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and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME¹

Wednesday, 26 April

(Raúl Prebisch Conference Room)

- 8.30–9.15 a.m. Opening ceremony
- José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
 - Paula Narváz, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council and Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations
 - Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations
 - Santiago Cafiero, Minister of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship of Argentina, the country serving as Chair of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development
- 9.15–9.20 a.m. Message from Volker Türk, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, to mark the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (video message)
- 9.20–9.30 a.m. Adoption of the agenda
- 9.30–10.00 a.m. **Presentation of the document *Halfway to 2030 in Latin America and the Caribbean: progress and recommendations for acceleration*, sixth report on regional progress and challenges in relation to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in Latin America and the Caribbean**
- José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of ECLAC



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10.00 a.m.–Noon Statements by delegations of Latin America and the Caribbean: “Accelerating the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at all levels”

Moderator: Chair of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (Argentina)

Noon–1 p.m. **Strategies to advance implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the Caribbean**

Moderator: Diane Quarless, Chief of the ECLAC subregional headquarters for the Caribbean

- Ashni K. Singh, Minister of Finance of Guyana
- Carlos James, Minister of Tourism, Civil Aviation, Sustainable Development and Culture of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- Shantal Munro-Knight, Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister of Barbados
- Benito Wheatley, Special Envoy of the Premier of the British Virgin Islands (to be confirmed)
- Winston Dookeran, Secretary-General of Euclid University

Statements by delegations

1–3 p.m. **Break**

3–5 p.m. **Contribution of the United Nations sustainable development system in Latin America and the Caribbean**

Moderator: Roberto Valent, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean of the Development Coordination Office (DCO) of the United Nations

Presentation of the 2022 system-wide results report of the Regional Collaborative Platform for Latin America and the Caribbean, by José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of ECLAC, and Michelle Muschett, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), in their capacity as Vice-Chairs of the Regional Collaborative Platform for Latin America and the Caribbean

Statements by delegations

Thursday, 27 April

9–10.30 a.m. **Panel 1: SDG 6 - Clean water and sanitation**

Moderator: Carolina González, Undersecretary of International Affairs and Federal Cooperation in the Ministry of Social Development of Argentina

- Freddy Mamani, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Plurinational State of Bolivia (by video link)
- Pável Isa Contreras, Minister of Economic Affairs, Planning and Development of the Dominican Republic

- Mario Lubetkin, Regional Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- Daniel Tugues, Deputy General Manager of Aguas Andinas
- Ruth Spencer, Yale International Alliance, Antigua and Barbuda

10.30–11.15 a.m. Statements by delegations

11.15 a.m.–12.30 p.m. **Panel 2: SDG 7 - Affordable and clean energy**

Moderator: Chair of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (Argentina)

- Walter Verri, Vice-Minister for Industry, Energy and Mining of Uruguay
- Andrés Rebolledo, Executive Secretary of the Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE)
- Germán Carmona, Academic at the Institute of Engineering of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)
- Kaira Reece, Sustainable Development Secretary, Trade Union Confederation of the Americas (CSA)

12.30–1 p.m. Statements by delegations

1–2.30 p.m. Break

2.30–4 p.m. **Panel 3: Goal 9 - Industry, innovation and infrastructure**

Moderator: Michelle Muschett, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

- Nicolás Grau, Minister of Economic Affairs, Development and Tourism of Chile
- Clelia Hernández, Director-General of the Nuevo León 4.0 Initiative of Mexico
- Perpétua Almeida, Director of the Brazilian Agency for Industrial Development (ABDI)
- Manuel Albaladejo, Regional Representative for Argentina, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
- Brígida Fernández Rubio, Director General of the Development Planning Committee of the State of Baja California, Mexico
- Hernán Ceballos, Manager of iNNpulsa Colombia
- Fernando Saiz, Director of Public Affairs and Regulation of Telefónica Chile
- María-Noel Vaeza, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)
- Dulce Patricia Torres Sandoval, Member of the General Coordination Committee of Coordinadora Nacional de Mujeres Indígenas (CONAMI), Focal Point of the Continental Network of Indigenous Women of the Americas (ECMIA), Mexico

4–4.30 p.m. Statements by delegations

4.30–6 p.m.

Panel 4: SDG 11 - Sustainable cities and communities

Moderator: Santiago Maggioti, Minister of Territorial Development and Habitat of Argentina and President of the Forum of Ministers and Highest Authorities of Housing and Urbanism of Latin America and the Caribbean (MINURVI)

- Wendy Molina Varela, Vice-Minister of Planning, Ministry of Housing and Human Settlements of Costa Rica
- Elkin Velásquez, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)
- María Soledad Cisternas Reyes, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General on Disability and Accessibility
- Armando Enrique Navarrete, Chief Economist of the Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI)
- Augusto Du Bois Goitia, Second Vice-Chair of the Inter-American Housing Union (UNIAPRAVI)
- Augusto Barrera Guarderas, Director of the Centre for Knowledge Transfer and Social Innovation (CETCIS) of the Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador
- Arturo Noel Noyola Muñoz, Red Nacional de Juventudes Afromexicanas (JUAFRO), Mexico

6–6.30 p.m.

Statements by delegations

Friday, 28 April

9–10.30 a.m.

Panel 5: SDG 17 - Partnerships for the Goals

Moderator: Marisol Merquel, President of the National Council for the Coordination of Social Policies of Argentina, the country serving as Chair of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development

- Ana Montaña Medina, Director General for the 2030 Agenda in Mexico
- Luciana Servo, President, Institute of Applied Economic Research (IPEA), Brazil
- Paula Poblete, Undersecretary for Social Evaluation of the Ministry of Social Development and Family Affairs of Chile
- Sebastián Miller, Lead Economist of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) in Chile
- Pilar Garrido, Director for Development Co-operation of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- Christian Salazar, Director of the Field Operations and Technical Cooperation Division at the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
- Pamela Martín García, Vecinas Feministas and International Planned Parenthood Federation - Americas and the Caribbean Region (IPPF ACRO), Argentina

- 10.30–11.15 a.m. Statements by delegations
- 11.15 a.m.–12.15 p.m. Panel discussion: “Path to the SDG Summit. Transformative initiatives: creating opportunities to strengthen commitment to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its full implementation at all levels”
- Moderator: María del Carmen Squeff, Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations, in her capacity as Chair of the Forum of Latin American and Caribbean Countries on Sustainable Development
- José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
 - Pedro Luis Pedroso, Ambassador, Special Representative of Cuba to the United Nations and Coordinator for Cuba’s Presidency of the Group of 77 and China (G-77 and China)
 - Paula Narváez, Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations, in her capacity as Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council
 - Luis Felipe López-Calva, Global Director of the Poverty and Equity Global Practice at the World Bank
- 12.15–1 p.m. Statements by delegations
- 1–2.30 p.m. Break
- 2.30–2.45 p.m. **Reading of the civil society declaration** by the representative of the Mechanism for civil society participation in the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development
- 2.45–3 p.m. **Intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations of the sixth meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development**
- 3–3.30 p.m. **Closing session**
- Chair of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (Argentina)
 - José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)