



AGENDA

XIII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING OF ELECTORAL MANAGEMENT BODIES

Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic – November 7th- 9th, 2018

El Embajador Hotel

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th

7:00pm Welcome Cocktail

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7th

09:00am-10:30am **OPENING REMARKS**

- Julio César Castaños Guzmán, President of the Central Electoral Board
- Román Jáquez, President of the Superior Electoral Court
- Luis Almagro, OAS Secretary General

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: "Electoral Institutionalality: promoting quality and transparency in the work of the guardians of our democracy"

- Luis Almagro, Secretary General of the OAS

10:30am-10:45am Coffee Break

10:45am-12:45pm **PLENARY I: "Beyond the glass ceiling: Challenges for the effective political participation of women"**

- Rosina Wiltshire, Consultant in International Development and Gender Equality

Moderator: Brenda Santamaría, Chief of the Electoral Observation Section, DECO

12:45pm -01:00pm Official photo

01:00pm-02:45pm Lunch

02:45pm-04:45pm **PLENARY II: "Regulating the Media: Models for Equal Access"**

- José Luís – Pepin – Corripio, President of the Corripio Group
- Adriano Miguel Tejada, Director of Diario Libre and President of the Interamerican Society of Press (SIP, as per its Spanish acronym)

Moderator: Persio Maldonado, President of the Dominican Newspapers Association

08:00 pm Cocktail – Private Residence



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8th

- 09:00am-10:15am **BOOK PRESENTATION: “Elections In Hard Times: Building Stronger Democracies In The 21st Century”**
- Irfan Nooruddin, Author
 - Thomas Edward Flores, Author
- Moderator:** Gerardo de Icaza, Director, DECO
- 10:15 am-10:30 am Break
- 10:30am-12:30pm **PLENARY III: “To regulate or not to regulate? Challenges in establishing electoral campaign spending limits”**
- Cynthia Barrow-Giles, Senior Lecturer in Political Science, Department of Government, Sociology and Social Work, University of West Indies
- Moderator:** Melene Glynn, Specialist, DECO
- 12:30pm-02:00pm Lunch
- 02:00pm-04:00pm **PLENARY IV: “Opinion polls in electoral processes: a picture of the present or a picture of the future?”**
- Roy Campos, President of Consulta-Mitofsky
 - Mónica Pachón, Dean of the School of Political Sciences, Government and International Relations, Universidad del Rosario
- Moderator:** Paulina Recalde, Director of Perfiles de Opinión
- 07:30 pm Dinner

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9th

- 09:00am-10:30am **CONVERSATION: "Social Networks: How to guarantee data privacy and freedom of expression while tackling misinformation?"**
- Edison Lanza, Rapporteur for Freedom of Expression, IACHR
 - Thais Lobo, Researcher, Department of Public Policy Analysis, Getulio Vargas Foundation
 - Jason Marczak, Director of the Adrienne Arsht Latin American Center, Atlantic Council
 - Ben Supple, Public Policy Manager, WhatsApp
- Moderador:** Francisco Guerrero, Secretary, Secretariat for Strengthening Democracy
- 10:30am-11:30am **OAS PRESENTATION AND OTHER TOPICS**
- Gerardo de Icaza, Director, DECO
- Topics: Electoral Balance 2018, Electoral Justice Methodology, Code of Good Practices , host of the 2019 RAE, among other topics raised by delegates



11:30am-12:00pm

CLOSING REMARKS

- Román Jáquez, President of the Superior Electoral Court
- Julio César Castaños Guzmán, President of the Central Electoral Board
- Francisco Guerrero, Secretary, Secretariat for Strengthening Democracy

01:00pm

Lunch

Return of electoral authorities to their countries of origin



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