



## GLOBAL FORUM LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN 2021

Day 1, Wednesday, September 22, 2021	
18:00 - 20:00	Welcome cocktail ( <i>invitation only</i> )
Day 2, Thursday, September 23, 2021	
09:30 - 10:00	<p><b>Welcoming remarks by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Leonel Fernández, former President of the Dominican Republic; President Funglode/GFDD</li> <li>- Kevin Casas Zamora, former Second Vice-president of Costa Rica; General Secretary, International IDEA</li> </ul>
10:00 - 11:30	<p><b>Panel 1: Global perspective: challenges and opportunities in an uncertain environment</b></p> <p><b>Presentation:</b></p> <p>Mariangela Parra-Lancourt, Chief, Strategic Engagement and Policy Integration Branch, (SEPIB), Financing for Sustainable Development Office (FSDO), United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mark Feierstein, Principal Advisor to the USAID Administrator</li> <li>- Raul Féliz, Professor at Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, Mexico (CIDE)</li> <li>- Sergio Bitar, IDEA International Advisory Board member</li> <li>- Wang Hua, Ambassador, Deputy Secretary General, China Foundation for Peace and Development</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Marcela Berland, President, Latin Insights</p>
11:30 - 12:30	Lunch break
12:30 - 14:00	<p><b>Panel 2: The pandemic and its economic and social repercussions in Latin America and the Caribbean</b></p> <p><b>Presentation:</b></p> <p>Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gerver Torres, Senior Associate, CSIS; Research Consultant at the Gallup Company</li> <li>- Jessica Byron, Director, Institute for International Relations, University of West Indies</li> <li>- José Antonio Ocampo, co-President of the Initiative for Policy Dialogue (IPD), Columbia University</li> <li>- Manuel Orozco, Director, Center for Migration and Economic Stabilization, Creative Associates International</li> <li>- María-Noel Vaeza, Regional Director, UN Women – Americas and the Caribbean</li> </ul>



	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Mario Baez, Chief, Policy and Oversight Coordination Service, Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Management, Department of Management, United Nations</p>
14:00 - 15:30	<p><b>Panel 3: Electoral rally, political cycle and democracy in Latin America</b></p> <p><b>Presentation:</b></p> <p>Daniel Zovatto, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean, IDEA International</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Denise Dresser, Professor at the Autonomous Technological Institute of Mexico (ITAM)</li> <li>- María Herminia Brandao Tavares de Almeida, Senior Researcher at the Brazilian Center for Research and Planning (CEBRAP)</li> <li>- María Victoria Murillo, Director of the Institute of Latin American Studies (ILAS), Columbia University</li> <li>- Patricio Navia, Professor at the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, New York University</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Gustau Alegret, Journalist and Director of the Press Club and “Cuestion de Poder” – NTN 24</p>
<p><b>Day 3, Friday, September 24, 2021</b></p>	
9:30 – 11:00	<p><b>Panel 4: Solidarity and regional cooperation</b></p> <p><b>Presentation:</b></p> <p>Ricardo Lagos, former President of the Republic of Chile</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ernesto Samper, former President of Colombia</li> <li>- Laura Chinchilla, former President of Costa Rica; Vice-president of the World Leadership Alliance – Club de Madrid</li> <li>- Luis Almagro, Secretary General, Organization of the American States (OAS)</li> <li>- Marcos Pinta Gama, Secretary General Ibero-american “ad interim”</li> <li>- Sergio Abreu, Secretary General, Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Margarita Seminario, Deputy Director, Americas Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)</p>
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:00	<p><b>Panel 5: Current fiscal challenges in Latin America</b></p> <p><b>Presentation:</b></p> <p>Leonel Fernández, former President of the Dominican Republic; President Funglode/GFDD</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Daniel Titelman, Director, Economic Development Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eric Parrado, Chief economist and General manager, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) Research Department</li> <li>- Gustavo García, Former Principal Technical Lead Fiscal Economist of the IDB</li> <li>- Jorge Roldós, Deputy Director, Western Hemisphere Department, International Monetary Fund (IMF)</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Luis Manuel Piantini, former Permanent Ambassador of the Dominican Republic to the WTC, UNCTAD, ITU and WIPO</p>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:30	<p><b>Panel 6: Looking toward the region’s future in a global context</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diane Quarless, Director, UN ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean</li> <li>- Ernesto Samper, former President of Colombia</li> <li>- Kevin Casas Zamora, former Second Vice-president of Costa Rica; General Secretary, International IDEA</li> <li>- Laura Chinchilla, former President of Costa Rica; Vice-president of the World Leadership Alliance – Club de Madrid</li> <li>- Leonel Fernández, former President of the Dominican Republic; President Funglode/GFDD</li> <li>- María-Noel Vaeza, Regional Director, UN Women – Americas and the Caribbean</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderador:</b> Daniel Zovatto, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean, IDEA International</p>
15:30 – 16:00	<b>Closing remarks</b>

**Academic directors of the Forum:**

**Natasha Despotovic**, Executive Director, Global Foundation for Democracy and Development (GFDD)

**Daniel Zovatto**, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean, IDEA International