



Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
Vice Presidency for Sectors and Knowledge
Research Department – Regional Policy Dialogue
TENTATIVE AGENDA

**XXXII MEETING OF THE NETWORK OF
CENTRAL BANKS AND FINANCE MINISTRIES**

October 6-7, 2010

IDB Headquarters, Enrique V. Iglesias Conference Center, Room CR2
1330 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20577

WEDNESDAY – OCTOBER 6, 2010

9:45am – 10:00am Opening by Santiago Levy, Vice President for Sectors and Knowledge, IDB

10:00am – 11:00am

GLOBAL RECOVERY OUTLOOK:

How serious is the global slowdown? Is it a slow but normal pace of recovery, a stalling recovery, or the beginning of a second, double-dip recession? Is the countercyclical policy arsenal in developed countries short of ammunition after near-zero interest rates and pedal-to-the metal fiscal expansion? Does the US have economic and political room to keep forging ahead, or is it entering a Japanese-like phase? Is the Eurozone lost as a global recovery leader, or worse? Are countercyclical policy disagreements in the G-20 the end of the global recovery romance? How troubling is China's growth slowdown? What is the outlook for capital inflows to Emerging Markets?

Moderator:

Santiago Levy, IDB

Speakers:

Peter Garber, Deutsche Bank

Vincent Reinhart, American Enterprise Institute (AEI)

11:00am – 12:30pm

REGIONAL OUTLOOK

The post-global financial crisis world implies a large reallocation of global demand from industrial countries to emerging countries and a large reallocation of world savings towards emerging countries and away from industrial countries. What are the implications of this "new normal" for Latin America's macroeconomic outlook? What are the opportunities and risks? What challenges does this situation entail for policymakers?

Moderator:

Eduardo Lora, IDB

Speaker:

Ernesto Talvi, Centro de Estudios de la Realidad Económica y Social (CERES)

Discussant:

Rodrigo Valdés, IMF

Country Roundtable:

Is the Regional Outlook consistent with countries' views?

12:30pm – 2:15pm

LUNCHEON ADDRESS (7th Floor – Executive Dining Rooms)

LAC ECONOMIES AFTER THE WORLD CRISIS: NEW MACROECONOMIC CHALLENGES AND THE OLD DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS FACED BY LAC

Host:

Santiago Levy, Vice President for Sectors and Knowledge, IDB

Keynote Speaker:

Andrés Velasco, former Finance Minister, Chile

2:30pm – 3:30pm

MAKING SENSE OF LATIN AMERICAN COMMODITY PRICES

What underlies seemingly erratic commodity prices? What can we learn about commodity prices in the medium term by looking at the experience?

Moderator: TBD

Speakers: Chris Gilbert, University of Trento (CIFREM)

Osmel Manzano, IDB

Discussant: Alejandro Werner, former Deputy Secretary of Finance, Mexico

3:30pm – 4:00pm

COFFEE BREAK

4:00PM – 7:00PM

LAC/G20 INITIATIVE (Closed IDB Meeting with Country Officials)

4:00pm – 5:00pm

GLOBAL REBALANCING FROM A LAC VIEWPOINT

How do plausible global rebalancing (or lack of rebalancing) scenarios after recovery impact trade and finance conditions for LAC? How does the new normal look for LAC's development?

Leader: Alessandro Rebucci, IDB

Discussant: Nelson Souza-Sobrinho, Central Bank of Brazil

Country Roundtable: **Does model/analysis capture countries' concerns with global rebalancing?**

5:00pm – 6:30pm

GLOBAL SAFETY NETS FOR LAC

How to build on new facilities emerging from the recent global crisis to weave an effective safety net with smaller gaps? How to react to current discussions in the IMF and elsewhere on proposals for global financial safety nets?

Leader: Eduardo Fernández-Arias, IDB

Discussants: Argentina: Hernán Lorenzino, Finance Ministry

Jorge Carrera, Central Bank

Brazil: Marco Galvao, Finance Ministry

Luiz Pereira Da Silva, Central Bank

Mexico: José Antonio Meade, Finance Ministry

Alfonso Guerra de Luna, Central Bank

Country Roundtable: **Other countries' perspectives on main decision issues**

6:30pm – 7:00pm

NEW ACTIVITIES AND WRAP-UP

Leader: Eduardo Levy-Yeyati, Universidad Torcuato di Tella (UTDT)

7:00pm – 7:30pm

RECEPTION – (Room CR2)

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THURSDAY – OCTOBER 7, 2010

9:00am – 10:30am

EXCHANGE RATE FLEXIBILITY WITH RESERVES ACCUMULATION AND CAPITAL CONTROLS

The substantial exchange rate flexibility of LAC countries has been credited with the reduction of its vulnerability to external shocks. However, even in the most flexible regimes there has been rapid and sustained accumulation of international reserves, and in some cases controls on capital inflows. In fact, after a short respite in the most acute phase of the global crisis, reserve accumulation has resumed in earnest without any end in sight. Is this an indication of lack of commitment to flexibility or commitment to some sort of contingent flexibility? Does accumulation result from a fear of appreciation, or is it the expression of a deliberate prudential policy? How are the tradeoffs underlying exchange rate flexibility and changes in international reserves evaluated and interventions decided upon in actual country policymaking? How are capital controls factored into the equation?

Moderator: TBD

Country Panel: Luis Felipe Céspedes, Central Bank of Chile
Hernando Vargas, Central Bank of Colombia
Wesley Hughes, Ministry of Finance and the Public Service, Jamaica
Renzo Rossini, Central Bank of Peru
TBD

10:30am – 11:00am

COFFEE BREAK

11:00am – 12:15pm

THE NEW WAVE OF FINANCIAL REFORM

The global financial crisis has sparked a significant rethink of financial system regulation around the world. Proposals have included widening the set of activities subject to stricter regulations, limiting the size and complexity of financial institutions to contain “too big to fail” problems, further systemic risk identification and enhanced capital requirements, anti-cyclical capital and/or liquidity provisions, a new (Basel III) Capital Accord and rules on simple leverage. At the same time, Latin America’s financial systems escaped from the crisis relatively unscathed, although somewhat more stress was felt in the Caribbean. How relevant are these regulatory innovations for LAC? Has LAC learned the lessons from its own turbulent financial history that the rest of the world is only now catching up to? What are the areas in which LAC financial norms remain deficient or could be improved? Given the region’s current relatively strong macroeconomic performance and likely continued asset-price inflation, what should be done to contain future risks in LAC financial systems?

Moderator: Andrew Powell, IDB

Speakers: Silvina Vatnick, Centro para la Estadística Financiera (CEF)

Discussants: Alexander Tombini, Central Bank of Brazil

Kevin Cowan, Central Bank of Chile

Pilar L'Hotellerie, Central Bank of Spain

12:15pm – 2:30pm

WORKING LUNCH (Room Las Americas, 7th Floor)

THE AGE OF PRODUCTIVITY

Low productivity and slow productivity growth weigh down the region more than specific impediments in the process of factor accumulation. This book takes a major step in the direction of designing and implementing a coherent set of policies to unleash a country’s productive potential. It offers suggestions based on a sound and at times eye-opening diagnosis that dares to break with convention.

Moderator: Ernesto Stein, IDB
Speaker: Carmen Pagés, IDB
Discussant: Andrés Velasco, Former Finance Ministry, Chile

Country Roundtable: **Does the IDB Report “The Age of Productivity” challenge countries’ views? What is the value added of its policy suggestions?**

AGENDA FOR CHIEF ECONOMISTS

Ideas for future meetings

Moderator: Eduardo Fernández-Arias, IDB

2:30PM – 5:00PM POLICY SEMINAR (Open to Public)

LATIN AMERICA’S ECONOMIC FUTURE: PROSPECTS AND CHALLENGES

Co-organized by Brookings Institution and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

Place: IDB Enrique V. Iglesias Conference Center, Room CR2* 1330 New York Ave., NW, Washington, DC20577

2:30 PM WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Eduardo Fernández-Arias, Senior Advisor, Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank
Mauricio Cárdenas, Senior Fellow and Director, Latin America Initiative at Brookings Institution

2:45 PM PANEL ONE: ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES FROM LATIN AMERICA

Lead Speaker:

Mauricio Cárdenas, Senior Fellow and Director, Latin America Initiative, Brookings Institution

Moderator:

Nancy Birdsall, President, Center for Global Development

Panelists:

Ilan Goldfajn, Chief Economist, Itaú Unibanco, Brazil

Andrés Velasco, Former Minister of Finance, Chile

Alejandro Werner, Former Deputy Secretary of Finance, Mexico

3:45 PM COFFEE BREAK

4:00 PM PANEL TWO: GLOBAL FINANCIAL SAFETY NETS

Lead Speakers:

Eduardo Levy-Yeyati, Professor of Economics, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella and Director of Economics, CIPPEC

Eduardo Fernández-Arias, Senior Advisor, Research Department, Inter-American Development Bank

Moderator:

Eduardo Borensztein, Regional Economic Advisor, Inter-American Development Bank

Panelists:

Guillermo Calvo, Professor of Economics, International and Public Affairs, Columbia University

Steven Kamin, Deputy Director of the Division of International Finance, Federal Reserve Board

Nicolás Eyzaguirre, Director of the Western Hemisphere, International Monetary Fund



XXXII REUNIÓN DE LA RED DE BANCOS CENTRALES Y MINISTERIOS DE FINANZAS

06-07 de octubre, 2010
Centro de Conferencias Enrique V. Iglesias, Sala CR2
1330 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20577

MIÉRCOLES 06 de OCTUBRE, 2010

- 9:45am – 10:00am **APERTURA:** Santiago Levy, Vicepresidente, Sectores y Conocimiento, Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (IDB)
- 10:00am – 11:00am **PERSPECTIVAS DE LA RECUPERACIÓN MUNDIAL**

Moderador: Santiago Levy, IDB
Oradores: Peter Garber, Deutsche Bank
Vincent Reinhart, American Enterprise Institute (AEI)
- 11:00am – 12:30pm **PERSPECTIVAS REGIONALES Y DESAFÍOS DE POLÍTICA ECONÓMICA**

Moderador: Eduardo Lora, IDB
Orador: Ernesto Talvi, CERES
Comentaristas: Rodrigo Valdés, FMI
Mesa Redonda de Países: ¿La Perspectiva Regional está en consonancia con la visión de los países?
- 12:30pm – 2:15pm **ALMUERZO (Comedores Ejecutivos, Piso 7)**
LAS ECONOMÍAS LATINOAMERICANAS DESPUÉS DE LA CRISIS MUNDIAL: LOS NUEVOS DESAFÍOS MACROECONÓMICOS Y VIEJOS PROBLEMAS DE DESARROLLO QUE AMÉRICA LATINA ENFRENTA

Anfitrión: Santiago Levy, Vicepresidente, Sectores y Conocimiento, IDB
Orador de honor: Andrés Velasco, Ex Ministro de Finanzas, Chile
- 2:30n – 3:30pm **DÁNDOLE SENTIDO A LOS PRECIOS DE LOS PRODUCTOS BÁSICOS DE AMÉRICA LATINA**

Moderador: Por determinar
Panelistas: Chris Gilbert, Universidad de Trento (CIFREM)
Osmel Manzano, IDB
Comentarista: Alejandro Werner, Ex Sub-Secretario de Hacienda, México
- 3:30pm – 4:00pm **RECESO**

4:00PM – 7:00PM INICIATIVA LAC/G20 (Reunión cerrada con oficiales de país)

4:00pm – 5:00pm

REEQUILIBRIO MUNDIAL DESDE UNA PERSPECTIVA DE AMERICA LATINA Y EL CARIBE

Orador: Alessandro Rebucci, BID

Comentarista: Nelson Souza-Sobrinho, Banco Central de Brasil

Mesa Redonda de Países: ¿El modelo /análisis del reequilibrio global captura las preocupaciones de los países?

5:00pm – 6:30pm

REDES GLOBALES DE SEGURIDAD FINANCIERA

Moderador: Eduardo Fernández-Arias, BID

Comentaristas: Argentina: Hernán Lorenzino, Ministerio de Economía

Jorge Carrera, Banco Central

Brasil: Marco Galvão, Ministerio de Hacienda

Luiz Pereira Da Silva, Banco Central

México: José Antonio Meade, Secretaría de Hacienda

Alfonso Guerra de Luna, Banco de México

Mesa Redonda de Países: Perspectivas de otros países sobre las principales decisiones

6:30pm – 7:00pm

MIRANDO AL FUTURO - CIERRE

Orador: Eduardo Levy-Yeyati, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (UTDT)

7:00pm – 7:30pm

RECEPCIÓN

CONTINUACIÓN AGENDA TENTATIVA

XXXII REUNIÓN DE LA RED DE BANCOS CENTRALES Y MINISTERIOS DE FINANZAS

JUEVES 07 de OCTUBRE, 2010

9:00am – 10:30am **LA FLEXIBILIDAD CAMBIARIA CON ACUMULACIÓN DE LAS RESERVAS Y CONTROLES DE
CAPITALES**

Moderador: Por determinar
Panel de Países: Luis Felipe Céspedes, Banco Central de Chile
Hernando Vargas, Banco de la República
Wesley Hughes, Ministerio de Finanzas, Jamaica
Renzo Rossini, Banco Central de la Reserva del Perú
Por determinar

10:30am – 11:00am **RECESO**

11:00am – 12:15pm **LA NUEVA OLA DE REFORMA FINANCIERA**

Moderadores: Andrew Powell, IDB
Orador: Silvina Vatnick, Centro para la Estabilidad Financiera (CEF)
Panel: Alexander Tombini, Banco Central de Brasil
Kevin Cowan, Banco Central Bank de Chile
Pilar L'Hotellerie, Banco de España

12:15pm – 2:30pm **ALMUERZO DE TRABAJO** (Salón Las Américas, Piso 7)
(Países miembros de la Red únicamente)

LA ERA DE LA PRODUCTIVIDAD

Moderador: Ernesto Stein, BID
Orador: Carmen Pagés, BID
Comentarista: Andrés Velasco, Ex Ministro de Finanzas de Chile

Mesa Redonda de Países: El informe del BID, "**La Era de la Productividad**" ¿Representa un reto en la visión de los países? ¿Cuál es el valor agregado de las sugerencias de las políticas?

AGENDA PARA LA RED DE BANCOS CENTRALES Y MINISTROS DE FINANZAS:

Ideas para las reuniones futuras

Moderador: Eduardo Fernández-Arias, BID

2:30PM – 5:00PM SEMINARIO DE POLITICAS (Abierto al público)

FUTURO ECONÓMICO DE AMÉRICA LATINA: PERSPECTIVAS Y DESAFÍOS

Co-organizado por el Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID) y el Instituto Brookings

*Lugar: Centro de Conferencias del BID Enrique V. Iglesias, Room CR2 * 1330 New York Ave., NW, Washington, DC*

2:30pm – 2:45pm

APERTURA:

Eduardo Fernández-Arias, Asesor Senior, Departamento de Investigación, Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID)
Mauricio Cárdenas, Director de la Iniciativa Latinoamericana del Instituto Brookings

2:45pm – 3:45pm

PERSPECTIVA ECONÓMICA DE AMÉRICA LATINA: DISCUSIÓN DEL REPORTE DE BROOKINGS

Orador:

Mauricio Cárdenas, Director de la Iniciativa Latinoamericana del Instituto Brookings

Moderador:

Nancy Birdsall, Presidente, Center for Global Development

Panel de expertos:

Ilan Goldfajn, Ilan Goldfajn, Economista Jefe, Itaú Unibanco, Brasil
Andres Velasco, Ex Ministro de Finanzas, Chile
Alejandro Werner, Ex Sub-Secretario de Hacienda, México

3:45pm – 4:00pm

RECESO

4:00pm – 5:00pm

REDES GLOBALES DE SEGURIDAD FINANCIERA: UNA MIRADA DESDE AMÉRICA LATINA

Oradores:

Eduardo Levy-Yeyati, Profesor, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (UTDT) y
Eduardo Fernández-Arias, Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID)

Moderador:

Eduardo Borensztein, Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID)

Panel de expertos:

Guillermo Calvo, Profesor de Economía y Relaciones públicas e internacionales, Universidad de Columbia
Nicolás Eyzaguirre, Director Departamento del Hemisferio Occidental, Fondo Monetario Internacional (FMI)
Steven Kamin, Director Adjunto de la División de Finanzas Internacionales de la Reserva Federal