



# **The Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development**

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# The Forum: an example of multilateralism and regional collaboration to follow-up, review and implement the 2030 Agenda



It meets annually under the auspices of ECLAC

It provides a bridge between national, subregional, regional and global levels

It convenes governments, civil society, youth network, private sector, academia, UN and regional system entities

It considers the specific needs and challenges of the Caribbean

It sustains the VNR process, feeds into the HLPF and ECLAC subsidiary bodies



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**“We find ourselves at a critical point; it is important to send a very clear message about what is truly needed to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the region,”  
ECLAC Executive Secretary, Alicia Bárcena**



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# The Regional forums on Sustainable Development



## HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



The Africa  
Regional Forum  
on Sustainable  
Development  
1- 4 March 2021

Forum of the  
Countries of Latin  
America and the  
Caribbean on  
Sustainable  
Development  
15-18 March 2021

Regional Forum  
on Sustainable  
Development for  
the UNECE Region  
17-18 March 2021

Asia-Pacific  
Forum on  
Sustainable  
Development  
23-26 March 2021

The Arab Regional  
Forum for  
Sustainable  
Development  
29-31 March 2021

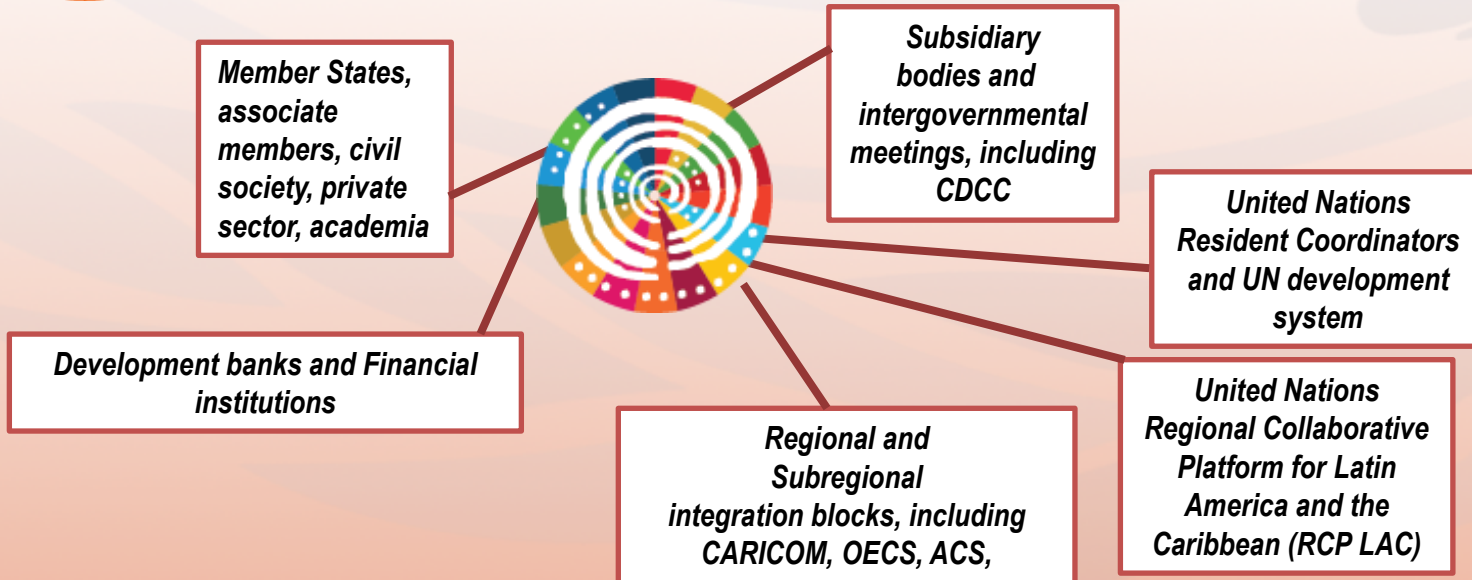


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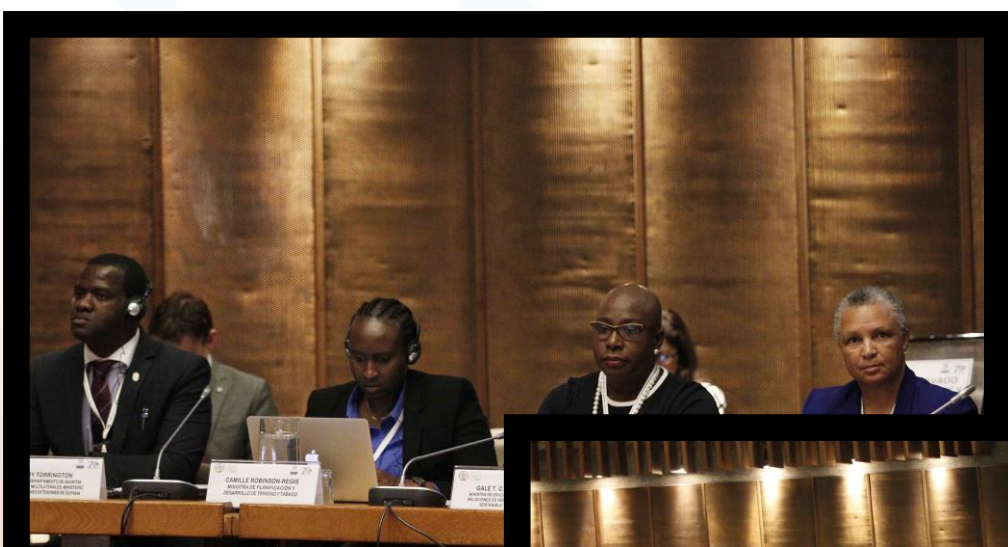
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# The Caribbean in the Regional Forum on Sustainable Development

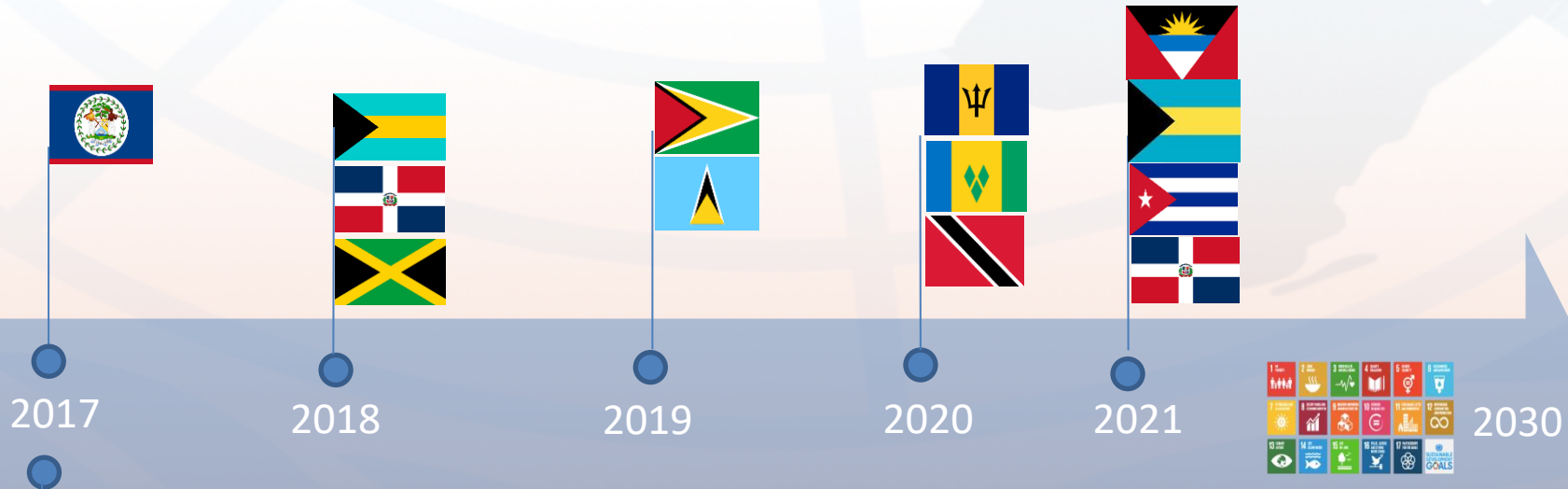
## HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



# The Caribbean participation in the Regional Forum



# 2030 Agenda and its follow-up and review reporting processes: National Voluntary Reviews (NVRs) in the Caribbean



- Development of national mechanisms for the follow-up of the 2030 Agenda
- Integration of SDGs into national development plans
- Improving capacities of national statistics systems for SDG measurement
- Considering the recovery process from COVID-19 pandemic



# Fourth Meeting of the Regional Forum

*“Sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic that promotes the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development: building an inclusive and effective path for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development”*

- **From 15 to 18 March 2021 (Virtual meeting), under the Presidency of Costa Rica**
- **Invitations sent to all member countries, associate members and other stakeholders of Latin America and the Caribbean**
- **Technical Meeting of the Community of Practice on 15 March**
- **Presentation of the document “Building forward better: action to strengthen the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, fourth report on regional progress and challenges in relation to the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean, by the Executive Secretary of ECLAC**
- **Specific panel on Building Forward Better in the Caribbean post-COVID-19: critical issues to keep the 2030 Agenda in sight**
- **Presentation of the Regional Collaborative Platform for Latin America and the Caribbean**
- **10th Meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Committee on South-South Cooperation of ECLAC**
- **Different side-events and activities**

# Fourth Meeting of the Regional Forum

## Preparatory activities of the fourth meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development and side events

### Monday, 15 March

8 a.m. –1 p.m.  
(Costa Rica time, GMT-6)

High-level meeting on the challenges faced by associate members of ECLAC in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with the participation of Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC (9 a.m. – noon)

Meeting of the ECLAC community of practice on voluntary national reviews (technical meeting)

Latin America and the Caribbean civil society meeting prior to the fourth meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (all day)

1–2 p.m.

Meeting of Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, with resident coordinators of the United Nations system in Latin America and the Caribbean

### Monday, 15 March

2–5 p.m.

Meeting of the Regional Collaborative Platform for Latin America and the Caribbean, chaired by Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations

Official activities of the fourth meeting of the Forum of Latin American and Caribbean Countries on Sustainable Development – *“Sustainable and resilient recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic that promotes the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development: building an inclusive and effective path for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development”*

### Tuesday, 16 March

8 a.m. –1 p.m.  
(Costa Rica time, GMT-6)

8–8.45 a.m.  
Opening ceremony

Statements:

- **Alicia Bárcena**, Executive Secretary of ECLAC
- **Amina Mohammed**, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations
- **Carlos Alvarado**, President of the Republic of Costa Rica

Virtual cultural interlude (5 minutes)

8.45–8.50 a.m.

Adoption of the agenda

8.50–9.10 a.m.

Presentation of the document “Building forward better: action to strengthen the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, fourth report on regional progress and challenges in relation to the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean, by the Executive Secretary of ECLAC

9.10–9.40 a.m.

Comments on the report

9.40 a.m. –1 p.m.

Dialogue on a resilient and sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and achieving the 2030 Agenda

Statements by ministers and high-level authorities of the member States of Latin America and the Caribbean and associate members of ECLAC

Presentations by civil society

### Tuesday, 16 March

2–6 p.m.

2–4 p.m.

Building Forward Better in the Caribbean post-COVID-19: critical issues to keep the 2030 Agenda in sight

Virtual cultural interlude from the Caribbean (5 minutes)

4–5 p.m.

Contribution of the United Nations system  
Presentation of the annual regional results report of the United Nations development system

### Wednesday, 17 March

10 a.m. –1 p.m.  
(Costa Rica time, GMT-6)

10 a.m. –1 p.m.

**Panel 1:** Health and the economy  
—a false dichotomy?

### Wednesday, 17 March

2–5 p.m.

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**Panel 2:** Crisis, recovery and transformation in the decade of action for the Sustainable Development Goals

### Thursday, 18 March

8–11.45 a.m.  
(Costa Rica time, GMT-6)

8–9.30 a.m.

Presentation of the Regional Collaborative Platform for Latin America and the Caribbean

- Regional Knowledge Platform on the 2030 Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean (SDG Gateway) and
- Issue-based coalitions and working groups by the Vice-Chairs of the Regional Collaborative Platform for Latin America and the Caribbean

9.30–9.45 a.m.

Intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations of the fourth meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development

9.45–11.45 a.m.

Closing round table “Building an inclusive and effective pathway to achieve the 2030 Agenda within the context of the decade of action and post-pandemic recovery from COVID-19”

### Thursday, 18 March

2–4 p.m.

Tenth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Committee on South-South Cooperation, chaired by Costa Rica

# More information on the website of the Forum:

<https://foroalc2030.cepal.org/2021/en> (launching soon)

Foro de los Países de América Latina y el Caribe sobre el Desarrollo Sostenible 2030

OBJETIVOS SOSTENIBLES

INFORMACIÓN DEL EVENTO | ANTECEDENTES | PROGRAMA | ACTORES | DOCUMENTOS E INFORMES | PRESIDENCIA DEL FORO | CENTRO DE PREGUNTA

Cumplimiento De La Agenda 2030 En America Latina Y El Caribe Se Encuentra En Un Punto Critico: Alicia Bárcena

Plataforma Regional del Conocimiento sobre la Agenda 2030 en América Latina y el Caribe. Un punto de encuentro y referencia para todos los interesados en el desarrollo sostenible (ODS).

Observatorio COVID-19 en América Latina y el Caribe. El nuevo escenario global ante la pandemia de COVID-19 hace que sea necesario tomar medidas e impulsar y evaluar los impactos de estas acciones.

PROGRAMA

22 Abr 09:00 a 12:00 Registro de participantes de la Tercera Reunión del Foro de los Países de América Latina y el Caribe sobre el Desarrollo Sostenible

22 Abr 13:00 Tercera Reunión de la Mesa Directiva de la Conferencia Regional sobre Desarrollo Social de América Latina y el Caribe

INFORME ANUAL SOBRE EL PROGRESO

Informe de avance cuatrimestral sobre el progreso y los desafíos regionales de la Agenda 2030 para el Desarrollo Sostenible en América Latina y el Caribe

ACERCA DEL EVENTO

En este período de sesiones de la Comisión Económica para América Latina y el Caribe (CEPAL), que se celebrará en la Ciudad de México el 22 de agosto de 2021, se celebrará el momento culminante de la resolución T2020/17, y se celebrará una sesión que se celebrará el Foro de los Países de América Latina y el Caribe sobre el Desarrollo Sostenible como mecanismo regional para el seguimiento y la evaluación de la implementación y el cumplimiento de la Agenda 2030 para el Desarrollo Sostenible, los Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible (ODS), sus metas, sus medidas de implementación y su agenda de acción de alto nivel sobre el financiamiento para el desarrollo.

Preguntas frecuentes Ver más Ver más

**We look forward to your active participation  
in the Fourth Meeting of the  
Forum of the Countries  
of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development!**

**THANK YOU!  
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OBRIGADA!  
MERCII!**

