Nearly two thirds of the 273 SSC actions, projects and programs in which Colombia participated in 2016 were executed under a bilateral modality. The remaining 90 initiatives were distributed, in a ratio of 2:1, between Regional SSC and Triangular cooperation. Although Colombia was active in both roles, it tended to prioritize its role as provider in bilateral cooperation, and as recipient in the triangulars.

Colombia partnered with multiple countries in its exchanges, including Argentina, El Salvador and Peru. Through these exchanges, Colombia shared its capacities in Social Policies, Health and Institutional Strengthening. When acting as provider, Colombia transferred its strengths in Culture and the Environment; and as recipient, it strengthened its capacities in Agriculture and Livestock. The combined initiatives allowed Colombia to contribute to the achievement of SDGs 16 (Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions), 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and 3 (Good Health and Well-being) through SSC.