

INTER-AMERICAN  
DEVELOPMENT BANK  
Public procurement network



## MAIN TOPICS

1. Networks

2. Inter-American Network on Government Procurement

3. Other networks

# Background

- Networks have been widely recognized by both scholars and practitioners as an important form of multi-organizational governance.
- The advantages of network coordination in both public and private sectors are considerable, including enhanced learning, more efficient use of resources, increased capacity to plan for and address complex problems\*

\* (Alter and Hage 1993; Brass et al. 2004; Huxham and Vangen 2005)

# Background

- Network is a group of three or more legally autonomous organizations that work together to achieve not only their own goals but also a collective goal. It is a form of social organization and it is a mechanisms of coordination
- Such networks may be self-initiated, by network members themselves, or may be mandated or contracted, as is often the case in the public sector. (Provan and Kenis, 2008)\*

# The Inter-American Network on Government Procurement (INGP)

- The network is an initiative comprised and steered by procurement agencies from thirty-two countries of Latin America and the Caribbean.
- The national heads of procurement (at national level, responsibility for the regulation, management and modernization of their procurement systems).
- Support institutions: Organization of American States (Secretariat of the Network), and The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and the International Development Research Centre (IDRC).



# Some history of INGP



# Objectives and Benefits and membership

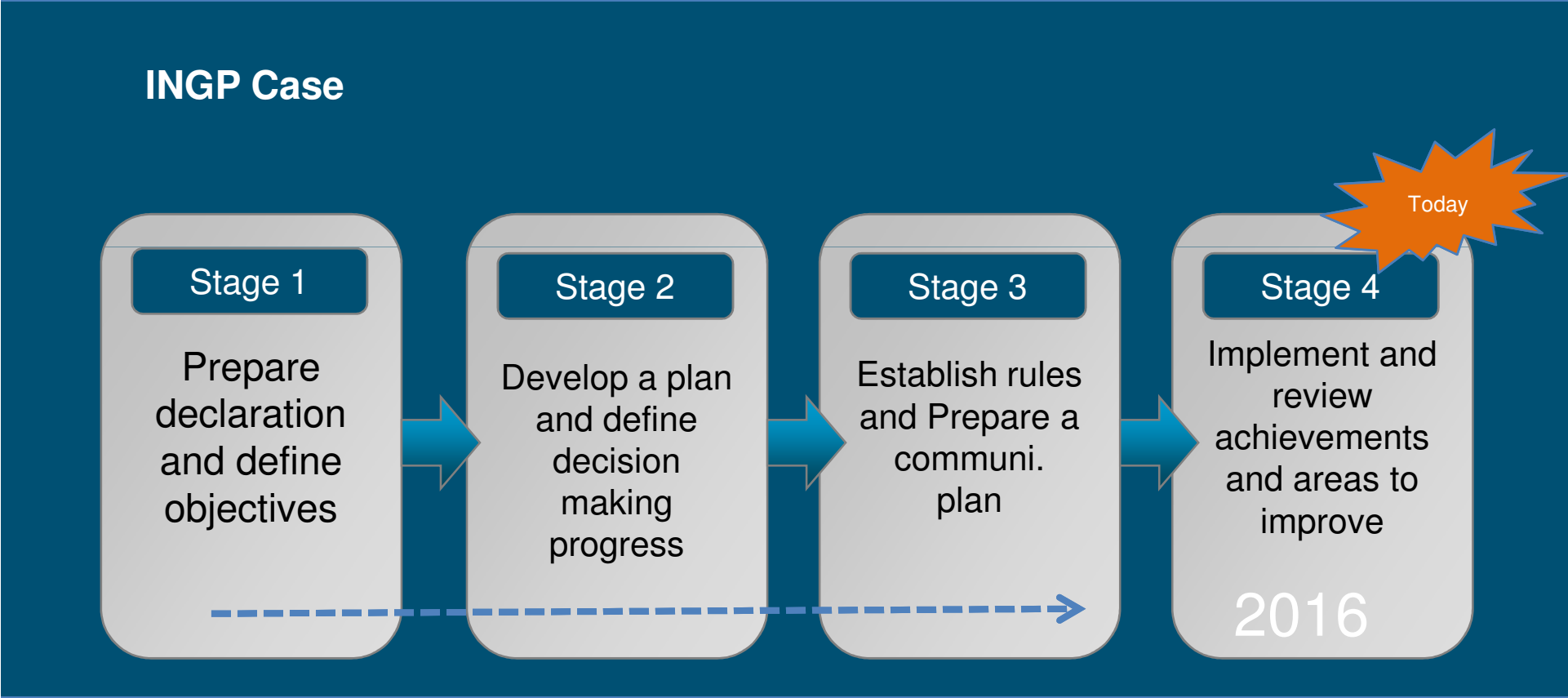
**Main Objective:** strengthen the capacity of each country in order to increase efficiency and transparency in government procurement

**Benefits:** Opportunities for cooperation and south-south collaboration (lessons learn and good practices)

Dissemination of information, access to experts, avoid duplication of efforts

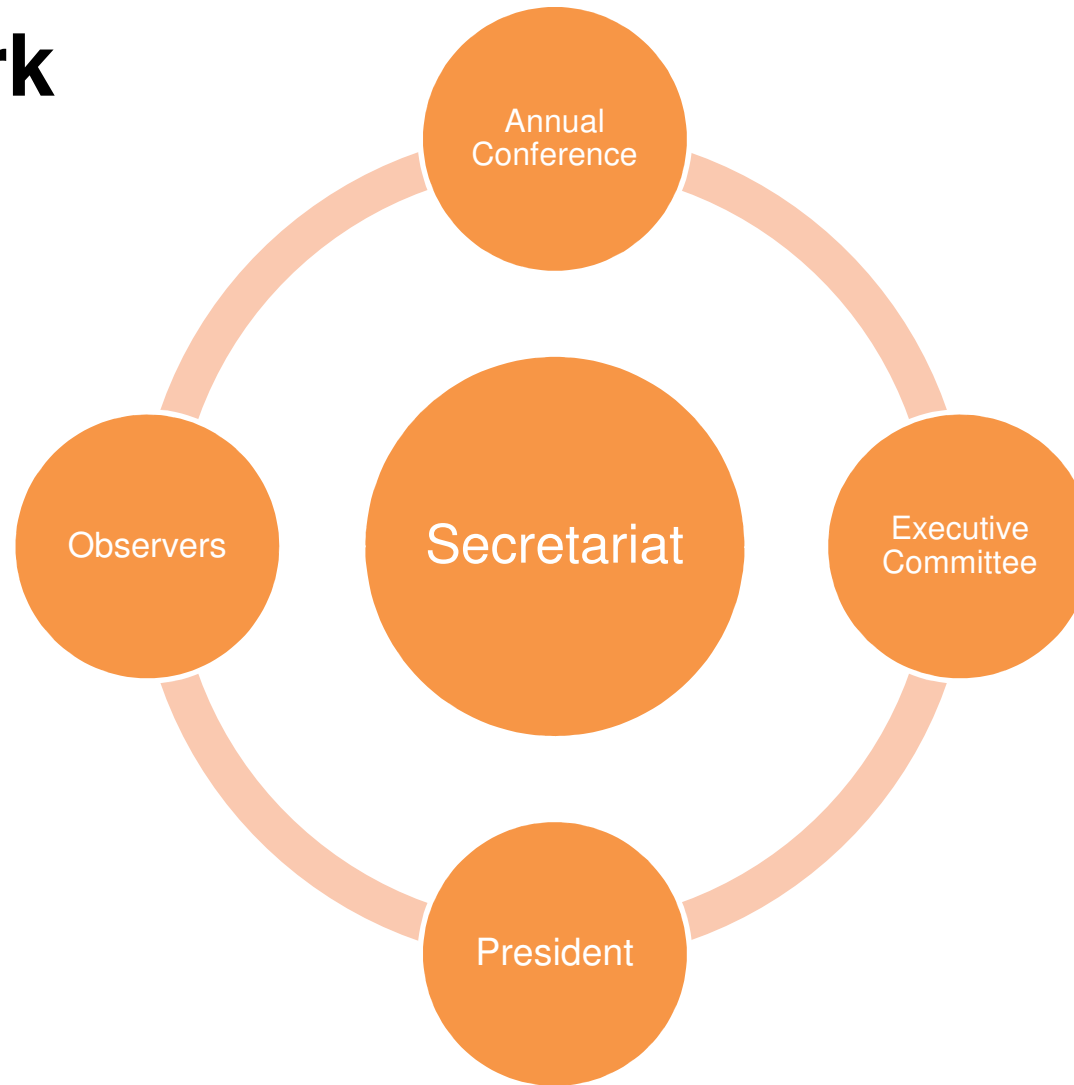
**Membership:** National public procurement entities that have the maximum technical responsibility for regulation, management and modernization of public procurement in their countries

# Steps for creating a Network





# Structure of the Network



## Other important points

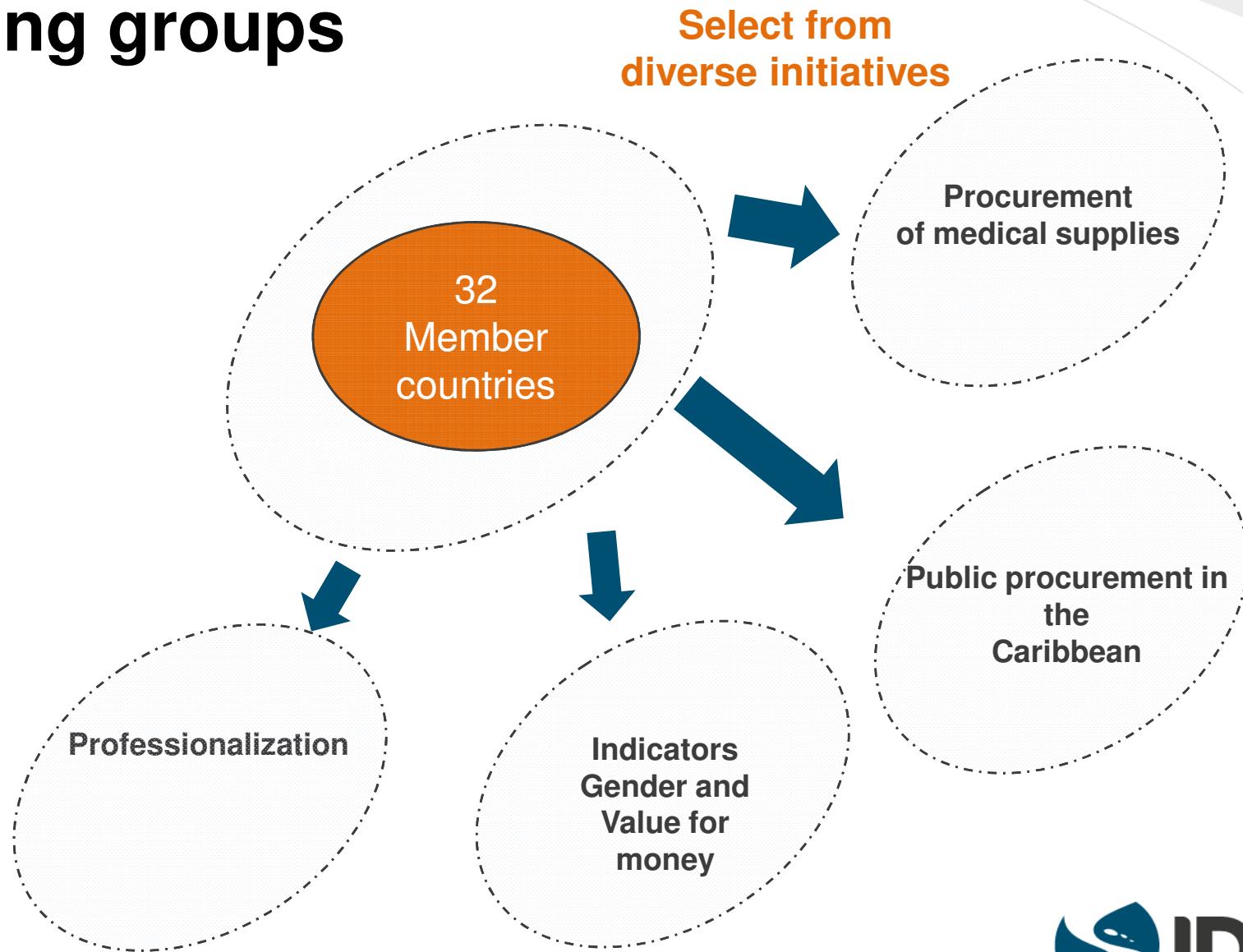
The network is organized by sub regions

- Carribean
- Southern cone
- Andean region
- Central America

- Communication Plan

Website, YouTube channel, newsletters, and thematic working groups.

# Working groups



# Public procurement in the Caribbean

- Sub regional meeting
- Committee
- LinkedIn group



## Other Networks

- Argentinian procurement network
- FOTEGAL
- FOCAL

**THANK YOU!**

