

Director del Departamento de Desarrollo Sostenible, Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID), Washington, D.C. (2001-2005)

- El Departamento de Desarrollo Sostenible del BID (ahora Vice Presidencia de Conocimiento y Sectores) era el foco de investigación sectorial y creación y difusión de conocimiento para el desarrollo. Tenía a su cargo el respaldo técnico al diseño y seguimiento de todos los préstamos, proyectos y operaciones. Asimismo el Departamento lideraba la identificación de mejores prácticas en políticas para el desarrollo y definía las políticas sectoriales del Banco.
- El Departamento incluía un gran grupo multidisciplinario de destacados profesionistas provenientes de 48 países realizando investigación para el desarrollo en diversos sectores.
- Carlos M. Jarque dirigió la elaboración de las nuevas estrategias del Banco, que se llevó a cabo por medio de grupos de trabajo interdepartamentales y con una amplia consulta pública. En 2003, presentó al Directorio y este aprobó las nuevas estrategias que, en conjunto, no tenían precedente en la historia del BID. Incluyen las estrategias para la consecución de dos metas primordiales, el Crecimiento Económico Sostenible y la Reducción de la Pobreza y Promoción de la Equidad Social; cuatro pilares: competitividad, integración regional, modernización del estado y desarrollo social; y un tema transversal: medio ambiente. Incluyó el programa de Implementación.
- El departamento coordinó la elaboración de la nueva estrategia de desarrollo del Sector Privado y el plan para su ejecución.
- Organizó múltiples eventos de intercambio del conocimiento (e.g. sobre Financiamiento de la Educación con todos los Ministros de Educación Pública de las Américas)
- Dirigió junto con el ILCE, un proyecto para capacitación a distancia de maestros de secundaria en América Latina en Matemáticas, Ciencias y Literatura y se elaboraron materiales digitales con mejores prácticas docentes en estas materias.
- Dirigió la definición del apoyo del Banco a los sistemas nacionales de innovación en LAC. Conformó un Consejo Consultivo de Ciencia y Tecnología y estableció un nuevo Sub Departamento de Educación, Ciencia y Tecnología en el BID.
- Impulsó las Alianzas Público – Privadas en infraestructura y en temas estratégicos como Agua y Servicios Ambientales.
- Impulsó la consolidación del FONTAGRO, un fondo Regional para investigación en Tecnología Agropecuaria.
- Participó en la Reestructuración de las Operaciones del Banco reduciendo costos y tiempo de aprobación.
- Presidió el Comité que coordinó los esfuerzos del Banco para apoyar la consecución de los Objetivos de Desarrollo del Milenio en LAC.
- Coordinó la representación del BID en las Cumbres de Jefes de Estado.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (2001-2005)

Development requires more than financial resources. It also requires pertinent projects and the creation and transfer of knowledge and experiences about the various issues that, together, have an impact on economic, social and political development. This includes traditional areas such as

agriculture and rural development, infrastructure and financial markets, and education and poverty reduction, as well as issues whose impacts on economic development have been recognized more recently. The latter include, for example, the role of institutions, governance and civil society; the contributions made by micro and small enterprises; and the negative impacts of natural disasters, HIV/AIDS, domestic violence, and social exclusion.

In recognition of the importance of understanding the intricacies of the relationships between all these topics and their impact on economic and social development, the Inter-American Development Bank created the Sustainable Development Department (SDS) as its “think tank” and expertise unit (now Vice Presidency for Sectors and Knowledge). SDS consisted of six divisions and five units (organized into three sub-departments) that were able to provide the Bank with technical expertise in most areas of interest. The three sub-departments were: Social Development and Public Governance; Private Enterprise and Financial Markets; and Education, Science and Technology.

SDS coordinated the development of 29 strategies covering all the major topics under its purview. In 2001, The Department took the lead in the development of a new strategic framework that was made up of two overarching strategies (sustainable economic growth, and poverty reduction and promotion of social equity), four sector strategies (social development, competitiveness, modernization of the State, and regional integration) and one crosscutting strategy (environment), endorsed by the Bank’s Board of Executive Directors in 2003. SDS also coordinated the design of the private sector development strategy, as well as the strategy for citizen participation in IDB activities, both of which were endorsed by the Board of Executive Directors in 2004 and the Board of Governors.

SDS provided the Bank with operational support in the design of projects and in the Bank portfolio. Specifically, SDS experts evaluated and developed project analysis methodologies and participated in project design to enhance the quality and to permit the monitoring of the implementation of projects. SDS provided technical and operational support in the design of projects through staff participation in project teams and in various project review committees. The Department also chaired the Committee on Environment and Social Impact (CESI).

SDS developed technical cooperation operations (including regional, trust fund, and microenterprise operations), operations financed by the Multilateral Investment Fund (MIF), and operations financed through the Social Entrepreneurship Program (SEP).

SDS expertise included the following development topics: Children and Youth, Civil Society, Disaster Risk Management, Education, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources, Financial Markets, Gender Issues, Health and HIV/AIDS, Indigenous Peoples, Information and Communication Technology, Infrastructure, Labor Markets, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise, Modernization of the State, Poverty and Equity, Private Sector Development, Rural Development,

Science and Technology, Social Development and Inclusion, Urban Development and Housing and Violence Prevention.

The Department led the management of regional technical cooperation projects and Trust Funds, including projects related to environmental issues, regional programs, and Summits of Heads of State.

SDS reviewed and provided comments on loan projects, TC operations, social entrepreneurship projects, IDB Country Strategies, Programming Memoranda, country and sector portfolio reviews, and other IDB project, program and policy documents.

SDS led the drafting of several publications on the impact of the IDB's loan and technical cooperation portfolio, including its effects on economic growth, social development and poverty reduction. These include: *The Millennium Development Goals in Latin America and the Caribbean: Progress, Priorities and IDB Support for their Implementation; The Path out of Poverty: the IDB's Approach to Reducing Poverty* and *Quebec Summit of the Americas: Strategic Programs, etc.*

A list of activities is included in:

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