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ON

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IN PERSONS
IN LATIN AMERICA AND
THE CARIBBEAN

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10:00-10:10 **Opening**

Richard Martínez, Vice President for Countries, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

Video Series of Technical Dialogues on Trafficking in Persons

Moderator: Adela Barrio, Senior Knowledge and Learning Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

10:10-11:20 **Panel 1: Communications Campaigns: A Key Instrument for the Prevention of Trafficking in Persons**

Increased unemployment, poverty, and inequality associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, plus the growing use of digital media, have heightened the vulnerability of populations in Latin America and the Caribbean to falling victim to trafficking in persons. Working to raise awareness about and prevent the crime's prevalence is more necessary than ever. Communications campaigns have great potential to sensitize, create understanding, and warn people about the risks of becoming victims to some form of trafficking in persons. This session will analyze the advantages, lessons learned, and challenges of such campaigns, and panelists will exchange recommendations to increase their effectiveness and the sustainability of their results.

Introduction to the session: TBC.

Participants

- **Monica Bottero**, Director, National Institute of Women INMujeres, Uruguay.
- **Carlos Pérez**, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section -LAC Region, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).
- **Lourdes Fernandez**, Journalist, El Comercio Newspaper, Peru.
- **Ana Piñeres**, Vice President, Manager and Producer, CMO Productions; Producer, "La Promesa", Caracol TV.

Moderator: Robert Pantzer, Citizen Security and Gender Specialist, Innovation Division to Serve the Citizen (ICS), Inter-American Development Bank.

11:20-12:30 **Panel 2: Trafficking in Persons, Organized Crime, and Associated Crimes.**

Trafficking networks work in conjunction with other criminal enterprises within the framework of illegal economies, affecting the most vulnerable individuals. Crimes such as migrant smuggling, money laundering, and corruption often facilitate or are related to TIP, which is the third most lucrative endeavor for organized crime worldwide. Tools such as financial analysis make it possible to trace the origin, route, and destination of resources, which helps expose cases, dismantle organized crime networks, recover assets, and compensate victims.

This session will present experiences, challenges, and opportunities to strengthen case detection and identify criminal groups and networks involved. In addition, it will explore associated offenses, consequently contributing to reducing impunity related to the crime of TIP.

Introduction to the session: Roberto de Michele, Transparency Cluster Coordinator, Innovation Division to Serve the Citizen (ICS), Inter-American Development Bank.

Participants

- **Dawne Spicer**, Executive Director, Caribbean Financial Action Task Force (CFATF).
- **Kiki Roberts**, Organized Crime Coordinator for Latin America, UK Foreign and Commonwealth Development Office (FCDO).
- **Gaston Schulmeister**, Director, Department against Transnational Organized Crime, Organization of American States (OAS).
- **Laura Roteta**, Economic Crimes and Money Laundering Prosecutor, Public Prosecutor's Office, Argentina.

Moderator: **Nathalie Alvarado**, Citizen Security Cluster Coordinator, Innovation Division to Serve the Citizen (ICS), Inter-American Development Bank.