



## AGENDA

<b>Sunday, July 28, 2024</b>	
<b>7:00-9:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Welcome Reception</b> – Curime DoubleTree Hilton Cariari
<b>Monday, July 29, 2024</b>	
<b>12:00-1:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Informal Lunch</b> – Restaurant, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari
<b>1:40-1:55 p.m.</b>	<b>Authorities' Picture</b> – Main Lobby, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari
<b>2:00-2:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Inauguration</b> – Cocorí 2 and 3, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari  Opening: <b>Kenji Okamura</b> , Deputy Managing Director, IMF Remarks: <b>Stephan Brunner</b> , First Vice President of Costa Rica
<b>2:30-4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Session I. Global and Regional Outlook</b> - Cocorí 2 and 3, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari - Closed-door session Presenter: <b>Ding Ding</b> , Central America (CA) Division Chief, IMF Moderator: <b>Gerardo Peraza</b> , IMF Regional Resident Representative Panelists: <b>Marta Ruiz-Arranz</b> , Principal Economic Advisor for Central America, Haiti, Mexico, Panama, and the Dominican Republic, IDB <b>Carlos Giraldo</b> , Chief Economist, FLAR <b>Javier Bronfman</b> , SDG Integrator Advisor, UNDP  <i>Questions and Discussion</i>
<b>4:00-4:30 p.m.</b>	Coffee Break
<b>4:30-6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Session II. Income convergence for Central American countries and structural reform priorities</b> - Cocorí 2 and 3, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari - Closed-door session Presenter: <b>Bas B. Bakker</b> , Division Chief, Latin Caribbean Division Moderator: <b>Ari Aisen</b> , Incoming CAPTAC Coordinator, IMF Panelists: <b>Reinier Schliesser</b> , Director of Macroeconomic Studies, CAF <b>Alexander Müller</b> , Head Economist for Andean Region, Central America & Caribbean Global Research, Bank of America Securities, Inc. <b>Francisco Monge</b> , Chief Economist, Costa Rica's Ministry of Foreign Trade.  <i>Questions and Discussion</i>
<b>7:00-10:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Dinner</b> - Cocorí 3 and 4, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari  Introduction: <b>Róger Madrigal López</b> , President of the Central Bank of Costa Rica Keynote speaker: <b>Alexandre Tombini</b> , Chief Representative office for the Americas, BIS

Tuesday, July 30, 2024

7:00-8:15 a.m.

**High-Level Breakfast (by invitation only)** – Cocorí 1, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari

**Introduction:** **Kenji Okamura**, *Deputy Managing Director, IMF*  
**Rodrigo Valdés**, *Director, WHD, IMF (Virtual)*  
**Nigel Chalk**, *Deputy Director, IMF*

8:30-9:45 a.m.

**Session III. Monetary and exchange rate policy in an uncertain environment**

- Cocorí 2 and 3, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari - Closed-door session

**Presenter:** **Maria Oliva**, *Deputy Division Chief, CA Division, IMF*  
**Moderator:** **Ricardo Llaudes**, *IMF Deputy Division Chief, CA Division*  
**Panelists:** **Róger Madrigal López**, *President of the Central Bank of Costa Rica*  
**Jon Frost**, *Head of Economics for the Americas, BIS*  
**Mauricio Cardenas**, *Columbia University*

*Questions and Discussion*

10:00-11:15 a.m.

**Session IV. The road to investment grade** - Cocorí 2 and 3, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari - Closed-door session

**Presenter:** **Santiago Acosta Ormaechea**, *IMF Resident Representative in Costa Rica*  
**Moderator:** **Metodij Hadzi-Vaskov**, *Assistant to the Director, WHD, IMF*  
**Panelists:** **Nogui Acosta Jaén**, *Minister of Finance, Costa Rica*  
**Gisela Sánchez**, *Executive President, Central American Bank of Economic Integration (CABEI)*  
**Ernesto Revilla**, *Chief Economist, Latin America, Citigroup*

*Questions and Discussion*

11:30-11:45 a.m.

**Closing Remarks** - Cocorí 2 and 3, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari —Closed-door session

**Róger Madrigal López**, *President of the Central Bank of Costa Rica, and President of the Central American Monetary Council*  
**Nigel Chalk**, *Deputy Director, WHD, IMF*  
**Douglas Rodríguez**, *President of the Central Reserve Bank of El Salvador*

12:15-1:30 p.m.

**Session V. Climate change challenges and opportunities in Latin America and the Caribbean - Book Launch** - Cocorí 2, 3 and 4, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari —Open-door session

**Moderator:** **Anna Ivanova**, *Advisor, SPR, IMF*  
**Panelists:** **Stephan Brunner**, *First Vice President of Costa Rica*  
**Carlos Manuel Rodríguez**, *CEO and Chairperson, Global Environment Facility*  
**Nigel Chalk**, *Deputy Director, WHD, IMF*

1:35-2:00 p.m.

**Press Conference** – Curime, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari

**Róger Madrigal López**, *Governor BCCR, and Central American Monetary Council's President*  
**Nigel Chalk**, *Deputy Director, WHD, IMF*  
**Ding Ding**, *Division Chief, Central America, WHD, IMF*

1:15-3:00 p.m.

**Informal Lunch** – Restaurant, DoubleTree Hilton Cariari