

**10th Annual Regional Conference on Central America, Panama,
and the Dominican Republic**
Agenda

Wednesday, July 27, 2011	
1:30–6:30 pm	Third Steering Committee Meeting Regional Technical Assistance Center (CAPTAC-DR) <i>By invitation only</i>
7:00–9:00 pm	<i>Cocktail Reception</i> (Salón Cedro, Hotel Real Intercontinental Metrocentro)
Thursday, July 28, 2011	
12:30–2:30 pm	<i>Informal Lunch</i> (Restaurante Voltes, Hotel Real Intercontinental Metrocentro)
2:30–3:00 pm	Inauguration Opening Remarks Antenor Rosales Bolaños , President, Central Bank of Nicaragua Nemat Shafik , Deputy Managing Director, IMF
	<i>Begin closed session, by invitation only—media withdraws</i>
3:00–4:15 pm	Session I: Global Outlook, Risks and Policies Speaker: Olivier Blanchard , Economic Counsellor and Director, Research Department, IMF Moderator: Nicolás Eyzaguirre , Director, Western Hemisphere Department, IMF <i>Questions and Discussion</i>
4:15–4:45 pm	Coffee Break

4:45–6:15 pm	<p>Session II: Economic Outlook and Challenges for Central America, Panama and the Dominican Republic.</p> <p>Speaker: Nicolás Eyzaguirre, Director, Western Hemisphere Department, IMF</p> <p>Moderator: Olivier Blanchard, Economic Counsellor and Director, Research Department, IMF</p> <hr/> <p><i>Questions and Discussion</i></p>
8:00–10:00 pm	<p><i>Dinner</i> (Salón Roble, Hotel Real Intercontinental Metrocentro) <i>By invitation only</i></p> <p>Introduction: Antenor Rosales Bolaños, President, Central Bank of Nicaragua</p> <p>Keynote speaker: Nemat Shafik, Deputy Managing Director, IMF</p> <p>Topic: A Tale of Two Regions</p>
Friday, July 29, 2011	
8:30–9:15 am	<p>Session III: Central America, Panama, and the Dominican Republic in the Aftermath of the Global Crisis—Policies for Macroeconomic Stability and Growth.</p> <p><i>Topic 1: Fiscal Position in CAPDR: Outlook and Options.</i></p> <p>Speaker: Miguel Savastano, Deputy Director, Western Hemisphere Department, IMF</p> <p>Moderator: Juan Alberto Fuentes, Regional Advisor, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), Mexico</p>
9:15–9:45 am	<hr/> <p><i>Questions and Discussion</i></p>

9:45–10:15 am	Coffee Break
10:15–11:00 am	<p><i>Topic 2: Structural Agenda to Increase Growth in Central America.</i></p> <p>Speaker: Marco Piñón, Central American Division Chief, Western Hemisphere Department, IMF</p> <p>Moderator: Francisco de Paula Gutiérrez, Professor, INCAE Business School</p>
11:00–11:30 am	<i>Questions and Discussion</i>
11:30–12:00 pm	Coffee Break
12:00–12:30 pm	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Rodrigo Bolaños Zamora, Vice-President, Central American Monetary Council</p> <p>Nicolás Eyzaguirre, Director, Western Hemisphere Department, IMF</p>
12:30–1:00 pm	<i>Press Conference</i>
12:30–2:30 pm	<i>Informal Lunch</i> (Salón Roble 3 del Hotel Real Intercontinental Metrocentro)