



EU-LAC Dialogue Sessions
**“Initiatives for the financing and equitable distribution of vaccines against Covid-19
in middle-income countries of Latin America and the Caribbean”**

– Programme (March 24th, 2021) –

<p>March 23th, 2021 15:00 – 15:30 (time CET) 08:00-08:30 (Mexican time) Opening</p>	<p>Welcome, introduction and presentation of the objectives of the event</p> <p>Dr Adrián Bonilla – Executive Director, EU-LAC Foundation Leire Pajín – President, EU-LAC Foundation Dr Josep Borrell – EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy</p>
<p>15:30-17:30 (time CET) 08:30-10:30 (time Mexico City) EU-LAC Dialogue Session I</p>	<p>How can financial, technical and logistical challenges to facilitate access and coordinate the effective distribution of vaccines to Latin American and Caribbean countries be overcome, with a special focus on middle-income countries? Which role do the States, regional organisations, multilateral and public-private initiatives play in these efforts?</p> <p>Moderation: Dr Marina Artusa – Journalist, Correspondent in Spain, Clarín Newspaper</p> <p>Speakers: Rebeca Grynspan – Secretary General, SEGIB Alicia Bárcena – Executive Secretary, ECLAC Dr Ferdinando Regalia – Head of Social Protection and Health Division, IADB Kristin Lang – Head of Division, Latin America and the Caribbean – Public Sector, EIB Áine Markham – Vice President, International Board of Médecins Sans Frontières</p> <p>Round of questions from participating audience</p>
<p>March 24th, 2021 15:00-17:00 (time CET) 08:00-10:00 (time Mexico City) EU-LAC Dialogue Session II</p>	<p>What public and public-private initiatives have been developed at global, bi-regional, regional and sub-regional levels to ensure equitable and rapid provision of vaccines in the states? What aspects deserve improvements? What role do the States, regional organisations, multilateral and public-private initiatives play in these efforts?</p> <p>Brief wrap-up of the first dialogue session: Leire Pajín – President, EU-LAC Foundation</p> <p>Moderation: Rafael Vilasanjuan – Journalist, Alternate Member of GAVY Board, representing civil society organisations, Director of Policy and Global Development ISGlobal</p> <p>Speakers: Santiago Cornejo – Director, Country Engagement, Covax Facility Dr Carlos Grabojs Gadelha – Prospecting Coordination – Fiocruz Presidency, Lead Researcher on the “Development, Innovation and Health Economic-Industrial Complex” Dr Gabriella Fésüs – Head of Unit, DG INTPA, European Commission Dr Maria Guadalupe Guzman Tirado – Head of the Research, Diagnostic and Reference Centre, "Pedro Kouri" Institute of Tropical Medicine (IPK), Cuba Dr Martin Bergfelder – Coordinator for the Foreign Policy Dimension of Global Health Issues, German Federal Foreign Office Andrea Costafreda – Programme Director for Latin America and the Caribbean, OXFAM Federico Bonaglia, Deputy Director of the OECD Development Centre (DEV)</p> <p>Round of questions from participating audience</p>
<p>17:00-17:30 (time CET) 10:00-10:30 (Mexican time) Closing</p>	<p>Conclusions, next steps, acknowledgements</p> <p>Dr. Adrián Bonilla – Executive Director, EU-LAC Foundation Javier Niño – Deputy Managing Director Americas, European External Action Service (EEAS) Carmen Moreno Toscano, Undersecretary of Foreign Relations, Mexico (PPT CELAC)</p>



Panellists

Dr Adrián Bonilla

Executive Director, European Union – Latin America and Caribbean Foundation (EU-LAC Foundation)



Adrián Bonilla has assumed the role of Executive Director of the EU-LAC International Foundation in 2020. Before joining the EU-LAC Foundation, Adrián Bonilla was National Secretary of Higher Education with ministerial rank in his country (2018-2019); served as Secretary-General for the entire region at the Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences FLACSO (2012-2016), and also as Director of the Office in Ecuador (2004-2012).

He obtained a Doctorate and a Master's degrees in International Relations from the University of Miami and holds a Bachelor's degree in Public and Social Sciences from the Central University of Ecuador. Adrián Bonilla is the author and editor of fifteen books and numerous articles. He also has been a lecturer and visiting professor at several universities.

Leire Pajín

President, European Union – Latin America and Caribbean Foundation (EU-LAC Foundation)



Leire Pajín is President of the EU-LAC Foundation and International Development Director of ISGlobal, Chair of REDS (Spanish chapter of the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network-UNSDSN), and member of UNSDSN's strategic and leadership council. Leire Pajín served as Senior Advisor at the United Nations Development Program on post-2015 development agenda (2013-2014) and the UNDP Regional Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean (2014-2017), and as Special Advisor UN Partnerships at the Pan-American World health organization office at UN New York (2012-2013).

In Spain, she also served as Minister of Health, Social Policy and Gender Equality (2010-2011), as Secretary of State for International Cooperation (2004-2008), and Congress and Senate member (2000-2012). She is the former President of the non-governmental organization International Solidarity (2000-2004).

Dr Josep Borrell

EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy



Josep Borrell Fontelles is the current High Representative of the European Union since 2019.

Having initially been trained as an aeronautical engineer and economist before his entry into politics, he also held several positions in the Spanish government from 1984-1996. He served as Spanish Foreign Minister (2018-2019) and as President of the European Parliament (2004-2007), of which he was a Member from 2004-2009.

Moreover, Josep Borrell was President of the European University Institute (EUI) and held the Jean Monnet Chair in European Economic Integration at the Complutense University of Madrid (2013-2016).



Carmen Moreno Toscano
Under-Secretary of Foreign
Relations, Mexico (PPT CELAC)



Carmen Moreno Toscano is Mexico's Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs. Previously, she headed the Mexican embassies in Nicaragua, Guatemala and Costa Rica, as well as the Permanent Mission to the Organisation of American States. She served as undersecretary for the United Nations, Africa and the Middle East, and as Director-General for American Regional Organisations and Multilateral Economic Relations, among other positions. Outside the Foreign Ministry, she has been Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Commission of Women, Director of the United Nations International Institute for the Training and Advancement of Women, and Citizen Advisor for Migration and member of the Advisory Council of the National Human Rights Commission.

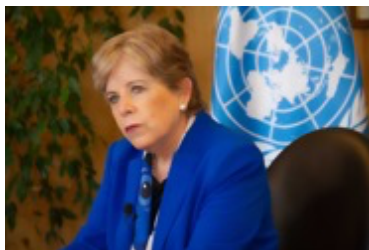
Rebeca Grynspan
Secretary General, Ibero-
American General Secretariat
(SEGIB)



Rebeca Grynspan is the Ibero-American Secretary-General since 2014. In 2010 she was named Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations (UN) and Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). From 2006 to 2010, she was UNDP Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean. She has been a member of the High-Level Panel on Financing for Development.

Before joining the United Nations, Rebeca Grynspan served as Vice-President of Costa Rica from 1994 to 1998. She was also Minister of Housing, Minister Coordinator of Economic and Social Affairs, and Deputy Minister of Finance. Rebeca Grynspan holds a degree in Economics from the University of Costa Rica and a MSc in Economics from the University of Sussex. She has been awarded a Doctorate Honoris Causa by the University of Salamanca, the University of Extremadura and the European University of Madrid in recognition of her professional career.

Alicia Bárcena
Executive Secretary, Economic
Commission for Latin America
and the Caribbean (ECLAC)



Alicia Bárcena assumed office as the Executive Secretary of ECLAC on 1 July 2008. She had previously served as the Under-Secretary-General for Management at United Nations Headquarters in New York, Chef de Cabinet and Deputy Chef de Cabinet to the former Secretary-General, Kofi Annan. She held the post of Deputy Executive Secretary of ECLAC and Director of the Environment and Human Settlements Division.

Alicia Bárcena has published numerous articles on sustainable development, public policy, environmental issues, and public participation. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology, as well as a Master's degree in Public Administration. She has been awarded honoris causa doctorates from the University of Oslo, Norway, the University of Havana, Cuba, and the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM). She received the 2013 medal in International Relations at the University of Anáhuac.



Dr Ferdinando Regalia
Head of Social Protection and
Health Division, Inter-American
Development Bank (IADB)



Ferdinando Regalia leads the Social Protection and Health Division at the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) and the IADB's support to its borrowing member countries' response to the COVID-19 pandemic in the areas of health and social protection. Ferdinando and his team have led the design and implementation of innovative public-private partnership and results-based financing platforms, such as the Mesoamerica Health Initiative, which seeks to reduce maternal and child health equity gaps in Mesoamerica, and the Regional Malaria Elimination Initiative for Mesoamerica and the Dominican Republic.

Prior to this position, Ferdinando Regalia served as Advisor to the IADB Vice President for Sectors and Knowledge (2008-2009), as Chief of Social Policy and Economics at UNICEF South Africa (2007-2008), and as an Economist in multiple IADB departments (2000-2006). He has published in academic journals and is the author of working papers and book chapters on social protection and results-based financing mechanisms in health. Ferdinando Regalia holds a PhD in Economics from Pompeu Fabra University, Spain.

Kristin Lang
Head of Division for Latin
America and the Caribbean –
Public Sector, European
Investment Bank (EIB)



Kristin Lang serves as Head of Division for Latin America and the Caribbean – Public Sector at the European Investment Bank (EIB).

Kristin Lang is a chartered financial analyst (CFA) and heads the division covering the public sector in Latin America and the Caribbean within the Global Partners Department at the European Investment Bank. In her over 20-year career at the EIB, Kristin has worked in a wide array of matters including capital markets, securitisation, climate action and the evaluation of operations. Prior to joining the Bank, Kristin worked in Latin America equity research at Morgan Stanley in New York. She is a graduate of Columbia University (M.I.A) and Georgetown University School of Foreign Service.



Áine Markham

Vice-President of the International Board of Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)

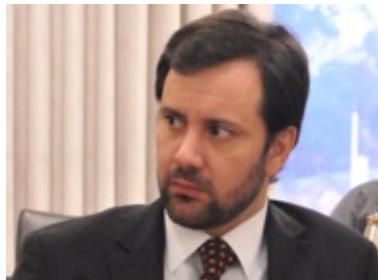


Áine Markham, RN, MPH is presently the Vice-President of the International Board of Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF). With over 25 years of experience in the humanitarian field, she has worked predominantly for MSF since 1994, where she has held senior management positions both in the field and at headquarters, including Director of Operations from 1999 to 2004.

Following a move to Africa and Latin America in 2004, she has worked as an independent consultant for national and international NGOs, Foundations and Academic Institutions globalizatio in humanitarian and global public health issues, including designing and implementation of research projects. Over the years, she has served on a number of non-profit boards and was first elected to the MSF International Board in 2015. Áine Markham trained as a general and paediatric nurse in her home country Ireland. She holds a masters degree in public health and in international politics.

Santiago Cornejo

Director of Country Engagement, COVAX Facility



Santiago Cornejo is the Director of Country Engagement in the Office of the COVAX Facility. Santiago Cornejo also supported the development of the COVAX Facility. He is also the Director for Immunisation Financing and Sustainability in the Gavi Alliance to enable the sustainability of globalizatio achievements in Gavi's transitioning countries. In this role, he coordinates the implementation and Alliance support to Gavi's co-financing, eligibility and transition policies.

Santiago Cornejo has over 20 years of cumulative work experience in the field of health and globalizatio financing. He started his career in 1999 with the Pan-American Health Organization in Washington DC. He has successively held roles with the WHO, the Vaccine Fund and for 6 years with the World Bank in Washington DC. He holds a Master's degree in international economic development with a globalizatio in international public health policy from George Washington University, where he also worked in academia, at the Center for Global Health.

Dr Carlos Graboys Gadelha

Prospecting Coordination, Fiocruz Presidency



Carlos A. Graboys Gadelha holds a PhD in Economics from the Economics Institute Federal University of Rio de Janeiro. He is the Coordinator of Prospecting Activities of the Presidency of Fiocruz. He is also a professor and researcher of the National School of Public Health Sérgio Arouca (DAPS/ENSP/FIOCRUZ).

Carlos A. Graboys Gadelha has a vast scientific production and is Leader of the Research Group on Development, Economic-industrial Complex and Innovation in Health. He was Vice-President of Production and Innovation in Health at Fiocruz; Secretary of Science and Technology and Strategic Products at the Ministry of Health; and Secretary of Industrial Development and Competitiveness at the Ministry of Industry Development and Foreign Trade.



Dr Gabriella Fésüs

Head of Unit, DG INTPA,
European Commission



Gabriella Fésüs is Head of Unit in charge of health, demography, social inclusion and social protection and the centre of expertise for inequalities at the European Commission, Directorate-General for International Partnerships.

She is a member of the Board of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. Prior to that, Gabriella Fésüs was in charge of the political and interinstitutional coordination unit and policy assistant to the Director General in the Directorate General for Regional Policy.

She also worked at the Hungarian Ministry of Health on strategic planning of investments in health and on health and social programs in Sub-Saharan Africa and Central America. She holds a PhD in public health from the University of Debrecen and Masters degrees from the Budapest University of Economics and from the College of Europe in Bruges.

Dr Maria Guadalupe Guzman Tirado

Head of the Research, Diagnostic and Reference Centre, "Pedro Kouri" Institute of Tropical Medicine (IPK), Cuba



Maria Guadalupe Guzman Tirado is Head of the Centre for Research, Diagnosis and Reference, "Pedro Kouri" Institute of Tropical Medicine in Cuba. Maria Guadalupe Guzman Tirado is a recognised figure in the field of medical virology and has devoted herself mainly to the study of dengue, a viral infectious disease acquired through a vector: the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito, which also transmits yellow fever. Maria Guadalupe Guzman Tirado holds a Doctor of Medicine, a Master's degree in Virology, a PhD, and a Doctor of Science degree. She is a Full Professor, Researcher of Merit, and Academician of Merit of the Cuban Academy of Sciences.

Dr Martin Bergfelder

Coordinator for the Foreign Policy Dimension of Global Health Issues,
German Federal Foreign Office

Martin Bergfelder is a career diplomat currently heading the International Corona Taskforce at the Federal Foreign Office of Germany.

Previous assignments include London (2014-2018) and Cairo (2011-2014). Before joining the diplomatic service, he has worked on international climate change negotiations at the Federal Ministry for Environment and on emissions trading as Head of the International Carbon Action Partnership. He holds a Phd in IT law from the University of Freiburg and studied law in Berlin and Geneva.



Andrea Costafreda

Programme Director for Latin America and the Caribbean, OXFAM



Andrea Costafreda is a political scientist and researcher in development studies and Latin America. She is currently the Programme Director for Latin America and the Caribbean at Oxfam Intermón. As a consultant and researcher, she has worked for bilateral cooperation agencies such as the MAEC, the Directorate of International Relations of the Barcelona City Council and multilateral organisations such as the UNDP, the IDB and IDEA International.

She has been in charge of Planning at the Directorate General for Development Cooperation of the Government of Catalonia and previously worked as a policy analyst at the International Institute of Governance of Catalonia, in projects of institutional strengthening and democratic development in Latin America with the UNDP Regional Bureau for Latin America.

Federico Bonaglia

Deputy Director of the OECD Development Centre (DEV)



Federico Bonaglia supports the Director in establishing the strategic directions and implementing the Programme of Work of the Development Centre, ensuring that the Centre's analysis and advice remain at the forefront of policy thinking and produce results. He manages the Centre's Governing Board and engagement with the Centre's member countries.

Prior to this, Federico Bonaglia was Senior Counsellor to the Director and led the Centre's Policy Dialogue Division. His career at the OECD started in 1999 when he first joined the Development Centre as an economist. At the OECD he has been involved and led several projects on the economic and institutional consequences of globalization for developing countries in Africa, South-East Asia, Central America, the Black Sea and Central Asia regions. An economist by training, Federico Bonaglia holds a Master with honours in economics and social sciences (1997) and a Master in Economics (1999) from Bocconi University.

Javier Niño

Deputy Managing Director Americas, European External Action Service (EEAS)



Javier Niño is working as Director/ Deputy Management Director for the Americas in the European External Action Service (EEAS) as from 1 June 2020. Previously, he was the Head of the United States and Canada Division (2018-2020) and the Head of the Turkey Division (2015-2018) at the EEAS Headquarters in Brussels. Prior to that he was Head of Delegation / EU Ambassador in Haiti (2012-2015) and Head of the EU Delegation in Cuba as chargé d'affaires (2007-2012).

Javier Niño joined the European Commission in 1994 and worked overall on trade, development, cooperation and Common Foreign and Security Policy issues. He holds a law degree from the University of Valladolid (Spain), an LLM in European law from the Free University of Brussels and an MA in European studies from the College of Europe (Bruges-Belgium). He has been awarded the National Orders of Burkina Faso and Haiti and the Officer's Cross of the Order of Isabel the Catholic (Spain).



Dr Marina Artusa

Moderation, Journalist,
Correspondent in Spain, Clarín
Newspaper



Marina Artusa is an Italian-Argentine journalist who began her career in the editorial office of Clarín in 1992. Between 2012 and until the newspaper transferred her to Madrid in September 2019 to take up the position of correspondent in Spain, Artusa was Clarín's itinerant envoy in Europe.

Marina has a degree in Literature from the Universidad Católica Argentina. She was awarded a scholarship to study for a Master's degree in Journalism at the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism in New York, where she received the Henry N. Taylor Award 2002 as "Best international journalist at Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism". In 2013 she was awarded a European Commission scholarship to pursue a PhD in sociology at the Alma Mater Studiorum Università di Bologna, Italy. She received her PhD in 2016.

Rafael Vilasanjuan

Moderation, Journalist,
Alternate Member of GAVY
Board, representing civil society
organisations, Director of Policy
and Global Development
ISGlobal



Rafael Vilasanjuan is the Director of Policy and Global Development of ISGlobal since 2011. He was Deputy Director of the Centre for Contemporary Culture of Barcelona (CCCB) from 2006 to 2011. Worked for over 12 years with Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF), starting as Communication Director in 1995, later as General Director of the Spanish section of MSF. In 1999, appointed General Secretary of MSF International until 2005, working during the period in main conflict areas such as Afghanistan, Chechnya, Somalia, Sudan, West Africa, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Colombia.

Rafael is an alternate Board member representing the civil society organisations of GAVI Alliance (formerly known as the Global Alliance of Vaccines Immunization) and President of Exit Foundation. He is a journalist and collaborates with different Spanish media.