

Regional consultation for the Americas on draft guidelines on the effective implementation of the right to participate in public affairs

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Welcome, introduction and opening remarks

Opening remarks by **Mr Antonio Prado**, Deputy Secretary of Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

Opening remarks by **Mr Amerigo Incalcaterra**, Regional Representative for South America of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)

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Session 1: The right to participate in public affairs: scope, content, and related guidance at the international, regional and national levels

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Session 2: Ensuring an enabling environment for the effective exercise of the right to participate in public affairs: pre-requisites

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Session 3: Enjoyment of the equal right to participate in public affairs by all: overcoming challenges, creating opportunities and sharing good practices	
Ms Alexandra Ocles (Ecuador)	Member of the Parliament of Ecuador. Former State Minister, Department of People, Social Movements and Citizen Participation.
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Session 4: Various forms and levels of participation, including emerging new forms	
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Session 5: The right to participate at the regional and international level, including within international organizations		
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