**Celebrating 25 Years of Building Democratic Institutions and Local Government in Latin America**

**“Building the Communities of Tomorrow: Economic Development, Resilience, and Sustainability.”**

June 17 - 20, 2019

Hilton Downtown Hotel

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**Summary of the Agenda\***

**Monday June 17th**

03:00 pm - 06:00 pm **Conference Registration**

Hilton Downtown Hotel - Ballroom Level

07:30 pm - 09:00 pm **Welcome Cocktail**

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**Tuesday June 18th**

07:30 am – 12:00 pm **Conference Registration**

Hilton Downtown Hotel - Ballroom Level

09:00 am – 10:00 am **Welcome Remarks**

Allan Rosenbaum, Chairperson

Dr. John Stack, Dean – FIU-Steven J. Green School of International & Public Affairs

Dr. Meredith Newman, ViceProvost-Faculty & Global Affairs, Florida International University

Senator Javier D. Souto, Commissioner - Miami Dade County

10:00 am – 11:00 am **Keynote Presentation**

**Dr. Luis Alberto Moreno, President, Inter-American Development Bank**

**Introduction by Eliot Pedrosa, Alternate United States Executive Director - IDB**

11:00 am – 11:30 am Coffee Break

11:30 am – 12:45 pm **25 Years Building Local Government** **in Latin America and the Caribbean: What have we learned and what do we need know for the next 25 years: Lessons from Latin America**

Cristina A. Rodriguez-Acosta, Florida International University

Maria Camila Uribe, Inter-American Development Bank

Daniel Cravacuore, Director – Foundation for Local Development

Egon Montesinos, Director, Public Administration Program, Valdivia University, Chile and Former Intendente, Los Rios, Chile

12:45 pm – 02:00 pm **Luncheon**

02:15 pm – 03:15 pm **Financing Economic Development: New Instruments for the Next 25 Years**

**Dr. Marcelo Giugale, Director of Financial Advisory and Banking Services, The World Bank**

03:15 pm – 03:3 pm Coffee Break

03:30 pm – 05:00 pm **Implementing the 2030 Agenda: Sustainable development from the local perspective**

**Panel organized by CIFAL Miami and Universidad Técnica Particular de Loja**

Camilo Pinzon, Director – CIFAL Miami

Lara Bersano Calot, Director of Communications – OEA - The Trust for the Americas

Paco Moncayo, Fellow - UNITAR

Estrella Merlos, Adjunct Director-Worldwide Centers – UNITAR

Patricio Lopez, Program Coordinator-Sustainable Cities - GIZ

Santiago Acosta, Chancellor-Technical University of Loja, Ecuador

**Wednesday June 19h**

08:00 am – 12:00 pm **Conference Registration**

Hilton Downtown Hotel - Ballroom Level

09:00 am – 10:15 am **Special Presentation organized by CC35 on Climate Solutions for Latin America and the Caribbean**

Mauricio Rodas, Former Mayor of Quito, Ecuador & Special Envoy of CC35

10:15 am – 10:45 am Coffee Break

10:45 am – 12:30 pm **Tourism as a Strategy for Local Economic Development**

**Special Participation from the Governing Board of The Inter-American Development Bank**

Eliot Pedrosa, Panel Chairperson, Alternate Executive Director-United States

Fernando de Leon, Alternate Executive Director – Panamá & Venezuela

Sergio Diaz Granados, Alternate Executive Director – Colombia & Perú

Marko Machicao, Executive Director – Bolivia, Paraguay & Uruguay

William “Bill” Talbert, President, Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau

12:30 pm – 02:00 pm **Lunch**

02:00 pm – 03:30 pm **25 Years of Building Local Government: What have we learned and what do we need know for the next 25 years: Lessons from Miami Dade County and Beyond**

Merrett R. Stierheim, Former County Manager, Former Superintendent -Miami Dade County Public School System

Eric Olafson, Director – Global Trade & Business Development, Port of Miami

Marcos Gonzalez, International Trade Consultant, Catalonia Trade & Investment

3:30 pm – 3:45 pm Coffee Break

3:45 pm – 5:00 pm **Citizen Participation as a Means to Improve the Quality of Service Delivery and Accountability**

**Carlos Trujillo, United States Ambassador-Organization of American States**

Jonas Rabinovitch, Senior Advisor- Sustainable Development Goals- Department of Economic & Social Affairs, United Nations

07:30 pm – 09:30 pm **Reception**

Miami-Dade County Seaport

Buses will leave at 7:15 pm from Hilton Hotel only

**Thursday June 20th**

09:00 am – 09:30 am **Special Presentation**

**Mayor Francis Suarez, City of Miami**

09:30 am – 10:30 am **Presentation of Selected Best Practices by Latin American Local Governments**

Victor Jacinto Flecha, Director, COPLANEA

Distinguished Research Fellow-Institute of Public Management & Community Services at FIU

10:30 am – 11:00 am Coffee Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm **Collaboration Across Jurisdictions: The State of Inter-municipal Governance in Latin America**

Michael G. Donovan, Inter-American Development Bank

Alfonso Iracheta, El Colegio Mexiquense, Programa de Estudios Urbanos y Ambientales

Yolanda Bichara, Executive Director - Planning Agency of Metrpolitan San Salvador (*Oficina de Planificación del Área Metropolitana de San Salvador* – OPAMSS)

Professor Richard Feiock, Florida State University

12:15 pm – 12:45 pm **Closing Ceremony**

12:45 pm **Certificates of Attendance**

(Please keep in mind that certificates will be delivered only after the end of the closing session) Ballroom Level

**\*Agenda subject to change**