EU-CELAC RELATIONS: CREATING CERTAINTY IN THE FACE OF COMMON GLOBAL CHALLENGES

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PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER 2024

09h00 – 09h45 OPENING SESSION

- **Juan Carlos Moreno Piñero.** Director of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation.
- **Fray Guillermo Cerrato.** Prior of the Royal Monastery of Santa María de Guadalupe.
- **Isabel Belloso Bueso**. Director of the Extremaduran Agency for International Development Cooperation (AEXCID). Regional Government of Extremadura.
- **Marlon Brevé Reyes.** Ambassador of Honduras to Spain and Pro Tempore Presidency of CELAC.
- **Katalin Tóth.** Ambassador of Hungary to Spain, Presidency of the EU Council.
- **Fernando Mariano Sampedro Marcos.** Secretary of State for the European Union. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation of the Government of Spain

BLOCK 1: FOLLOW-UP ON THE RESULTS OF THE EU-CELAC SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT, JULY 2023, UNDER THE SPANISH PRESIDENCY OF THE EU COUNCIL

The EU-CELAC Summit 2023, held under the slogan "Renewing the bi-regional partnership to strengthen peace and sustainable development", aimed to further strengthen the EU's bi-regional partnership with CELAC countries around shared priorities such as the digital and green transitions, the fight against climate change and biodiversity loss, health, food security, migration, security and governance, and the fight against transnational crime. The summit highlighted the importance of reinforcing the link between both sides of the Atlantic and jointly defending shared values "such as democracy, multilateralism, the rule-based international order, the rule of law, and social justice". EU and CELAC leaders committed to renewing their long-standing partnership, based on common values and interests, as well as close economic, social, and cultural ties.

The summit set out a roadmap, the implementation and future of which must be analysed in light of the evolving global challenges in a rapidly changing world, to define how we can work together to respond and share solutions.

09h45 – 10h00. KEYNOTE ADDRESS: EU-LAC Relations Today as an Example of a Shared Values Common Destination and Defence of Multilateralism

- **Annika Lotson López.** Head for Latin America and the Caribbean. Member of the Cabinet of the High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy of the European Union and Vice-President of the European Commission (15')

Debate (15')

10h30-11h30 ROUND TABLE: Global Peace and Security

- **Carlos Malamud**. Senior analyst at the Elcano Royal Institute and full professor of American History at the National University of Distance Education. (20')
- **Érika Rodríguez Pinzón.** Director of the Carolina Foundation. (20')

Debate (30')

11h30 -12h00 Break

12h00-13h30 ROUND TABLE: Commerce, Digital Transformation, and the Investment Agenda of GLOBAL GATEWAY

- **Cristian Ghymers.** President of IRELAC - Interdisciplinary Institute for Relations between Europe, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Vice-President of Robert Triffin International – RTI/UCLouvain. (10')
- **Ramón Jáuregui Atondo.** President of Euroamérica Foundation and Member of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste. (10')
- **Pablo Chiesa.** Specialist in Strategic Alliances, Inter-American Development Bank, Europe Office. (10')
- **Laurent Sillano.** Adviser for Latin America, the Caribbean, and Relations with all Overseas Countries and Territories at the Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA), European Commission. (10')

Debate (45')

13h30 – 14h.30 ROUND TABLE: Green Transition, Climate Change Mitigation, and Sustainable Development

- **Mónica Corrales Rodrígáñez.** Advisory member in the Water and Sanitation Cooperation Fund Department, Directorate of Cooperation with Latin America and the Caribbean, AECID. (10')
- **Luis Planas Herrera.** Director-General for Environment (ENV). European Commission. (10')
- **Isabel Belloso Bueso.** Director of the Extremaduran Agency for International Development Cooperation (AEXCID). Regional Government of Extremadura. (10')

Debate (30')

14h30 Lunch break

16h00 –17h30 ROUND TABLE: Justice and Security for Citizens. Governance Models to Create Certainty

- **Susanne Gratius.** Professor of International Relations at the Autonomous University of Madrid. (10')
- **Juan Martínez Moya.** Member of the Coordination and Monitoring Committee of the Ibero-American Judicial Summit. (10')

Debate (30')

17h30 End of the first session.

18h00 Visit to the Royal Monastery of Santa María de Guadalupe

Friday, 22ND NOVEMBER 2024

BLOCK 2: OUTCOMES OF THE 29TH IBERO-AMERICAN SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT, NOVEMBER 2024

09h00 – 09h30 PRESENTATION OF THE RESULTS AND ANALYSIS OF THE 29TH IBERO-AMERICAN SUMMIT. Innovation, Inclusion, and Sustainability in Ibero-America.

- **José Frederico Ludovice.** Deputy Secretary-General. Ibero-American General Secretariat (SEGIB). (20')

09h00 – 09h30 PANEL DISCUSSION ON THE IBERO-AMERICAN SUMMIT. Innovation, Inclusion, and Sustainability in Ibero-America: Present and Future.

- **Mariano Jabonero.** Secretary General of the Organization of Ibero-American States (OEI) and Member of the Board of Trustees of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation. (15')
- **Carmen Fernández Torres**. Ambassadress-at-Large for Summits and the Ibero-American Space; Secretary of State for Ibero-America, the Caribbean, and Spanish Worldwide, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union, and Cooperation of the Spanish Government. (15')
- **José Frederico Ludovice**. Ibero-American Deputy Secretary-General (SEGIB). (15')
- **Wilma Andrade.** Ambassadress of Ecuador to Spain. (15')

Debate (50')

11h00 -11h30 Break

BLOCK 3: LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE OF CELAC-EU RELATIONS

Taking into account the outcomes and follow-up of the EU-CELAC Summit in July 2023 and the 29th Ibero-American Summit, this block aims to identify and analyse the main global and current issues and challenges for the European Union and Latin America and the Caribbean. It will consider how we can collaborate and what we can achieve together in preparation for the CELAC-EU Summit in Bogotá in 2025 and the next Ibero-American Summit in Spain in 2026.

11h30 - 13h00 ROUND TABLE. The 2025 EU-CELAC Summit in the Current International Geopolitical Context

- **Santiago Mejía Idárraga.** Minister Counsellor in charge of Political Affairs at the Embassy of Colombia. (10')
- **Elena Nevado del Campo.** Vice-President of EUROLAT- Parliamentary Assembly EU-LAC of the European Parliament. (10')

- **Juan Carlos Gafo Acevedo.** Ambassador in special mission for the Caribbean. Secretariat of State for Ibero-America and the Caribbean and Spanish around the World. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union, and Cooperation of the Government of Spain. (10')

Debate (45')

12h00- 14h00- ROUND TABLE. Priorities and Areas of interest for the 2025 - 2026 Period: EU-CELAC

- **Alberto Brunori.** Director of EU-LAC Foundation. (15')
- **Pablo Hurtado Pardo.** Director-General for External Action. Regional Government of Extremadura. (15')
- **María Jimena Durán Sanín.** Senior Executive of the Europe, Asia, and Middle East Office at CAF. (15')

Debate (45')

13h45 CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSING

- **Monika Krzepkowska.** Chargé d'Affaires. Embassy of Poland in Spain. Six-month Presidency of the EU Council in the first half of 2025
- **Pablo Hurtado Pardo.** Director-General for External Action, Regional Government of Extremadura.
- **Santiago Mejía Idárraga.** Minister Counsellor in charge of Political Affairs at the Embassy of Colombia in Spain. Presidency of CELAC in 2025.

14h15 End of the event and lunch

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