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Thirty-seventh session of the Economic Commission
for Latin America and the Caribbean

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

(Palacio de Convenciones, Havana)

Monday, 7 May

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| 4 – 5 p.m. | Meeting of Caribbean countries |
| 5.30 – 6 p.m. | Meeting of heads of delegation or representatives of ECLAC member countries |

Tuesday, 8 May

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| 9 – 11 a.m. | Opening ceremony of the thirty-seventh session and official ceremony commemorating the seventieth anniversary of ECLAC <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)• Francisco Guzmán Ortiz, Chief of Staff of the Office of the President of Mexico• António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations• Representative of Cuba |
| 3.15 – 6.45 p.m. | Seminar commemorating the seventieth anniversary of ECLAC |
| 3.15 – 5.15 p.m. | Round table: 70 years of ECLAC
<u>Moderator:</u> Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enrique Iglesias, former Executive Secretary of ECLAC• Gert Rosenthal, former Executive Secretary of ECLAC• José Antonio Ocampo, former Executive Secretary of ECLAC• José Luis Machinea, former Executive Secretary of ECLAC |



- 5.15 – 6.45 p.m. Presentation of the book *Desarrollo e igualdad: el pensamiento de la CEPAL en su séptimo decenio. Textos seleccionados del período 2008-2018*, Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC
Moderator: Rodrigo Malmierca Díaz, Minister of Foreign Trade and Foreign Investment of Cuba
Comments:
- Gustavo Cobreiro, Rector of the University of Havana
 - Leonardo Lomelí Vanegas, Secretary General of the National Autonomous University of Mexico
- 6.45 p.m. (room 5) Meeting of heads of delegation or representatives of ECLAC member countries

Wednesday, 9 May

- 8.30 – 8.40 a.m. Election of officers
- 8.40 – 8.45 a.m. Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the thirty-seventh session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
- 8.45 – 10 a.m. Presentation of the Report on the activities carried out by the Commission since its thirty-sixth session and the Draft programme of work of the ECLAC system, 2020, by Raúl García-Buchaca, Deputy Executive Secretary for Management and Programme Analysis of ECLAC
- 10 – 11 a.m. Statements by delegations
- 11 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Report on the activities of the subsidiary bodies of ECLAC and the outcomes of other intergovernmental meetings organized by ECLAC since its thirty-sixth session
- Statistical Conference of the Americas, by Guillermo Pattillo, National Director of the National Institute of Statistics of Chile
 - Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, by Ana Olivera, Vice-Minister for Social Development of Uruguay
 - Regional Conference on Social Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, by Ana Olivera, Vice-Minister of Social Development of Uruguay
 - Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, by Patricia Chemor, Secretary-General of the National Population Council (CONAPO) of Mexico
 - Committee on South-South Cooperation, by Agustín García-López, Executive Director of the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation (AMEXCID)
 - Regional Council for Planning of the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning (ILPES), by Álvaro García, Director of the Office of Planning and the Budget of Uruguay
 - Conference on Science, Innovation and Information and Communications Technologies, by Juanita Rodríguez Kattah, Vice-Minister for the Digital

Economy of the Ministry of Information and Communications
Technologies of Colombia

- Ministerial Conference on the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean, by Juanita Rodríguez Kattah, Vice-Minister for the Digital Economy of the Ministry of Information and Communications Technologies of Colombia
 - Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing and the Rights of Older Persons in Latin America and the Caribbean, by María Teresa Barán, Vice-Minister of Public Health of Paraguay
- 12.30 – 1 p.m. Information on the Regional Agreement on Access to Information, Participation and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters in Latin America and the Caribbean, by a representative of the Presiding Officers of the negotiating committee of the regional agreement
- 1 – 2.30 p.m. Recess
- 2.30 – 4 p.m. Promoting deeper Caribbean engagement with Latin America in pursuit of opportunities for growth and sustainable development
- Presentation of the report on the outcomes of the twenty-seventh session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC), by Ubaldo Raymond, Minister of Finance, Economic Growth, Job Creation, External Affairs and the Public Service of Saint Lucia, in his capacity as Chair of CDCC
 - Presentation of the report *The Caribbean Outlook*, by Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC
- Round table: Promoting deeper Caribbean engagement with Latin America in pursuit of opportunities for growth and sustainable development
- Everly Paul Chet Greene, Minister of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Immigration of Antigua and Barbuda
 - Parnell Charles Jr., State Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica
 - Ubaldo Raymond, Minister of Finance, Economic Growth, Job Creation, External Affairs and the Public Service of Saint Lucia, in his capacity as Chair of CDCC
 - June Soomer, Secretary-General of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS)
- 4 – 6.30 p.m. Committee on South-South Cooperation
- 4 – 4.10 p.m. Election of officers
- 4.10 – 4.15 p.m. Adoption of the agenda

- 4.15 – 6.30 p.m. **Panel on the challenges faced by middle-income countries ahead of the Second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation (Buenos Aires, March 2019)**
- Chair: Ileana Núñez, Vice-Minister of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Foreign Investment of Cuba
- Statement by Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC
- Ana Ciuti, Director-General of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Worship of Argentina
 - Agustín García-López, Executive Director of the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation (AMEXCID)
 - Jorge Chediek, Envoy of the Secretary-General on South-South Cooperation and Director of the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC)
 - Fernando García Casas, Secretary of State for International Cooperation and for Ibero-America and the Caribbean of Spain
 - Jolita Butkeviciene, Director of Development Coordination for Latin America and Caribbean of the European Commission
- 8.30 p.m. Cultural activity organized by the Government of Cuba

Thursday, 10 May

- 8.30 – 10 a.m. Presentation of the document prepared by the secretariat, *The Inefficiency of Inequality*, by Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC
- Comments:
- Mario Pezzini, Director of the OECD Development Centre
 - Rodrigo Malmierca Díaz, Minister of Foreign Trade and Foreign Investment of Cuba
- 10 – 10.30 a.m. Statements by delegations
- 10.30 a.m. – 1 p.m. High-level seminar “The inefficiency of inequality”
- 10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. **Panel 1: Growing tensions of globalization**
- Chair: Rodrigo Malmierca Díaz, Minister of Foreign Trade and Foreign Investment of Cuba
- Richard Kozul-Wright, Director of the Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
 - Rolando Cordera Campos, Coordinator of the Development Studies Programme at the National Autonomous University of Mexico
 - Susana Malcorra, Argentina, Chair of the Eleventh Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization (WTO)

- Ronaldo Costa Filho, Undersecretary General for Economic and Financial Affairs of Brazil
- Diego Sánchez-Ancochea, Director of the Latin American Centre at the University of Oxford

11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Panel 2: Investments, technologies and productivity for sustainable development

Chair: Salvador Pardo Cruz, Minister of Industry of Cuba

- José Ramón López Portillo, Co-Founder of the Centre for Mexican Studies at Oxford University
- Álvaro García, Director of the Office of Planning and Budget of Uruguay
- Juanita Rodríguez Kattah, Vice-Minister for the Digital Economy of the Ministry of Information and Communications Technologies of Colombia
- Juan T. Monegro, Vice-Minister for Industrial Development of the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and MSMEs of the Dominican Republic
- Juan Carlos Parra Fonseca, Deputy General Manager, Corporación Financiera Nacional BP, Ecuador
- Yolanda Martínez, Coordinator of the National Digital Strategy of Mexico

1 – 2.30 p.m.

Recess

2.30 – 6.30 p.m.

High-level seminar “The inefficiency of inequality” (continued)

2.30 – 4 p.m.

Panel 3: The inefficiencies of inequality

Chair: Roberto Morales Ojeda, Vice-President of the Council of State and Minister of Health of Cuba

- Gabriela Agosto, Executive Secretary of the National Council for the Coordination of Social Policies of Argentina
- Ana Olivera, Vice-Minister of Social Development of Uruguay
- Stéphanie Auguste, Minister of Social Affairs and Labour of Haiti
- Alberto Enríquez Villacorta, Undersecretary for Technical Affairs and Planning of the Office of the President of El Salvador
- Kang Kyung-wha, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea

4 – 6.30 p.m.

Panel 4: Territories, infrastructure and the environment: a space for the environmental big push

Chair: Elba Rosa Pérez Montoya, Minister of Science, Technology and Environment of Cuba

- Pearnel Charles Jr., State Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica
- Mauricio Bejarano, Vice-Minister for Mines and Energy of Paraguay
- Fernando Álvarez de Celis, Undersecretary for territorial Planning and Public Works Coordination of the Ministry of Interior, Public Works and Housing of Argentina

- Isaac Castillo, Undersecretary for Energy of Panama
- Pedro Álvarez Icaza, Coordinator General of Biological Corridors and Resources, National Commission for Knowledge and Use of Biodiversity (CONABIO) of Mexico
- Lucía Ruíz, Vice-Minister for Strategic Development of Natural Resources of the Ministry of the Environment of Peru
- Rodolfo Nin Novoa, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uruguay

Friday, 11 May

8.30 a.m. – noon

Statements by ministers of foreign affairs and high-level authorities: the global and regional challenges of multilateralism, the role of ECLAC and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Chair: Bruno Rodríguez Parrilla, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cuba

Special statements:

- Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations

Statements:

- Fernando Huanacuni Mamani, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
- María Fernanda Espinosa, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of Ecuador
- Sandra Érica Jovel, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Guatemala
- Rodolfo Nin Novoa, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uruguay
- Jorge Arreaza, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
- Camillo Gonsalves, Minister of Finance, Economic Planning, Sustainable Development and Information Technology of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Closing remarks, by Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC

Noon – 12.30 p.m.

Statements by other delegations

12.30 – 1 p.m.

Consideration and adoption of the resolutions of the Commission at its thirty-seventh session

1 – 2 p.m.

Closing ceremony

- Rodrigo Malmierca Díaz, Minister of Foreign Trade and Foreign Investment of Cuba
- Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC