**Inter-American Network on Government Procurement**

**Summary of Closed Session**

Initiatives to be pursued over the period 2017-19

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| Training Initiative | Proposed by Country | Comments |
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| Contract Management | Panama |  |
| Sustainable Procurement | Panama, Peru | Panama indicated that Colombia with be hosting an electronic platform. |
| Value for Money | Peru |  |
| Public Procurement Professionalization | All |  |
| Use of Technology to Promote Public Procurement | Jamaica, Canada, Barbados, Guyana, Ecuador, Uruguay and Panama |  |
| Open Data/Contracting | Brazil, Chile | Brazil expressed an interest in being apart of the Working Group. |
| Spend Analysis |  |  |
| Public Procurement Methods and appropriate use | All |  |
| Developing Specifications and Evaluation Methodologies | All |  |
| Understanding MAPS | All |  |
| Technical Dialogue with Suppliers |  |  |
| Competitiveness & Competitive Dialogue | All | El Salvador raised this area and it was supported by all members. |
| Framework Agreements for Civil Works | Paraguay, Bahamas, Panama |  |
| National Supplier Registry | Peru |  |
| Understanding the Supplier Market Dynamics | Peru |  |
| Performance-based Procurement Management | All | Raised by Canada and Brazil and supported by all. |

**General Comments:**

All members of the Network indicated a need for technical assistance, including funding, workshops and online training in pursuit of the initiatives listed above. The various areas of focus were fully supported by the development partners and the members of the INGP to be undertaken over the next two years.