A consortium of Canada's Leading Research Universities
• CALDO is a consortium of nine leading Canadian research universities committed to international cooperation and student mobility

• CALDO co-operates with nation-wide partners abroad, such as foreign governments, government agencies, university organizations, NGOs and corporations

• CALDO’s main interests are in sponsored graduate students, bilateral student mobility and research collaboration

• CALDO provides a single point of assistance to international sponsored students and their sponsors
History

• Initially founded in 2011, by four institutions from various parts of Canada
• Top level institutions with comprehensive and complimentary range of academic capabilities, all U15 members
• Pragmatic partnership to facilitate access to opportunities abroad that are not open to individual universities
• Early focus on Latin America, solidified over time
• In Jan 2014, five new members join CALDO
• Feb 2014, CALDO established as a non-for-profit organization under Canadian law
Organizational Structure

- **Members Assembly**
- **Management Committee**
  - Lead by Chair
- **CALDO Secretariat**
  - Lead by Executive Director
  - Recruitment
  - Communications
  - Language (FSL/ESL)
  - Graduate Placement (GPS)
  - Undergraduate Placement (UPS)
Organizational Approach

- As decentralized as possible, small central secretariat (currently 3 people)
- Closely connected with member universities through working groups
- All relevant decision making undertaken by management committee
- Ability to adjust to priorities and organizational needs of partners abroad
- Open to collaboration within Canada
- Not every partner university has to come on board with every project
CALDO universities offer:

- Highest academic standards in research and teaching
- Comprehensive range of academic capabilities
- Complimentary academic strengths
- Proven track record of successfully managing international programming
- Regional and linguistic diversity
- ESL/FSL teaching unites at all 9 member universities
CALDO programming

- Incoming graduate student mobility
- Incoming undergraduate student mobility where of strategic value
- Collaborative international recruitment
- Collaborative research programs
- Incoming research internships
- Outgoing student mobility
Partnerships in Latin America

- Brazil
  - CNPq
  - CAPES
  - FAPESP
- Chile
  - CONICYT
- Colombia
  - CCYK
  - COLCIENCIAS
  - ICETEX
- Ecuador
  - SENESCYT
- Peru
  - PRONABEC
  - CAREC/CARELEC (pending)
- Mexico
  - CONACYT
- Uruguay
  - ANII
1) Student Centered Support
   • Graduate placement service (GPS) and undergraduate placement service (UPS)

2) International Differential Fees Discount
   • Always for PhD Students and sometimes for research Master’s

3) Central Invoicing
   • As required by partners

4) Reporting
   • Monitoring and evaluating of visiting students according to partner requirements
1. Help with application for placement at CALDO member universities
   • Provide information and guidance to all students on opportunities for study and research, from the initial inquiry to the admission stage.
   • Provide an assessment of admissibility at any CALDO University
   • Assistance with finding supervisor for PhD and Research Master’s candidates

2. Help during students’ stay in Canada
   • Guidance provided on practical aspects of living in Canada, such as advice on housing and transportation
   • Help with finding internship opportunities
   • Facilitating students’ networking and social integration
Undergraduate Placement Services (UPS)

1. Help with finding the right university
   • providing students with one-on-one advice
   • connecting through social media
   • supporting students to find the most suitable university for the program of their choice
   • connecting students to faculty members & CALDO Advisors

2. Placing students for academic studies

3. Assessing need for language training and arranging training

4. Arranging for internship placements or supporting students’ own search for internship placement
Achievements

• 444 undergrad students placed through Brazilian Science without Borders program at CALDO Universities

• 187 graduate students placed through Brazilian Science without Borders program at CALDO Universities

• FAPESP Projects for collaborative research between State of Sao Paolo and CALDO member universities

• Colombian recruitment tour in March 2014 with 6 CALDO universities

• CCYK universities in Colombia pledge to send 60 PhD candidates

• Currently 23 graduate students through Chile’s CONICYT program at CALDO Universities

• Joint seminar with Group of 8 from Australia in 2011
Prospects for Future

- Internet based network of Latin America scholars and students
- Collaboration on curriculum development
- ESL/FSL based programming
- Broaden research collaboration
- Language assistants program Colombia
What’s Next

• Chile seminar (May 14th-16th, 2014)
• ICETEX call (April 2014)
• Promotional event in Colombia with the Ministry of Education (Summer 2014)
• Chairs of ESL/FSL working group on explorative visits to Colombia and Brazil (April/May 2014)
• CALDO will be present in NAFSA (May 25th-30th 2014 in San Diego)
• Brazil liaison presence
• Organized recruitment tours
  – BMI Tour: Peru (April 29th to April 30th)
  – Education Tour: Chile, Ecuador, Peru (October 3-10)
  – Education Tour: Brazil 2015
• Enhancing CALDO website
Possible Areas of Interaction between CALDO and Canadian Diplomatic missions in Latin America

• **CALDO can regularly share data on**
  – Student flow statistics
  – Educational promotional activities
  – Recruitment activities in the region

• **Coordination and promotion of events**
  – Targeted recruitment seminars
  – Organizing pre-departure workshops

• **Linkage of CALDO on the Embassy’s website**

• **Obtain Market Research on:**
  – Education initiatives and programming
  – Emerging opportunities in education partnerships,
  – Research collaboration projects
  – priority areas of development

• **Periodic Telephone Conferences**
Thank you

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