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CONSEJO REGIONAL DE INGENIERÍA BIOMÉDICA PARA AMÉRICA LATINA
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MISSION:

"Promote Biomedical Engineering in Latin America and the Caribbean."

VISION:

To be a meeting point reference for Latin American and Caribbean countries to promote:

- a) Professional and academical meetings and events.
- b) Research and teaching.
- c) Interchange of students and teachers.
- d) Publication of books and magazines in the region.
- e) Networks for innovation and experience exchanges.
- f) Opportunities for new perspectives and initiatives to continuously improve Biomedical Engineering.
- g) Entrepreneurs and innovation.

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CORAL MEMBERS: (Updated 2011)

The membership of CORAL is composed of the following groups:

- a) National Societies of Biomedical Engineering, affiliated and in good standing with the IFMBE, from countries in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- b) National Societies of Biomedical Engineering, in Latin America and the Caribbean countries, that do not have a Society affiliated with the IFMBE, but share the common objectives of CORAL, with the provision that there cannot be more than one such society as a member from any one country. Such a Society must have at least ten members.
- c) Societies or joint IEEE Chapters of the Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society duly approved by the IEEE and in good standing with it, from countries in IEEE Region 9 (Latin America and the Caribbean).
- d) Sponsoring organizations are to be either a regional or international professional society, government agency, or nonprofit organization with a demonstrated interest on activities in biomedical engineering in Latin America and the Caribbean.



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The members of CORAL in December 2011 are:

National Societies:

Argentina	SABI – Sociedad Argentina de Bioingeniería Argentinean Society of Bioengineering
Brazil	SBEB – Sociedade Brasileira de Engenharia Biomédica Brazilian Society of Biomedical Engineering
Colombia	ABIOIN – Asociación Colombiana de Bioingeniería y Electrónica Médica Colombian Association of Bioengineering and Medical Electronics
Costa Rica	ACOBEM - Asociación Costarricense de Bioingeniería y Electromedicina Costa Rican Association of Bioengineering and Electromedical
Cuba	SOCBIO – Sociedad Cubana de Bioingeniería Cuban Society of Bioengineering
Mexico	SOMIB – Sociedad Mexicana de Bioingeniería Mexican Society of Bioengineering
Peru	APIB – Asociación Peruana de Ingeniería Biomédica Peruvian Association of Biomedical Engineering
Venezuela	SOVEB - Sociedad Venezolana de Bioingeniería Venezuelan Society of Bioengineering



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Chapter EMBS-IEEE (Updated 2011-)

Active	
Argentina	ARGENTINA SECTION CHAPTER, EMB18 Chapter
Brazil	BRASILIA SECTION JT CHAPTER, ED15/MTT17/EMB18 Joint Chapter
Brazil	SOUTH BRAZIL SECTION JT. CHAPTER, EMB18/CS23
Colombia	COLOMBIA SECTION CHAPTER EMB18 Chapter & Student Chapter
Costa Rica	COSTA RICA SECTION CHAPTER, EMB18 Chapter & Student Chapter
México	MÉXICO SECTION CHAPTER, EMB18 Joint Chapter
México	CENTRO OCCIDENTE SECTION CHAPTER, EMB18 Chapter
Panamá	PANAMÁ SECTION CHAPTER, EMB18 (New) Chapter
Peru	PERUVIAN SECTION CHAPTER, EMB (New) Chapter
Ecuador	ECUATORIAN SECTION CHAPTER, EMB (New) Chapter
Non-Active	
Chile	
Venezuela	
Potential New Chapters	
Bolivia	
Honduras	



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Committees

Ex President Committee: (Updated 2011)

<u>Chairman:</u>	Miguel Cadenas Méndez	(Mexico, 2008-2010)
	Máximo E. Valentinuzzi	(Argentina, 1991-1994)
	Carlos Péres da Costa	(Brasil, 1995-1996)
	Adriana Velázquez	(México, 1997-1998)
	Jorge Monzón	(Argentina, 1999-2001)
	Fernando Infantosi	(Brasil, 2002-2004)
	Susana Llanusa	(Cuba, 2005-2007)

Meetings CORAL (Updated -2011)

Next Meetings Administrative Committee of CORAL (Updated -2011)

CORAL XXIII-2012, CHILE.

CORAL XXIV-2013, PERU.

CORAL XXV-2014, ARGENTINA.

VI LATIN AMERICAN CONGRESS ON BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING,

VI CLAIB - 2014, ARGENTINA



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Past Meetings Administrative Committee of CORAL (Updated -2011)

CORAL IV-1993, Durango, México (XVI Congreso-SOMIB)
CORAL V-1994, Rio de Janeiro, Brasil (Congreso Mundial de la IFMBE)
CORAL VI-1995, La Habana, Cuba (I Congreso SCB)
CORAL VII-1996, Bucaramanga, Colombia; I Congreso-ABIOIN; Plan I
CLAIB
CORAL VIII-1997, Valencia, Venezuela ; II Congreso-SOVB.
CORAL IX-1998, Mazatlán, México; XXI Congreso SOMIB; I CLAIB

I LATIN AMERICAN CONGRESS ON BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

CORAL X-1999, Lima, Perú, 1er. Congreso APB-TUMI-99.
CORAL XI-2000, Florianópolis, Brasil; XVII-Congreso SBEB
CORAL XII-2001, Habana, Cuba; III Congreso SCB; II CLAIB

II LATIN AMERICAN CONGRESS ON BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

CORAL XIII-2002, Monterrey, México; XXV Congreso-SOMIB
CORAL XIV-2003, Cancún, México; XXV Annual International
Conference IEEE-EMBS.

CORAL XV-2004, Joao Pessoa, Brasil; XIX Congreso SBEB; III CLAIB

III LATIN AMERICAN CONGRESS ON BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

CORAL XVI-2005, Bogotá, Colombia; II Congreso-ABIOIN.
CORAL XVII-2006, Valencia, Venezuela ; II Congreso-SOVB.
CORAL XVIII-2007, Isla Margarita, Venezuela; IV CLAIB

IV LATIN AMERICAN CONGRESS ON BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

CORAL XIX-2008, Guadalajara, México; XXXI Congreso-SOMIB.
CORAL XX-2009, San José, Costa Rica (I Congreso-ACOBEM)
CORAL XXI-2010, Buenos Aires, Argentina (XXXII Annual International
Conference IEEE-EMBS).

CORAL XXII-2011, La Habana, Cuba; VI Congreso-SCB; V CLAIB.

V LATIN AMERICAN CONGRESS ON BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING



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Other meetings support by CORAL:

National Congress of :

- Argentinean Society of Bioengineering
- Brazilian Society of Biomedical Engineering
- Colombian Association of Bioengineering and Medical Electronics
- Costa Rican Association of Bioengineering and Electromedical
- Cuban Society of Bioengineering
- Mexican Society of Bioengineering
- Peruvian Association of Biomedical Engineering
- Venezuelan Society of Bioengineering
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EMBS – IEEE Meetings:

- 25 th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society. EMBC2003
- 32nd Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society, EMBC 2010
- Chapters EMBS- IEEE meeting (2011)
- The First EMBS/IEEE Latino American Regional Chapter chairs meeting (2011)



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NEW POTENTIAL CHAPTERS:

Honduras

Bolivia



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CORAL ANNUAL REPORT - 2011

1. CORAL and NATIONAL SOCIETIES REPORTS 2011

During the last year CORAL WG had a main activity which concentrated the most important efforts of the organization and its members: the V Latin American Congress on Biomedical Engineering (CLAIB2011). It was submitted a report to IFMBE news that offers a detailed information of its results (Attached at the end of this report).

In the last year two CORAL Administrative Committee (AdCom) meetings were celebrated. The first one, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, during the 32nd Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society. This was the XXI meeting of the AdCom and in its agenda were included the elections, according the bylaws, for the period 2011-13.

The elected directive of CORAL for 2011-13 is integrated by:

- Renato García Ojeda, Brazil, elected in 2007, as vice-president assume the presidency
- Guillermo Avendaño, Chile, elected vice-president
- Eric Laciár Leber, Argentina, Secretary
- Luis Vilcahuamán Cajacuri, Peru, Treasurer

In the meeting was agreed a change in the bylaws regarding the directive positions and the responsibility of Secretary/treasurer was divided in order to facilitate the job.

In the period, finished their mandate Miguel Cadena Méndez, Mexico, President 2008-10, Renato García, Vice-president, now President, and Martha Zequera Díaz who ended her labor as Secretary/treasurer, that was accomplished during two periods, since 2005.

The XII AdCom meeting took place in Havana, during the CLAIB. Something important to highlight is CORAL's membership at that moment:

One strategic working goal that was identified by CORAL's directive in the period is to increase and to support the creation of national societies in our Region and at the same time, encourage them to be integrated to CORAL and to IFMBE. The meeting underlined the importance of celebrating formal virtual meeting inter AdCom and also presented advances of the strategic plan for the near future of the organization.



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It was also point out the tied links achieved by CORAL and IFMBE and the strengthening connection between both organizations that allows accomplishing a greater collaboration and participation in activities and goals of both of them.

The WC2012 was put in the target of the main events in the next year and the members were called for the promotion of this main event in each country member. It was sent the budget proposal to attend this meeting and also a proposal to organize the Traveling Fellows program suggested and supported with IFMBE.

At that moment CORAL members were:

No.	Country	CORAL MEMBERS
1	Argentina	<u>Sociedad Argentina de Bioingeniería</u> y Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
2	Brasil	<u>Sociedad Brasileira de Ingeniería Biomédica</u> y Capitulo IEEE-EMBS Región Sur
3	Chile	Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
4	Colombia	<u>Asociación Colombiana de Bioingeniería y Electrónica Médica</u> y Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
5	Costa Rica	Asociación Costarricense de Bioingeniería y Electromedicina y Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
6	Cuba	<u>Sociedad Cubana de Bioingeniería</u>
7	Ecuador	Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
8	México	<u>Sociedad Mexicana de Ingeniería Biomédica</u> y Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
9	Panamá	Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
10	Perú	Asociación Peruana de Ingeniería Biomédica y Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
11	Uruguay	Capitulo IEEE-EMBS
12	Venezuela	<u>Sociedad Venezolana de Bioingeniería</u> y Capitulo IEEE-EMBS

Note: The national societies underlined are IFMBE members also.



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Brief report of these societies:

SABI – Sociedad Argentina de Bioingeniería Argentinean Society of Bioengineering

- One of their most important activities was accompanying the celebration of 32nd Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society Buenos Aires.
- They are organizing the XVIII Argentinean Congress of Bioengineering to be held in Mar del Plata, next September 28th to 30th in conjunction with the VII National Conference of Clinical Engineering.
- They have continued publishing their journal: Revista Argentina de Bioingeniería.

SBEB – Sociedade Brasileira de Engenharia Biomédica Brazilian Society of Biomedical Engineering

- They have celebrated XXII Brazilian Congress on Biomedical Engineering, held on November, 2010, Tiradentes, Brazil.
- They have continued publishing their journal: Caderno de Engenharia Biomédica da Revista Brasileira de Engenharia.
- They supported meeting TEC-SAÚDE 2010 organized by the Institute of Biomedical Engineering of the Federal University of Santa Catarina, on September, 2010.

ABIOIN – Asociación Colombiana de Bioingeniería y Electrónica Médica Colombian Association of Bioengineering and Medical Electronics

- They are organizing the IV Colombian Congress of Bioengineering and Biomedical Engineering, next September 21st to 24th.

SOCBIO – Sociedad Cubana de Bioingeniería Cuban Society of Bioengineering

- Its main activity was the organization of CLAIB 2011 and the national mobilization to achieve a wide national and international attendance. The Congress was supported with a wide participation of national professionals, institutions and organisms.
- They keep with the publication of their journal: Bioingeniería y Física Médica cubana.



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SOMIB – Sociedad Mexicana de Bioingeniería

Mexican Society of Bioengineering

- They are organizing the XXXIV National Congress on Biomedical Engineering, next October 5th to 8th, Ixtapa, Zihuatanejo.
- They have continued publishing their journal: Revista Mexicana de Ingeniería Biomédica.
- Member of the Society are leading a regional project to create a Latin American network to develop Medical technology management that had a meeting during CLAIB 2011.

SOVEB - Sociedad Venezolana de Bioingeniería

Venezuelan Society of Bioengineering

- Two persons attended CORAL AdCom meeting but they could not represented the organization because they did not have formal credentials. They informed that the Society had organizational problems in the last year.



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2. CORAL and CHAPTERS EMBS-IEEE REPORT 2011

- The main aim for 2010-2011 will be to enroll 4 new chapters in Region 9 and maintain local chapters with new initiatives in all the Regions.
- Focus to work with 9 chapters in potential risk to be dissolved before nov-2010 in all the regions.
- Reactive Chile Section Chapter and Venezuela Section Chapter
- Update the database of chapters situation “Overview of How the Chapters Are Doing”
- Workshop (exchange new issues for EMBS Chapter in all regions to Develop a strategic plan to strengthen EMBS Chapters 2011 (Regional Representatives). August – Buenos Aires
- Meeting of Potential New Chapters in ANDESCON 2010 IEEE September 2010, Bogotá
- To organize IEEE-EMBS Joint Chapter Workshop in the regions, for 2011 we have proposals from UK, Rumania and Zagreb.