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“Challenges in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in the Americas”

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The Lectures of the Americas are the result of the joint efforts of **the Organization of American States and the Universidad San Martín de Porres (USMP)** in Peru. The program consists of lectures given by internationally recognized personalities and intellectuals, who help enrich the debate on key issues of the inter-American agenda such as democratic governance, human rights, hemispheric security and social development. The Chairs seek to promote democratic principles, values and practices in the hemisphere.

Financial contributions to the Chairs of the Americas come from the USMP, as the main sponsor, as well as from other academic entities and Permanent Observers to the OAS. Since the creation of the program in 2004, more than 60 Chairs have been held. Speakers have included Jimmy Carter, former President of the United States; Óscar Arias, former President of Costa Rica and Nobel Peace Prize winner; Benita Ferrero-Waldner, President of the European Union-Latin America and the Caribbean Foundation (EULAC Foundation); Ambassador Irina Bokova, Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); Ambassador William Lacy Swing, Director General of the International Organization for Migration (IOM); and Jim Yong Kim, President of the World Bank.

Within the framework of the School of Governance, the last three editions of the Chairs were held between 2017 and 2018, with the main themes of Open Government, Democratic Governance, the Fight against Corruption, and Diplomacy from the OAS.



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Abstract

The Lecture Series of the Americas was created by the Permanent Council as a space for reflection on central issues of the Inter-American Agenda. Since its creation in 2004, more than 60 chairs have been held with high-level speakers of outstanding trajectory. The next lecture, organized by the OAS School of Governance and the Universidad San Martín de Porres of Peru, will feature **Michelle Muschett**, Director of the Regional Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and **Ana María Ibáñez**, Principal Economics Advisor at the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB).



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Challenges in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in the Americas



Thursday, April 13, 2023

3:00 P.M – 5:00 P.M



Hall of the Americas - OAS Headquarters
(17th Street and Constitution Ave. NW,
Washington, D.C. 2006)

Program

03:00 PM -
03:20 PM

Welcome remarks

| **Ambassador Washington Abdala**, President of the Permanent Council,
Organization of American States (OAS)

| **José Antonio Chang**, Rector of San Martín de Porres University (USMP)

03:20 PM -
04:20 PM

Keynote speakers

| **Michelle Muschett**, Director of the Regional Bureau for Latin America and the
Caribbean of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

| **Ana María Ibáñez**, Principal Economics Advisor at the Inter-American
Development Bank (IADB)

Dialogue moderated by:

Gustau Alegret, Journalist, Managing Editor & Anchor of Club
de Prensa & Cuestión de Poder, NTN24

04:20 PM -
04:50 PM

Questions and answers session

04:50 PM -
05:00 PM

Closing



Live broadcast in English and Spanish

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A blue-tinted photograph of a grand hall, likely a museum or a formal assembly room. The hall features a high, vaulted ceiling with ornate architectural details and a large, central chandelier. Numerous flags are suspended from the ceiling, creating a sense of depth and grandeur. The walls are lined with busts of historical figures, each placed on a small, decorative pedestal. The floor is highly reflective, mirroring the light from the chandelier and the flags above. The overall atmosphere is one of historical significance and formal elegance.

BIOGRAPHIES

■ Authorities



Ambassador Washington Abdalá

President of the Permanent Council, Organization of American States (OAS)



José Antonio Chang

Rector of San Martin de Porres University (USMP)

■ Moderator



Gustau Alegret

Journalist, Managing Editor & Anchor of Club de Prensa & Cuestión de Poder, NTN24



Keynote Speaker



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Michelle Muschett

Director of the Regional Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Michelle Muschett was appointed Assistant Secretary-General, Assistant Administrator and Director of the Regional Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in November 2022.

Ms. Muschett is a social policy and global development specialist with multisectoral experience in leadership positions. Before joining UNDP, she served as Senior Public Policy Adviser and Executive Education Director for Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative, advising governments and policymakers from Africa, Asia, and Latin America in their efforts to address multidimensional poverty.

She was also Senior Policy and Strategy Adviser for the Fourth Sector Group, providing guidance in mobilizing collective leadership and action for scaling business models and in leveraging development finance to accelerate the transition towards more inclusive, sustainable and resilient economic systems globally.

In the public sector, Ms. Muschett held the position of Deputy Minister and Minister of Social Development of Panama. During her tenure, she led the process of developing the first national Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI); the creation of the first Childhood MPI in the Latin American region; and the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals at the national level through civic participation and strategic partnerships. She also chaired the National Concertation Council for Development, a legally established dialogue space aimed at building consensus among multiple sectors of society around national development priorities.

Ms. Muschett holds master's degrees in Public Administration from Cornell University, United States; Commercial Law from Externado University of Colombia, Colombia; and Management of Heritage and Cultural Projects from the Institute for Art and Restoration Palazzo Spinelli, Italy.





Ana María Ibáñez

Principal Economics Advisor at the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)

Ana María Ibáñez is a Principal Economics Advisor at the IDB, formerly serving as the Dean of the School of Economics at the Universidad de los Andes and the Director of the research center (CEDE). She has also been a visiting professor at Yale University and Princeton University, and a visiting fellow at the Institute of Development Studies. Her research focuses on microeconomic analysis of internal conflict, migration, and rural development. Her work has been published in numerous journals, such as *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Health Economics*, *Nature Sustainability*, *Journal of Economic Geography*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *World Development*, *The Economics of Peace and Security Journal*, and *Economía*, among others. She has also contributed chapters to nine books.

In 2008, Ana María Ibáñez published a book on the economic consequences of forced displacement in Colombia, and in 2014, she edited a book on the economic and social costs of the Colombian conflict. Her contributions to the field of economics have been recognized with awards such as the Japanese Award for Outstanding Research on Development of Global Development Network (2005), an honorable mention from the “Fundación Alejandro Ángel Escobar” (2009), and the Juan Luis Londoño award in 2010. This medal is awarded biannually to a Colombian economist under 40 years old who has contributed to improving the social conditions of Colombians.

Ana María Ibáñez is a member of the Board of Directors of Grupo Éxito and the Executive Committee of LACEA. She has served as a member of the United Nations Peace Building Fund advisory committee, the World Bank’s Commission on Poverty, and as a board member of Fundación Éxito, Fundación Saldarriaga Concha, and Bank BBVA-Colombia.





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