



## **Global Risks and Political Uncertainty: The Impact on Latin America's Growth Prospects**

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10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

### **Speaker Bios (in alphabetical order):**



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**Executive Vice President**  
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Mr. Lowery was previously a Managing Director at Rock Creek Global Advisors, an international economic policy advisory firm, where he focused on international banking regulation, sovereign debt, macroeconomic policies, exchange rates, and investment policy policy—including national security reviews. Prior to that Mr. Lowery held multiple positions at the U.S. Treasury Department, culminating in serving as the Assistant Secretary for International Affairs. In this role, Mr. Lowery managed a 200-person team and was responsible for economic and financial diplomacy, monetary and banking issues, currency strategy, and trade and investment practices. Mr. Lowery received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia (Phi Beta Kappa) and his MSc at the London School of Economics.



**Eric Parrado Herrera**  
**Chief Economist &**  
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Before joining the IDB in March of 2019, Mr. Parrado was a professor of economics and finance at the ESE Business School of the Universidad de los Andes in Santiago, Chile. Mr. Parrado is a visiting professor at Oxford University and the Central European University, and a member of the World Economic Forum's Global Future Council on Financial and Monetary Systems. From 2014 to 2018 he was the Superintendent of Banks and Financial

Institutions in Chile, where he promoted reforms such as the modernization of banking legislation and the creation of new instruments for financial inclusion. Between 2011 and 2014, he was advisor to the Financial Committee that counsels the Ministry of Finance on the investment policy of Chile's sovereign wealth funds. Between 2007 and 2010, he was International Finance Coordinator of the Chilean Ministry of Finance, managing Chile's sovereign wealth funds and playing a key role in the development and promotion of best practices for the world's sovereign wealth funds. Mr. Parrado, a Chilean national, has a degree in commercial engineering from the University of Chile and holds a master's and doctorate in economics from New York University.



**Atsi Sheth**  
**Managing Director of Credit Strategy and Research**  
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Atsi Sheth serves as the Chief Credit Officer for the Americas. Prior to this, she was Managing Director in Moody's Sovereign Risk Group, responsible for the teams covering the Americas, Asia Pacific and Middle East. Before rejoining Moody's in 2011, she was Chief Economist at Reliance Capital. During Atsi's previous tenure at Moody's from 1997 to 2007, she worked in the Credit Policy and Sovereign Risk groups, covering countries in Asia, Africa and Europe. Atsi has taught International Political Economy and Emerging Markets at Columbia University in New York and has been associated with non-profit agencies in micro finance and housing. Atsi has a PhD from Northwestern University and a B.A. from Bombay University.



**Krishna Srinivasan**  
**Deputy Director of the Western Hemisphere Department**  
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In Krishna's capacity, he oversees the institution's work on several countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, WHD's research activities, and its flagship product, Regional Economic Outlook (REO) for Latin America and the Caribbean. He is a co-editor of two recent books: Brazil—Boom, Bust and the Road to Recovery; and Unleashing Growth and Strengthening Resilience in the Caribbean. Before joining WHD, he was previously in the European Department, serving as the IMF's mission chief for the United Kingdom and Israel, and before that in the Research Department, where he led the IMF's work on the G-20 and was the editor of an IMF book Global Rebalancing: A Roadmap for Economic Recovery. Krishna has been with the IMF since 1994 and has served in several departments across the institution. He secured his PhD in International Finance from Indiana University and a Masters from the Delhi School of Economics, India, and has published several papers both at the IMF and in leading academic journals.