

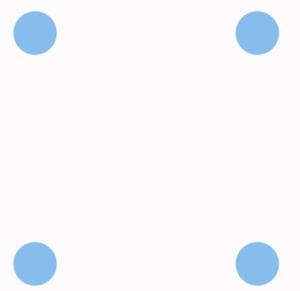
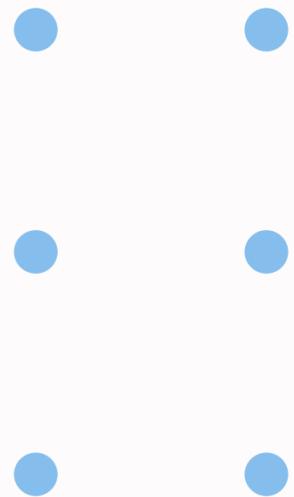


ASAMBLEA GENERAL ALIDE
SANTO DOMINGO-REPÚBLICA DOMINICANA
MAYO 12-14. 2025.



FINAL REPORT

General Secretariat
May 2025





The Fifty-fifth Ordinary Meeting of the ALIDE General Assembly, duly convened in accordance with its Bylaws, was held from May 12 to 14, 2025, at the JW Marriott in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, organized by ALIDE and Banco Agrícola de la Republica Dominicana (Bagriola), with the collaboration of Banco de Desarrollo y Exportaciones (BANDEX); the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB); S&P Global Market Intelligence and Texel Group.



AGENDA AND PROGRAM

The central theme of this edition of the Assembly was “From the Global Crisis to Comprehensive Security: Development Banking Shaping the Future of Latin America and the Caribbean,” which was analyzed from three perspectives:

Financial strengthening in the face of critical global situations: Strategies to mitigate impacts in LAC

On the road to regional energy security: innovative mechanisms to promote investment

Food security and agricultural financing: strengthening resilience through innovation

[See Final Program of the Meeting](#)

PARTICIPANTS



220 representatives of development banks and financial institutions and international organizations see final meeting program



21 Latin American and Caribbean countries: Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curaçao, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grand Cayman, Guatemala, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, St. Kitts & Nevis and Suriname.



8 countries outside the region: Germany, Spain, United States, France, Holland, India, Italy and Russia.



23 international organizations: AFRACA, Afreximbank, AIIB, ALIDE, CABEI, IDB, CAF, CARIB-EXPORT, CARICOM Development Fund, CIAT, EIB, FAO, FICS, IFAD, FMDV, FONPLATA, GCF, GIZ, IICA, REGAR, SECMCA, UNEP-FI and the European Union.

[See final list of participants.](#)

ALIDE NATIONAL COORDINATORS MEETING



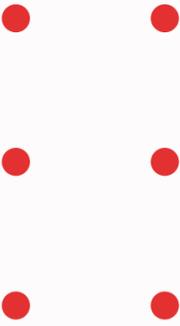
On Sunday, May 11, the ALIDE National Coordinators Meeting was held, chaired by Mrs. Julissa Vásquez, Secretary General of BANDEX, in her capacity as ALIDE National Coordinator in the Dominican Republic.

The General Secretariat presented the main study on the key topic of the Assembly: "From the Global Crisis to Comprehensive Security: Development Banking Shaping the Future of Latin America and the Caribbean"; ALIDE's Work Program for the period 2025-2026; the proposal for a Program for rapid action before natural and climate disasters; and the progress of the Diploma on Banking and Finance for Sustainable Development.

The National Coordinators highlighted the role of public development banks (PDBs) in supporting the crises caused by climate change and the adoption of the SDGs, through financing and technical assistance programs. This is a "powerful" role for development issues, in formalization and inclusion to solve inequality. Credit should be seen as a means, not an end, and support producers with financial education, internalizing the issue of credit. The BPDs should internalize environmental risks in their policies and risk management systems. It was considered important to analyze the way in which public-private partnerships could be generated to respond to a disaster.



ALIDE National Coordinators





This meeting is a great opportunity to share innovative ideas to address global challenges and promote the development of our nations. He also pointed out that agricultural credit faces three major limitations: the risk inherent in the activity, price volatility and unequal competition with other sectors.

PRESIDENT OF THE ASSEMBLY

Mr. Fernando Durán, General Manager of Banco Agrícola de la República Dominicana (Bagrícola), was elected President of the 55th Ordinary Meeting of the ALIDE General Assembly.



Mr. Jose Manuel Vicente
Minister of Finance
Dominican Republic

OPENING

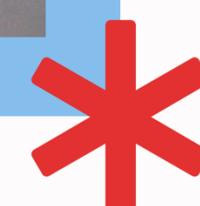
The opening was attended by the Minister of Finance of the Dominican Republic, Mr. José Manuel Vicente; the Vice-President of ALIDE, Mr. Juan Cuattromo; the President of Bagrícola, Mr. Fernando Durán; and the Secretary General of ALIDE, Mr. Edgardo Alvarez.

During his speech, the Minister of Finance emphasized that the role of development banks is key in supporting the financing of the region's development and its different sectors.

He also mentioned that in order to finance the future "development banks must lead the way in closing the climate finance gap through innovative instruments and strategic alliances.

He stated that "we cannot wait for development financing to become accessible; we must act with what we have and transform our institutions to respond to the challenges of the 21st century.

The opening session was attended by the Constitutional President of the Dominican Republic, His Excellency Mr. Luis Abinader Corona.



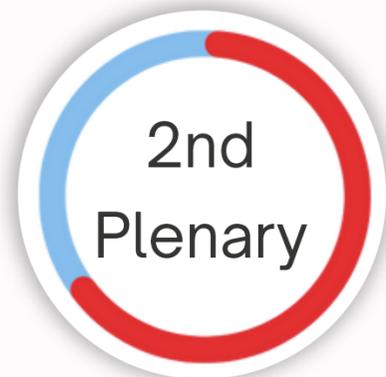
PLENARY SESSIONS



1st
Plenary

Financial strengthening in the face of critical global situations: Strategies to mitigate impacts in LAC

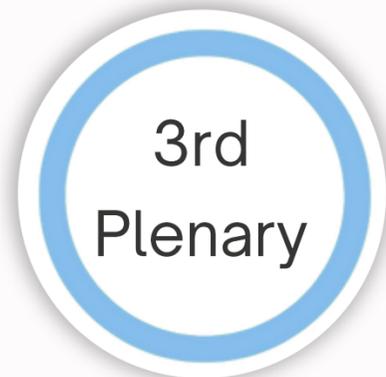
The discussion sought to highlight the crucial role of development banking in policy implementation, innovative instruments such as contingent funds and insurance, and in diversifying partnerships to promote a secure and competitive environment.



2nd
Plenary

On the road to regional energy security: innovative mechanisms to promote investment

The debate focused on the role of development banks in financing the energy transition, modernizing infrastructure and promoting regional integration for a more diversified and sustainable energy matrix.



3rd
Plenary

Food security and agricultural financing: strengthening resilience through innovation

This debate highlighted the impact of climate change on agriculture in LAC and the importance of sustainable agricultural practices, the adoption of advanced technologies and digitalization to improve the resilience of the sector, underscoring the role of development banks in financing this sector.

SPECIAL SESSIONS AND WORKSHOPS

During the Assembly, **11 sessions** were held, including **panels, conferences and presentations** that contributed valuable perspectives to the dialogue on how to finance economic, social and climate development in the region.

8 parallel sessions (workshops) were held to address key issues of relevance to development banking.

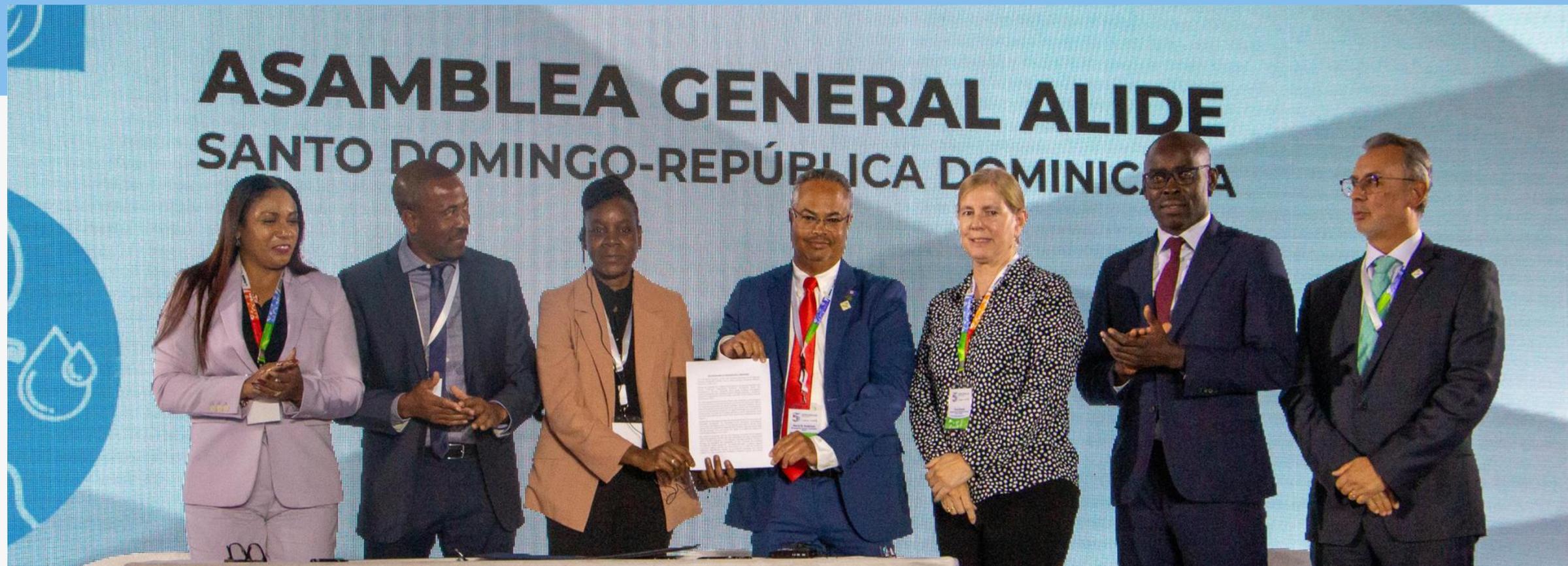
A proposal was discussed for the creation of a **program and fund** for rapid action in the event of natural disasters with the participation of development banks.

A session was held to review **two global agendas** relevant to the visibility of the public development banking system: **FfD4 (Seville)** and **COP30 (Belém)**.



CARIBBEAN DECLARATION

As a result of ALIDE's efforts to advance the integration of **English Caribbean** development financial institutions with their peers in Latin America and the Latin American Association itself, and in scope of the Caribbean region panel that took place within the framework of the Meeting: "Navigating geopolitical and climate challenges: empowering Caribbean development banks for comprehensive security", a **Declaration of Commitment to Collaboration of Caribbean institutions** with ALIDE and other cooperation partners was **signed**. [Read the full statement.](#)





INSTITUTIONAL MATTERS

The Institutional Affairs Session of the 55th General Assembly was held on Wednesday, May 14, chaired by Mr. Juan Cuattromo, Vice President of ALIDE. The General Assembly adopted the following resolutions:

- a) Approved the Annual Report and Financial Statements of ALIDE corresponding to fiscal year 2024.
- b) Ratified the incorporation of the following institutions as members of ALIDE:
 - Banco de Desarrollo Agropecuario (BDA), Panama, as an Active member
 - Superintendencia de Economía Popular y Solidaria (SEPS), Ecuador, as a Collaborating member
 - Fonprode/AECID, as an Associate member
- c) Approved the ALIDE Work Program 2025-2026 and the budget for fiscal year 2025.



d) He expressed the Association's recognition to the member institutions, international organizations, cooperation agencies and national entities that provided their support and collaboration in the development of ALIDE's programs and activities during the year 2024.

e) The following cooperation agreements have been signed:

- Signing of AFD-ALIDE Cooperation Agreement
- Signing MOU Rabopartnerships-ALIDE (FIDA Project)

f) Elected the Board of Directors of the Association for the period 2025-2027. [See the list.](#)

g) Venue of the 56th Meeting of the General Assembly. Approved to hold the Fifty-sixth Regular Meeting of the General Assembly (ALIDE 56) in Paraguay pursuant to the invitation extended by the Banco Nacional de Fomento (BNF).



ALIDE Awards 2025

During the General Assembly, the Best Practices in Development Banking and Bank of the Year 2025 awards were presented to identify and distinguish the best innovations in banking products and services in Latin America and the Caribbean, in order to recognize and highlight the work that institutions provide in support of the economic and social development of the countries in the region.

In this edition, the following programs/products received awards:

Category 1: Financial Products



Category 2: Technology Management and Modernization

“Plataforma Decision”



“Plataforma de Asesoría Técnica”



Category 3: Information, Technical Assistance and Social Responsibility

“Sistema Agroclimático SAC-BDP”



“Programa Transformando Comunidades”



Category 4: ALIDE Green

“Programa BNDES Azul”



“Bono Azul: Pesca y Acuicultura”



Category 5: Support for Women Entrepreneurs

*“Rompiendo Brechas: Acceso a
Financiamiento para el Desarrollo de Mujeres”*



Category 6: Extraregional Banks

“Platform GORODA.RF”

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*“Programa Generación de Operaciones
para la Acción Climática y Sostenibilidad
Ambiental en la Región SICA”*

 **BCIE**

The Bank of the Year 2025 recognition was awarded to:



With over 200 years of history, Banco Provincia operates as Argentina's development bank. Its financial strength, with assets of more than US\$14 billion and a delinquency rate of only 1.6%, reflects prudent and efficient management. In 2024, it achieved 128% growth in its loan portfolio, with a firm focus on productive financing, especially for MSMEs. In addition, 88% of its loans were medium and long-term, consolidating its role as a driver of development. Its commitment to sustainability and digital transformation positions it as a regional leader.



Fernando Duran
President of the Assembly
General Manager
Bagricola

DECLARATION OF SANTO DOMINGO

The “Declaration of Santo Domingo” on the Central Theme of the Meeting was read by the President of the Assembly, Mr. Fernando Durán, whose document is included in the following [link](#).

This Declaration recognizes the multiple challenges facing Latin America and the Caribbean, exacerbated by geopolitical tensions and global crises that threaten stability and deepen inequalities. However, it identifies opportunities in areas such as productive transformation, energy transition and technological innovation, which require a stronger and more adaptive development banking system. Governments and financial institutions are called upon to adapt to restrictive trade policies, promote regional and south-south cooperation, and ensure the financial inclusion of historically marginalized sectors such as women, youth and rural communities.

It also underscores the urgent need to address the challenges of climate change, highlighting the importance of rapid financial instruments, parametric insurance and contingent funds to deal with natural disasters. Finally, it calls for improved governance and coordination among development banks to mobilize capital and knowledge, which will enable the region to face current challenges and move towards sustainable and inclusive development.

THANKFULNESS

The General Assembly expressed its greatest appreciation to Banco Agrícola de la República Dominicana and its General Manager and President of the 55th Regular Meeting, Fernando Durán, for the magnificent organization of the meeting and the fine attention given to the participants during the meeting, extending this recognition to the staff of Bagrícola who were involved in the organization of the event and whose generous effort made it possible to achieve the success obtained, this being the unanimous judgment of the participants expressed at different times during the meeting.

¡THANK YOU, BANCO AGRICOLA!



CLOSING

The recently elected President of ALIDE's Board of Directors, Mr. Juan Cuattromo, and the President of the Assembly and General Manager of Bagrícola, Mr. Fernando Duran, also participated.

During Mr. Cuattromo's remarks, the fundamental role of national banks as the driving force for economic recovery was highlighted as a multiple security in this new order.

On the other hand, Mr. Cuattromo stated that “during these days we have shared important reflections on the role of development financial institutions in the face of the challenges of guaranteeing a more stable and inclusive future with integral security for all”, focusing on the importance of collaboration and cooperation, as well as the challenge of transforming this into spaces for concrete solutions.

Mr. Duran emphasized that "as I closed my inaugural speech by saying that creating synergies is the main role of development banking, today we can affirm with satisfaction that this Assembly has been an ideal scenario for strengthening existing alliances and forging new ones. Finally, he expressed his gratitude for the trust placed in the Dominican Republic as the venue for this meeting.



This is an instrument at the service of the tools we have to build as development banks to improve the living conditions of our people.

BILATERAL MEETINGS

During the Assembly, a bilateral interview service was provided to facilitate networking among participants. More than 100 meetings were held with the participation of close to 50 financial institutions.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

To access the conclusions and recommendations of the 55th General Assembly, [enter here](#).

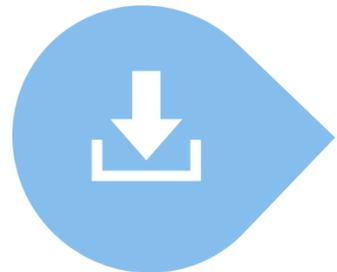
REPOSITORY ALIDE 55

Presentations, reports, videos and news from the Meeting are posted on the ALIDE website:

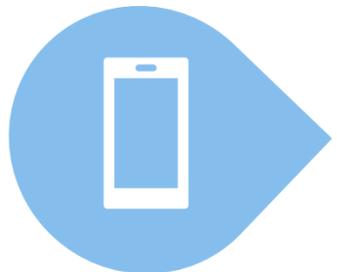
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APP: ALIDE EVENTS

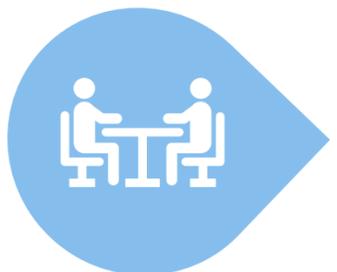
ALIDE launched its first official mobile application to modernize and improve the experience of participants in its events, facilitating the management of agendas, access to key information and networking, in line with international best practices in the organization of high-level events. The launch of this app marked a turning point in the digitalization of ALIDE events, projecting its use in future activities. Within this framework, the following results were achieved:



Adoption rate: 60.5% of participants downloaded the app
Total executions during the event: 4,686



Unique accesses to Assembly Agenda sessions: 1,124
Accesses to the Attendees section: 908



Meetings channeled through the app: 81
Meetings self-managed and confirmed via app: 25
Interviews conducted: 138, of which 25 were completely managed by the participants themselves from the app.
Institutions that used the app to self-manage bilateral meetings: +20



GALLERY



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