EU- LAC Economic Forum
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♦ 2nd Edition ♦

PROGRAMME

9.00-9.15 Welcome Remarks:
- **Guntram Wolff**, Director, Bruegel
- **Emilio Lamo de Espinosa**, President, Elcano
- **Bert Hoffmann**, Head of Berlin Office, GIGA

9.15-10.00 Session I. – Opening speeches by
- **Neven Mimica**, European Commissioner for Development and Cooperation
- **Guillermo Fernández de Soto**, Corporate Director for Europe, CAF
Followed by Q&A
Chair: **Guntram Wolff**, Director, Bruegel

10.00-11.15 Session II. Sectoral opportunities of EU-LAC relations: Telecom Infrastructure, connectivity and the effects of digitalisation on EU-LAC relations
Chair: **Carlos Malamud**, Senior analyst, Elcano
Panel: **Juan Jung**, Director of Public Policy, ASIET - Asociación Interamericana de Empresas de Telecomunicaciones
**Scott Marcus**, Senior Fellow, Bruegel
**Fabio Nasarre de Letosa**, Senior legal expert, European Commission, DG CONNECT

11.15-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-13.00 Session III. Cultural and academic ties: how to increase the economic and political benefits of exchange?
Chair: **Bert Hoffmann**, Head of Berlin Office, GIGA
Keynote: **Sylvie Durán**, Minister for Culture, Costa Rica
Panel: **Angel Badillo**, Senior Analyst, Elcano
**Elisa Grafulla**, Cluster Development Director, European Union of National Institutes of Culture – EUNIC
**Anne Sperschneider**, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

13.00-13.45 Lunch
13.45-15.30 Session IV. EU- LAC economic cooperation in a Global context: Trade, investment and the EU-CINA race for Latin American markets

Chair: Maria Demertzis, Deputy Director, Bruegel
Presentation by: Alicia García-Herrero, Senior Fellow, Bruegel
Panel: Federico Bonaglia, Deputy Director, OECD Development Centre
Angel Carro-Castrillo, Senior Advisor, Strategic Planning Division, EEAS (final confirmation pending)
Gonzalo Gutiérrez, Ambassador of Peru to the Kingdom of Belgium, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg and to the EU
Detlef Nolte, Professor, GIGA Institute of Latin American