European Union-Latin America and the Caribbean
Multi-actor Dialogue Forum
Just Green Transition, Inclusive Digital Transformation, and Social Cohesion

Programme

Campus Benjamín Núñez, National University, Costa Rica, San José
4 October 2023, 09:00-18:45 (Costa Rica Time)

08:30 - 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 10:00 Inaugural Session

Moderation: Anna Barrera Vivero, EU-LAC Foundation

- Marco Méndez, Director School of International Relations, National University of Costa Rica (UNA)
- Alejandro Solano Ortiz, Vice Minister of Multilateral Affairs of the Republic of Costa Rica
- Pierre Louis Lempereur, EU Ambassador of the EU in Costa Rica
- Leire Pajín, President of the EU-LAC Foundation
- Jorge Herrera Murillo, Vicerector for Research, UNA

10:00 – 11:30 Keynote Speeches

Moderation: Anna Barrera Vivero, EU-LAC Foundation

- Mónica Araya, Executive Director, International, European Climate Foundation (online)
- Ragnheiður Elín Árnadóttir, Director of the OECD Development Centre
- Inmaculada Zamora, Secretary General of Fundación Internacional y para Iberoamérica de Administración y Políticas Públicas (FIIAPP) // EUROsociAL+ Bridge Programme
- Eduardo Mauricio Agudelo, Digital Transformation Director at CAF Development Bank

Comments:
- José Andrés Fernández Leost, Associate Professor of Political Theory at Complutense University Madrid (UCM), Head of Analysis at the Carolina Foundation
- Olga Baus-Gibert, Deputy Head of Unit, Unit B.2, Directorate General International Partnerships, European Commission (online)

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee Break
Parallel Panels

Panel Just Green Transitions: Financing the Just Green Transition

**Moderation: Jorge Herrera Murillo**, Vicerector for Research, UNA

- **Sandra Guzmán**, Founder of the Climate Finance Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GFLAC) (online)
- **Mariana Rondon**, Programme Director of Plataforma CIPÓ
- **Andrea Costafreda**, Programmatic Director for Latin America and the Caribbean of OXFAM
- **José Vicente Troya**, UNDP Resident Representative, Costa Rica

Panel Inclusive Digital Transformation: Cooperation in Infrastructure, Connectivity, Access, and Regulatory Dialogue

**Moderation: Francia Serrano**, MY World Mexico

- **José Ignacio Torreblanca**, Senior Policy Fellow and Head of Madrid Office and of the European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR) (online)
- **Luis Eliécer Cárdenas**, Executive Director at RedCLARA (online)
- **Leonie Kellerhof**, Policy Advisor EU-LAC Digital Alliance for Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
- **Mitja Jermol**, UNESCO Chair on Open Technologies for Open Educational Resources and Open Learning, Programme Committee Chair in AI and Circular Economy (online)

Panel Social Cohesion: Social and economic inequalities

**Moderation: Alex Segovia**, Coordinator of the Central America Initiative Network

- **Moustapha Kamal Gueye**, ILO Coordinator of the Green Jobs Programme
- **Sandrea Maynard**, Pro Vice Chancellor Global Affairs, The University of the West Indies (UWI)
- **Inmaculada Alonso**, La Coordinadora of NGOs (Spain)
- **Regina Leão**, National coordinator of the Pastoral Care of Children, Coordinator of social programmes for children and adolescents in the Archdiocese of Rio de Janeiro
- **Laura Sánchez León**, gender expert, social linkage division of the French Development Agency (AFD Group / Expertise France - EUROsociAL+ Bridge consortium partner)
- **Isabel Román**, State of the Nation Programme, Costa Rica

13:30 – 15:00 Lunch
15:00 – 16:30 Parallel Panels

Panel Just Green Transitions: Investing and Cooperating in Clean Energy and Critical Raw Materials

Moderation: Olman Segura Bonilla, Director, International Centre for Economic Policy for Sustainable Development (CINPE), UNA

- Rodolfo Lacy, Former Director for Climate Action and Environment for Latin America at OECD, Former Vice Minister of Environmental Policy and Planning at the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources of Mexico
- Martín Obaya, Director at CENIT
- María Elena Huertas, Co-Founder of POLEN Just Transitions
- Josep Puxeu, Member of the European Economic and Social Committee (Group I, Employers)

Panel Inclusive Digital Transformation: Closing Digital Gaps, the Use of Infrastructures and Connectivity for Skill and Productivity Development

Moderation: Ricardo Cáceres, Director of Information Technologies of the General Secretariat of the Central American Integration System (SG-SICA) and coordinator of the Administrative Technical Secretariat that supports the Ad Hoc Group leading the SICA Regional Digital Strategy (ERDI)

- Javier González, Director of SUMMA – Laboratory of Education Research and Innovation for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Ángel Machado, Director of the Argentine Chamber of Commerce and Services, President & CEO Canon Medical Systems Argentina (online)
- Shirley Saborio, Vice President of the Boards of Directors of the Costa Rican Chamber of Commerce and the Productivity Promotion Council
- Hernán Aguirre, Professor of Engineering, Shinshu University, Japan
- Dumitru Fornea, Member of the European Economic and Social Committee, Group II (Workers)

Panel Social Cohesion: Political inequalities

Moderation: Carlos Cascante Segura, School of International Relations, National University of Costa Rica (UNA)

- Natália Gómez Solano, Special Youth Adviser to the European Commissioner for International Partnerships (online)
- Luz Haro, Executive Secretary - Network of Rural Women of Latin America and the Caribbean (Red LAC)
- **Merike Blofield**, Professor for Society and Politics in Latin America, University of Hamburg (Online) and **Juliana Martínez Franzoni (CRI)**, Professor at Institute for Social Research (IIS), University of Costa Rica (UCR)

- **Raquel Coello-Cremades**, Regional Policy Specialist on Economic Empowerment at UN Women Regional office for the Americas and the Caribbean (online)

- **Ileana Ramírez**, Senior Expert of the Gender Equity and Youth Programme team, Technical Cooperation, Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)

16:30 – 17:00  **Coffee Break**

17:00– 18:00  **Plenary session with rapporteurs from the parallel panels**

**Moderation: Noel Cruz Muñoz**, School of International Relations, National University of Costa Rica (UNA)

*Presentation and exchange on the results of the working groups*

18:00 – 18:45  **Closing Session**

**Moderation: Anna Barrera Vivero**, EU-LAC Foundation

- **Carlos Isaac Pérez Mejía**, Vice Minister for Strategic Management of the Republic of Costa Rica
- **Andreas Schaal**, Director for OECD Global Relations and Co-operation
- **Matteo Banti**, Head of Regional Cooperation of the EU in Central America
- **Marco Méndez**, Director School of International Relations, National University of Costa Rica (UNA)
- **Adrián Bonilla**, Executive Director of the EU-LAC Foundation