-mutual.org - Contact: jessica.carreno@aim-mutual.org