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Practical Information

CONFERENCE VENUE

Convention Center (4th floor) Hilton Mexico City Reforma Hotel. The hotel is located at the historic center of Mexico City.

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REGISTRATION AND SECURITY

Registration will open at 8 a.m. on Monday, June 15, 2015.

For security reasons, all participants are required to present two forms of identification: a) driver license, passport, or other national identification card and b) identification card from your school or institution or an accreditation letter from your institution.

Speakers, discussants, chairs, and staff from Banco de México, World Bank, or other international institution need to present only one form of identification.

PRESS

Press and media representatives are also required to register and show an official ID and their credentials. Freelance journalists must present a letter stating who they are covering the event for.

During keynote addresses and panel sessions, an adjacent room with live transmission will be set up for the press.

INTERPRETATION

English-Spanish interpretation will be available during the keynote addresses and the panel sessions only.

INTERNET ACCESS

Free access will be available. Participants will be given the password at the conference venue.

CONFERENCE MATERIAL

Session papers will be provided on a USB stick in your conference bag and they will be available on the ABCDE website http://www.worldbank.org/abcde2015. Presentations will be available on the conference website after each session has concluded. Hard copies will not be provided.

LUNCHES AND COCKTAIL

Lunches will be served in the Don Alberto 3 room

All participants are invited to a cocktail on Monday, June 15, 2015 from 5:30pm to 7:00pm in the Don Alberto 3 room.

Monday, June 15, 2015

Salón Don Alberto 1

08:00 - 09:00 Registration and Breakfast

09:00 - 09:30 Opening Remarks

Agustín Carstens (Governor, Banco de México)

Luis Videgaray (Minister of Finance, Mexico)

Jorge Familiar (Vice President for Latin America and the Caribbean, World Bank)

Kaushik Basu (Senior Vice President and Chief Economist, World Bank)

09:30 – 10:20 Policy Panel 1 Finance, Productivity, and Development

CHAIR: Henry Tricks (Mexico City Bureau Chief, The Economist)

PANELISTS:

Agustín Carstens (Governor, Banco de México)

Alberto Gómez Alcalá (Executive President of the Mexican Bankers' Association and Executive Director of Research and Communications, Grupo Financiero Banamex-Citigroup, Mexico)

William F. Maloney (World Bank)

10:20 - 10:45 Coffee

10:45 – 12:15 Sessions 1A–1C

Session 1A: Entrepreneurship and Access to Credit

SALÓN DON ALBERTO 1

CHAIR: Daniel Sámano (Banco de México)

"Business is Tough, but Family can be Worse: Experimental Results on Family Constraints and Enterprise Development"

Nathan Fiala (University of Connecticut, United States)

"Opportunity vs Necessity: Understanding the Heterogeneity of Female Micro-Entrepreneurs"

Gabriela Calderón (Banco de México), Leonardo Iacovone (World Bank), and Laura Juárez (Banco de México)

"Psychometric Tests as a Tool to Improve Screening and Access to Credit: Evidence from Perú"

Irani Arráiz (Inter-American Development Bank), Miriam Bruhn (World Bank), and Rodolfo Stucchi (Inter-American Development Bank)

DISCUSSANT: Xavier Giné (World Bank)



Session 1B: Quality of Jobs and Quality of Labor

SALÓN DOÑA SOL

CHAIR: Claudia Sepúlveda (World Bank)

- "Producing Higher Quality Jobs: Enforcement of Mandated Benefits across Brazilian Cities between 1996–2007"
 - Rita Almeida (World Bank and IZA), Pedro Carneiro (University College London, IFS and Cemmap, United Kingdom), and **Renata Narita** (University of São Paulo, Brazil)
- "Long-term Effects of Temporary Labor Demand: Free Trade Zones, Female Education and Marriage Market Outcomes in the Dominican Republic"
 Maria Micaela Sviatschi (Columbia University, United States)
- "Exporting Firms and the Demand for Skilled Tasks"
 Irene Brambilla (Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina), **Daniel Lederman** (World Bank), and Guido Porto (Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina)

DISCUSSANT: David Kaplan (Inter-American Development Bank)



Session 1C: Bribery and Contracts

SALÓN DON JULIÁN

CHAIR: Santiago Guerrero (Banco de México)

"Status and Bribery: Evidence from the Revealed Accounting Records of Two South Korean Presidents"

Yujin Jeong (American University, United States) and Jordan Siegel (Harvard University, United States)

» "Enforcing Public-Private Partnership Contract: Role of Incentive Contract and Fiscal Institution"

Manabu Nose (International Monetary Fund)

"Delivering Justice to the Poor: Theory and Experimental Evidence from Liberia"

Justin Sandefur (Center for Global Development, United States) and **Bilal Siddiqi** (World Bank)

DISCUSSANT: **Alberto Simpser** (Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Mexico)

12:15 – 13:30 Lunch | SALÓN DON ALBERTO 3

Salón Don Alberto 1

13:30 – 14:20 Keynote Address 1: Phishing for Phools

CHAIR: **Alberto Torres** (Banco de México)

SPEAKER: George Akerlof (Georgetown University, United States)

14:20 - 14:45 Coffee

14:45 – 16:15 Sessions 2A–2B

Session 2A: Growth and Productivity

SALÓN DOÑA SOL

CHAIR: Gabriela Calderón (Banco de México)

"Organizational Barriers to Technology Adoption: Evidence from Soccer-Ball Producers in Pakistan"

David Atkin (Yale University, United Sates), Azam Chaudhry (Lahore School of Economics, Pakistan), Shamyla Chaudry (Lahore School of Economics, Pakistan), Amit K. Khandelwal (Columbia University, United States), and **Eric Verhoogen** (Columbia University, United States)

"Making Do with What You Have: Conflict, Firm Performance and Input Misallocation in Palestine"

Francesco Amodio (Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain) and **Michele Di Maio** (University of Naples "Parthenope", Italy)

"Key Sectors in Economic Development: A Perspective from Input-Output Linkages and Cross-Sector Misallocation"

Julio Leal (Banco de México)

DISCUSSANT: Laura Alfaro (Harvard University, United States)

Session 2B: Leadership and Internal Strive

SALÓN DON JULIÁN

CHAIR: Yongmei Zou (World Bank)

» "A Theory of Authority"

Robert Akerlof (University of Warwick, United Kingdom)

» "All in the Family: State Capture in Tunisia"

Bob Rijkers (World Bank), Caroline Freund (The Peterson Institute of International Economics, United States), and Antonio Nucifora (World Bank)

"Ethnic Divisions, Political Institutions and the Duration of Declines: A Political Economy Theory of Delayed Recovery"

Richard Bluhm (Leibniz University Hannover, Germany) and Kaj Thomsson (Maastricht University, The Netherlands)

DISCUSSANT: Stuti Khemani (World Bank)

16:15 - 16:40 Coffee

Salón Don Alberto 1

16:40 – 17:30 Keynote Address 2: History, Development, and Human Rights Law

CHAIR: Indermit Gill (World Bank)

SPEAKER: **Eric Posner** (University of Chicago, United States)

17:30 – 19:00 Cocktails | SALÓN DON ALBERTO 3

20:00 - 22:00 Dinner (By Invitation Only)

Tuesday, June 16, 2015

Salón Don Alberto 1

08:00 – 09:00 Registration and Breakfast

09:00 – 09:50 Policy Panel 2: Governance, Infrastructure, and the Law

CHAIR: Gerardo Corrochano (World Bank)

PANELISTS:

Emilio Lozoya (General Director, Petróleos Mexicanos, PEMEX)

Abraham Zamora (Director, Banobras Bank, Mexico)

Luis Felipe Lopez-Calva (World Bank)

09:50 - 10:15 Coffee

10:15 – 11:45 Sessions 3A–3C

Session 3A: Law and the Delivery of Justice

SALÓN DON ALBERTO 1

CHAIR: Luis Felipe López-Calva (World Bank)

- "Reforming the Speed of Justice: Evidence from an Event Study in Senegal"
 Florence Kondylis (World Bank) and Mattea Stein (Paris School of Economics, France)
- "Enlisting Employees in Improving Payroll-Tax Compliance: Evidence from Mexico"

Todd Kumler (Cornerstone Research, United States), **Eric Verhoogen** (Columbia University, United States), and Judith Frías (Instituto Mexicano del Seguro Social (IMSS), Mexico)

"Law and Finance Matter: Lessons from Externally Imposed Courts"
James R. Brown (Iowa State University, United States), J. Anthony
Cookson (University of Colorado, Boulder, United States), and Rawley Z.
Heimer (Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, United States)

DISCUSSANT: **Joyce Sadka** (Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Mexico)

Session 3B: Infrastructure, Competition, and Growth

SALÓN DOÑA SOL

CHAIR: Fernando Pérez (Banco de México)

"Subways and Urban Growth: Evidence from Earth"
Marco González Navarro (University of Toronto, Canada) and Matthew A.

Turner (Brown University, United States)

» "Highway to Success in India: The Impact of the Golden Quadrilateral Project for the Location and Performance of Manufacturing"

Ejaz Ghani (World Bank), **Arti Grover Goswami** (World Bank), and William R. Kerr (Harvard University, United States)

"The Complementarity between ICT Use and Competition in Mexico" Leonardo Iacovone (World Bank), Mariana Pereira-Lopez (Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico), and Marc Schiffbauer (World Bank)

DISCUSSANT: Remi Jedwab (George Washington University, United States)



Session 3C: Health, Education, and Child Labor

SALÓN DON JULIÁN

CHAIR: Laura Juárez (Banco de México)

"The Effect of Publicly Provided Health Insurance on Education Outcomes in Mexico"

Carlo Alcaraz, Daniel Chiquiar, María José Orraca, and **Alejandrina Salcedo** (Banco de México)

"Long-Term Effects of Child Labour Bans on Adult Outcomes: Evidence from Brazil"

Caio Piza (World Bank) and André Portela Souza (Escola de Economia de São Paulo, Brazil)

"Perverse Consequences of Well-Intentioned Regulation: Evidence from India's Child Labor Ban"

Prashant Bharadwaj (University of California, San Diego, United States), Leah K. Lakdawala (Michigan State University, United States), and Nicholas Li (University of Toronto, Canada)

DISCUSSANT: **Susan Parker** (Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, Mexico)

11:45 – 12:10 Coffee

Salón Don Alberto 1

12:10 – 13:00 Keynote Address 3: Gains from Foreign Direct Investment: Macro and

Micro Approaches

CHAIR: Ana María Aguilar (Banco de México)

SPEAKER: Laura Alfaro (Harvard University, United States)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch | SALÓN DON ALBERTO 3

14:00 – 15:30 Sessions 4A–4B

Session 4A: Environment and Firm's Productivity

SALÓN DOÑA SOL

CHAIR: Florence Kondylis (World Bank)

"The Light and the Heat: Productivity Co-benefits of Energy-saving Technology"

Achyuta Adhvaryu (University of Michigan, United States), Namrata Kala (Yale University, United States), and Anant Nyshadham (University of Southern California, United States)

- "Environmental Regulation and Industrial Performance: Evidence from China"
 Shinsuke Tanaka (Tufts University, United States), Wesley Yin (University of California, Los Angeles and NBER, United States), and Gary H. Jefferson (Brandeis University, United States)
- "From Firm Productivity Dynamics to Aggregate Efficiency"
 Bernabé López Martin (Banco de México)

DISCUSSANT: Andrew Foster (Brown University, United States)

Session 4B: Trade Agreements and Trade Performance

SALÓN DON JULIÁN

CHAIR: Indermit Gill (World Bank)

- "Deep Trade Agreements and Vertical FDI: The Devil is in the Details"
 Alberto Osnago (Bocconi University, Italy and World Bank), Nadia Rocha (World Trade Organization), and Michele Ruta (World Bank)
- "Assortative Matching of Exporters and Importers"
 Yoichi Sugita (Institute of Developing Economies, Japan), Kensuke
 Teshima (Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Mexico), and Enrique
 Seira (Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Mexico)
- "The Effect of Credit on the Export Performance of Colombian Exporters" Danielken Molina (Inter-American Development Bank) and Mónica Roa (Pennsylvania State University, United States)

DISCUSSANT: Bob Rijkers (World Bank)

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee

Salón Don Alberto 1

15:45 – 17:15 Experiments Lab

Cooperation and Betrayal in the Laboratory

CHAIR: Kaushik Basu (Senior Vice President and Chief Economist, World

Bank)

SPEAKER: Klaus Abbink (Monash University, Australia)

17:15 – 17:45 Concluding Remarks

Manuel Sánchez (Deputy Governor, Banco de México)

Kaushik Basu (Senior Vice President and Chief Economist, World Bank)



Klaus Abbink is Professor of Economics at Monash University, Australia. Before joining Monash, Klaus held positions at IAE-CSIC and UPF Barcelona (Spain), and the Universities of Nottingham (UK), Amsterdam (The Netherlands) and East Anglia (UK), where he was Director of the Centre for Behavioural and Experimental Social Science (CBESS). His research interests are in experimental and behavioral economics. He has worked on many areas

including (anti-)social preferences, conflict, political economy and corruption, auctions and markets and development economics. He has published in leading economics journals like the American Economic Review, Games and Economic Behavior, European Economic Review, and the Journal of Development Studies. He received his doctoral degree from the University of Bonn (Germany).



Achyuta Adhvaryu is Assistant Professor at the University of Michigan Ross School of Business. He pursues three interrelated agendas in his research: 1) firm decision-making and the resulting productivity dynamics in emerging markets; 2) healthcare delivery in low-income contexts; and 3) the long-run economic impacts of early life events.



Ana María Aguilar is the Head of the Directorate of Economic Studies at Banco de México. She is in charge of the analysis of the monetary policy, and of the relation between the Directorate General of Economic Research and the national and international academic sector. She has also been lecturer at the Mexico Autonomous Institute of Technology (Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, ITAM), from which she originally graduated. She holds a PhD in

Economics from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).



George Akerlof is University Professor at Georgetown University. His research is based in economics, but it often draws from other disciplines, including psychology, anthropology, and sociology. He played an important role in the development of behavioral economics. In 2001 he was co-recipient of the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences, along with Michael Spence and Joseph Stiglitz. In 2009 Professor Akerlof published *Animal Spirits*, with

Robert Shiller; and in 2010, *Identity Economics*, with Rachel Kranton. He is currently finishing a new book, again with Shiller, with the title *Phishing for Phools*. Prior to joining Georgetown, Professor Akerlof taught, with only brief interruption, at the University of California at Berkeley from 1966 to 2010. He was Visiting Scholar at the IMF from 2010 to 2014. He has been senior economist at the President's Council of Economic Advisers, and past president, vice president and member of the executive committee of the American Economic Association, and member of the

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Robert Akerlof is Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Warwick. Prior to joining Warwick, he was a postdoctoral fellow at MIT Sloan School of Management. His research focuses on contract theory, organizational economics, and sociology and economics. He received his BA from Yale in economics and mathematics, and his PhD from Harvard.



Laura Alfaro is the Warren Albert Professor at Harvard Business School in the Business, Government, and International Economy Unit. She was Minister of National Planning and Economic Policy in Costa Rica from 2010—2012. She is also Research Associate in the National Bureau of Economic Research's International Macroeconomics and Finance Program, Member of the Latin-American Financial Regulatory Committee (CLAAF, Comité Latinoamericano de

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Irani Arráiz is a Senior Evaluation Economist at the Multilateral Investment Fund of the InterAmerican Development Bank. Her most recent work includes impact evaluation of social and agricultural programs and programs aimed at increasing competitiveness of SME in Latin America. Her current work includes impact evaluations of a microfranchise program and a training of microenterprises using heuristics. She holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the

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Kaushik Basu is Senior Vice President and Chief Economist of the World Bank. Prior to this, he served as Chief Economic Adviser to the Government of India and is currently on leave from Cornell University where he is Professor of Economics and the C. Marks Professor of International Studies. Mr. Basu is a Fellow of the Econometric Society and received India's Padma Bhushan award as well as the National Mahalanobis Memorial award. Mr. Basu's contributions

span development economics, welfare economics, industrial organization and game theory. In addition to Cornell, he has taught at the Delhi School of Economics, Harvard, Princeton and MIT. He has published widely, including more than 160 papers in refereed journals and scholarly volumes, and has contributed articles to many widely read magazines and newspapers. He has authored several books including Beyond the Invisible Hand: Groundwork for a new Economics (Princeton University Press and Penguin). Mr. Basu holds a PhD in economics from the London School of Economics. He is the second World Bank Chief Economist from a developing country and the first from India.



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Richard Bluhm is an Assistant Professor of macroeconomics at Leibniz University Hanover in Germany, and an Affiliated Researcher at Maastricht University's School of Governance and the United Nations University's social research institute (UNU-MERIT) in the Netherlands. His main research fields are economic growth, political economy, applied econometrics, and poverty and inequality. Recent works focus on the role of ethnic heterogeneity and

political institutions in determining the duration of crises, regional inequality and convergence, as well as the econometrics of poverty elasticities. He holds a PhD in economics and an MPP degree from Maastricht University in the Netherlands. At Leibniz University.



James R. Brown is the lowa Bankers Fellow and Associate Professor of Finance in the College of Business at Iowa State University. His primary research program focuses on the financing of innovation and the institutional determinants of economic performance. His most recent work explores the cross-country determinants of R&D investment and the causal linkages between law, finance, and economic growth. His research has been published

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Gabriela Calderón is an economic researcher at the Directorate General of Economic Research in Banco de México. In her research she seeks to understand the behavior of firms, households and individuals facing directly or indirectly effects of policy interventions in order to shed light on the potential impacts of these. Her research has focused on drug-trafficking violence, micro-entrepreneurship, innovation and education. Before moving to the

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Agustín Carstens began his professional career in 1980 at Banco de México, where he has held many positions and serves as Governor since January 1, 2010. Among other distinguished positions, he has also served as executive director at the IMF (1999–2000), deputy finance minister (2000–2003), deputy managing director at the IMF (2003–2006), minister of finance (2006–2009), member of the Steering Committee of the G-20 Financial

Stability Board (since 2010), member of the Board of Directors of the BIS (since 2011), Chairman of the BIS Economic Consultative Council and the Global Economy Meeting (since 2013) and Chairman of the International Monetary and Financial Committee (since 2015). He was named Central Bank Governor of the Year by the Banker magazine (2012) and Euromoney magazine (2013). In 2013, he received from the University of Chicago the Professional Achievement Award as distinguished alumnae. Dr. Carstens holds a M.A. (1983) and a Ph.D. (1985) in economics from the University of Chicago, and received his B.A. (summa cum laude) from the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México.



Gerardo Corrochano is Country Director of the World Bank for Colombia and México. He joined the Bank in 1990 and since the has held various positions in the Latin America and Caribbean, Africa, and Europe and Central Asia Regions as well as in the Finance and Private Sector Development Network (FPD). His most recent assignment was that of Sector Director for Finance and Private Sector in Europe and Central Asia as well as FPD Director

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Jorge Familiar is the Vice President of the World Bank for Latin America and the Caribbean. He is the first Latin American to be appointed to that position in the last 30 years. Between August 2010 and April 2014, Familiar was Vice President and Corporate Secretary of the World Bank Group. Previously, he devoted his efforts to financial inclusion as Chief Executive Officer of Mexico's Instituto del Fondo Nacional para el Consumo de los

Trabajadores (Instituto FONACOT). Between 2004 and 2008 he served as Executive Director and Alternate Executive Director for the World Bank Group in Washington, DC, having been elected to represent Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Spain and Venezuela. Familiar lectured on finance at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) and holds a bachelor's degree in accounting and a master's degree in finance from the same university, where he graduated with honors.



Nathan Fiala is an Assistant Professor at the University of Connecticut, in the department of Agricultural and Resource Economics. He studies microenterprise development and training programs in Africa and Asia. His research focuses on the role of entrepreneurs in developing countries in order to understand the constraints and difficulties they face and the role they play in broader economic growth. He has conducted over a dozen impact evaluations

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Andrew Foster is Professor of Economics, Professor of Health Services, Policy and Practice, and Director of the Population Studies and Training Center at Brown University. He is an empirical microeconomist with interests in the areas of population, environment, development, and health. Recent work has examined economic growth in rural India, exploring such issues as growth in the non-farm economy, the effects of local democratization, groundwater

usage, forest cover, household structure, inequality, and schooling. He also is working on economic inequality and mobility in India and Bangladesh. He is the President of the Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development and serves as the editor of the World Bank Economic Review and on the World Bank Research Committee. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of California at Berkeley.



Indermit Gill is Director for Development Policy in the World Bank's Office of the Chief Economist. Before this, he was the Chief Economist for Europe and Central Asia, and the Director of the 2009 World Development Report on Economic Geography. He has also worked in the East Asia and Pacific and the Latin America and Caribbean regional offices of the World Bank. He has a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Chicago, and an MA from the Delhi

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Xavier Gine is a Lead Economist in the Finance and Private Sector Development Team of the Development Research Group at the World Bank. Since joining the World Bank, his research has focused on access to financial services and rural financial markets. In recent papers he investigated the impact of microfinance services such as business training and financial literacy, microinsurance, microsavings and the impact of financial disclosure

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and Editor responsible for all of Banamex-Citigroup's economic, political and social publications. He has participated actively in Grupo Banamex's strategic planning efforts and his work has

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Santiago Guerrero is Economic Researcher at the Mexican Central Bank. He is an applied microeconomist who specializes in the economics of regulation and resource economics. His research is broad and ranges from studying the effects of environmental and energy non-conventional regulations to price dynamics in distorted markets. His most recent work evaluates how energy price regulations in developing countries affect consumption and growth. He

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Rémi Jedwab is an assistant professor of Economics and International Affairs at the Elliott School and the Department of Economics of George Washington University. Professor Jedwab's main field of research is development economics, though his work also has strong urban economics and political economy themes. Some of the issues he has studied include urbanization and structural transformation, the economic effects of

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Yujin Jeong is an Assistant Professor of International Business at the American University Kogod School of Business. Professor Jeong's main research interest is in understanding the causes and consequences of corruption in international business. This has led Professor Jeong to focus on analyzing the supply-side determinants of corruption, the company-related consequences of corruption, and the social welfare consequences of

corruption. Her studies on high-level bribery between firms and the Iraqi government during the U.N. Oil-for-Food Program have been published in Strategic Management Journal (2012) and *International Handbook on the Economics of Corruption Volume Two* (ed. Susan Rose-Ackerman and Tina Tina Søreide, Elgar 2011). In 2011, Professor Jeong was named a finalist for the Academy of Management's Wiley Blackwell Outstanding Dissertation Award in Business Policy and Strategy.



Laura Juárez is a researcher at the Directorate General of Economic Research in Banco de Mexico. She is an applied economist specialized in Labor and Public Economics. Her work examines the effect of government programs on the decisions of individuals and households, with a special focus on the elderly, and the functioning of labor markets in Mexico. Before joining Banco de Mexico, she was an Assistant Professor of Economics at ITAM in

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- » Nueva Imagen
- » Excelencia

TERMINAL 2:

- » Porto Taxi, Stand 300
- » Nueva Imagen
- » Excelencia
- » Confort
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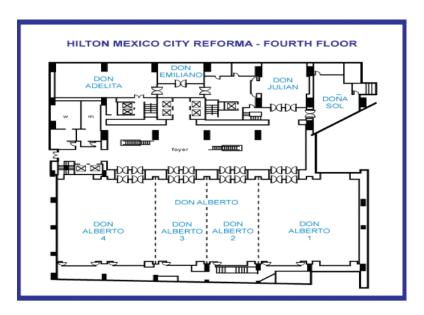
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- » Don Alberto 1 Plenary room and Parallel session room.
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- » Don Alberto 3 Lunch and cocktail room
- » Doña Sol Parallel session room
- » Don Julián Parallel session room



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