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Side Event

A Climate Action-oriented State: new tools and capacities for transformative public management

Enrique V. Iglesias Room
ECLAC Headquarters Santiago de Chile
Wednesday, 17 April 2024
1:00 p.m.- 2:30 p.m. Santiago, Chile

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Background

A State oriented towards inclusive and sustainable development must have the capacity to formulate and implement strategies to simultaneously achieve economic, social, and environmental goals. To achieve this, it must rely on efficient and effective public institutions that operate with probity, transparency, and a high degree of accountability. In this context, the institutional capacity of governments—the public administration—is key to strengthening public management systems and aligning them with internationally agreed objectives to address the climate crisis.

The complexity of the challenges nations faces today associated with the deepening climate crisis increases the need for quality public management, with a comprehensive and long-term view and effective and efficient administration of State resources. In this context, this event seeks to present and discuss opportunities, progress, and challenges from the perspective of public management for a transformation that integrates climate action, understood both as working to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions causing global warming and to strengthen resilience and adaptation to the physical effects of climate change.

As stated in ECLAC's 2023 Public Management Outlook, it is imperative to incorporate actions to address the climate challenge in all stages of public management. This includes actions to improve and align public planning with medium and long-term climate goals; allocate and ensure adequate budgets; advance in the development of resilient public infrastructure and investment that avoids technological lock-ins; carry out proper monitoring and evaluation mechanisms for public policies related to climate objectives and create or improve some public functions to achieve this. All this must be implemented within a framework of transparency and collaboration among the various actors in society so that interventions adequately address the challenges of all people, particularly those in vulnerable situations, and future generations.

This event is part of the activities of the project *"Resilient and Inclusive Public Management Systems for Sustainable Development in Latin America and the Caribbean"* of the United Nations Development Account.

Objectives

1. Discuss opportunities, progress, and challenges from the perspective of public management for a transformation that integrates climate action and promote the exchange of experiences, best practices, and knowledge in these matters and their importance for accelerating the fulfillment of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (with emphasis on SDGs 13 and 16).
2. Exam the actions implemented by the Latin American and the Caribbean countries to improve and align public planning with medium and long-term climate goals; allocate and ensure adequate budgets; advance the development of resilient public infrastructure and investment; carry out proper monitoring and evaluation of public policies related to climate objectives and create or improve some public functions to achieve this.
3. Discuss how open government, transparency, and collaboration among the various actors in society contribute to design and implement public interventions that adequately address the challenges of all people, particularly those in vulnerable situations, and future generations.

Duration

The event will last 1 hour and 30 minutes.

Language

Spanish-English interpretation will be available.

Program

13:00 - 13:10	Welcome remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jose M Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
13:10 -13:20	Presentation of the Public Management Outlook in Latin America and the Caribbean: A State oriented towards climate action <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Cielo Morales, Director, Latin American and the Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning, ECLAC
13:20 - 14:00	The climate challenge in public management: national experiences <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Carlos Mendoza, Secretary General of Guatemala (long-term planning aligned with climate objectives) (tbc)• Sra. Javiera Martínez; Budget Director of the Ministry of Finance of Chile• Martín Francos, General Director of Public Investment of the Ministry of Economy, Planning and Development (MEPyD) Dominican Republic (investment aligned with climate action)• Mr. Samuel Carrette, Climate Resilience Coordinator, Ministry of Finance, Economic Development, Climate Resilience and Social Security of Dominica• Representatives of Jamaica (tbc) Moderator: Valeria Torres, Chief of the Public Management and Open Government Area, Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning, ECLAC
14:00- 14:20	Transparency and the open government approach for climate action-oriented public management <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Valeria Lübbert; Executive Secretary of the Presidential Advisory Commission on Public Integrity and Transparency of the General Secretariat Ministry of the Presidency of Chile and representative of OGP Chile

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Manuel Henríquez, Executive Director, Fiscal Expenditure Observatory of Chile <p>Moderator: Ms. Alejandra Naser, Open Government specialist of the Public Management and Open Government Area, Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning, ECLAC</p>
14:20 – 14:30	<p>Conclusions and closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Santiago Lorenzo, Chief, Climate Change Unit, Division of Sustainable Development and Human Settlements, ECLAC (tbc) • Ms. Cielo Morales, Director, Latin American and the Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning, ECLAC