



Theories and practices to implement circular and ecologically oriented economic systems and build a fairer society

Talks between Europe and South America

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Francisco Alburquerque Llorens, Andalusian, born in Córdoba (Spain) in 1944, has a master's degree in Development and Public Policy. He is currently coordinator of the scientific committee of the Territorial Development Network for Latin America and the Caribbean (DETE Network), and advisor on Local Economic Development. He worked at the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning, at ECLAC headquarters in Santiago de Chile.

Michelle Bachelet

Michelle Bachelet is the current United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Ms. Bachelet was elected President of Chile on two occasions (2006 – 2010 and 2014 – 2018). She was the first female president of Chile. She also served as Health Minister (2000-2002) as well as Chile's and Latin America's first female Defense Minister (2002 – 2004).

During her presidential tenures, she promoted the rights of all but particularly those of the most vulnerable. Among her many achievements, education and tax reforms, and the creation of the National Institute for Human Rights and the Museum of Memory and Human Rights stand out. So do the establishment of the Ministry of Women and Gender Equality, the adoption of quotas to increase women's political participation, and the approval of Civil Union Act legislation, granting rights to same sex couples and thus, advancing LGBT rights.

Since the early 1990s, Ms. Bachelet has worked closely with many international organizations. In 2010 she chaired the Social Protection Floor Advisory Group, a joint International Labor Organization (ILO) and World Health Organization (WHO) initiative, which sought to promote social policies to stimulate economic growth and social cohesion.

In 2011, she was named the first Director of UN Women, an organization dedicated to fighting for the rights of women and girls internationally. Economic empowerment and ending violence against women were two of her priorities during her tenure. She has recently pledged to be a Gender Champion, committing to advance gender equality in OHCHR and in international fora.

Anna Barrera Vivero

Dr. Anna Barrera Vivero studied Political Science and Public Law at the Free University of Berlin and obtained her doctoral degree in Political Science from the University of Hamburg and GIGA Institute of Latin American Studies. Currently, she works as Senior Programme Manager in the fields of Higher Education, Science, Technology and Innovation, Culture and Multilateral Issues at the EU-LAC Foundation. Her previous positions were related with scientific work as well as international development cooperation. Those positions included the Collaborative Research Centre "Governance in Areas of Limited Statehood" (SFB 700, Free

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Centro Agroecológico Mongelechi Mapu (Tierra Viva), a project of the Bahá'í Institution of Chile. Within the framework of the food sovereignty and environmental sustainability, this project promotes learning and participation in the construction of knowledge and practices for a peasant and Mapuche family agriculture for 34 years.

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José Miguel Benavente is currently Principal Lead Specialist in the Competitiveness and Innovation Division of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). He is also a Professor at the Business School at the Adolfo Ibáñez University and was for more than a decade an Academic in the Department of Economics at the University of Chile. His professional work, research and teaching topics include areas of economic development, innovation, productivity, R&D, SMEs, entrepreneurship and microeconometrics, among others. He is the author of a hundred scientific articles, book chapters, and books on these topics. He has been a columnist for important media, editor of a WoS scientific journal, consultant for international organizations, and for ten years advisor and vice president of the National Innovation Council of Chile. José Miguel is an Industrial Civil Engineer from the Catholic University of Valparaíso, a Master in Economics from the University of Chile, and also holds the degrees of Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in Economics from the University of Oxford in England.

Patrizio Bianchi

Patrizio Bianchi, Full Professor of Economics and Industrial Policy since 1989 at the University of Bologna; since 1998 at the University of Ferrara where he founded the Faculty of Economics (now Department of Economics and Management), of which he was Chairman of the Ordering Committee and Dean until 2004. Since February 2021 he is the Minister of Public Education in the Mario Draghi Cabinet.

He was Rector of the University of Ferrara from 2004 to 2010 and President of the CRUI Foundation from 2007 to 2010. Since 2010 he has assumed the responsibility of Councilor of the Emilia-Romagna Region for the Coordination of European policies for development, school, vocational training, university, research and work, in this area he has been involved among others in the reconstruction of schools after the earthquake in Emilia in 2012, the reform of vocational training, the coordination of the Pact for Work, an innovative way of long-term participatory planning and finally the establishment of the Big Data Technopole in Bologna, the center with the largest capacity of supercomputing in Europe.

Since 2020, he has been UNESCO Chair on Education, Growth and Equality at the University of Ferrara and scientific director of the International Foundation big data and artificial intelligence for human development.

In 2020, he was chairman of the Committee of Experts of the Ministry of Education for the reopening and relaunching of Italian schools after Covid19

Antonia Biggs

Geographer from the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile with fourteen years of experience in project management, multisectoral coordination and development of activities related to the environment, mainly for the implementation of public policies. Today, from her Fundación Chile she leads the Chilean Pact of Plastics, a public-private initiative based on the “New Economy of Plastics” of the Ellen MacArthur Foundation, with the mission of carrying out the roadmap drawn up by the members of the Pact until 2025.

Silvestra Melania Canales Poma

She is a leader of the Quechua people of the Ayacucho region, Peru. She is currently president of the National Organization of Andean and Amazonian Indigenous Women of Peru (ONAMIAP); She is the coordinator of the Southern Region of the Continental Link of Indigenous Women of the Americas (ECMIA SUR); and part of the Collegiate Council of ECMIA.

From a young age, Melania Canales became involved in the leadership holding different positions in the Lucanas Peasant Community. She also held different positions in the Lucanas Women's Federation and later in the Ayacucho Regional Federation of Indigenous Women (FEREMIA), of which she was president. She was elected as mayor of the Lucanas district for the period 2011 - 2014.

Her entire organizational and political trajectory is based on the vindication of her identity, as well as the struggle for autonomy and the full exercise of the rights of women and indigenous peoples. Fulfilling her role, she has represented indigenous women in different spaces of dialogue with the State, civil society, and other actors. In addition, she has participated in various events, congresses, summits, and conferences at the national and international level.

Andrea Casals Hill

Andrea Casals Hill holds a Master's in Human Settlements and Environmental Studies and a Doctor's degree in Literature, both from Universidad Católica de Chile (UC), where she currently conducts a 3 years research on YA dystopian narratives funded by the National Agency for Research and Development (ANID); she was also a postdoctoral fellow at UC researching on environmental awareness in Chilean picturebooks (also funded by ANID). She teaches at graduate and undergraduate programs and is co-editor of the academic journal English Studies in Latin America, all at Facultad de Letras UC. Casals collaborates ad honorem as an international liaison for the Association for the Study of Literature and Environment (ASLE), with the scientific board for the Sustainability and Wellbeing PhD (Ferrara University), and in the academic committee organizing the 25th biannual Congress for the International Research Society on Children's Literature (@IRSCL2021), hosted by UC. IN 2019 she published Futuro esplendor: ecocrítica desde Chile (Orjikh), co-authored with Pablo Chiuminatto.

Research areas: ecocriticism, environmental humanities, childhood studies and children's literature, and Gabriela Mistral.

Johana Ciro Calderón

UBUNTU! Yo soy porque nosotras somos (I am because we are)

She is a midwife of change projects, activist, graduate and master's degree in management and promotion of local development, Doctor in local development and Innovation of the Territory (Extraordinary Doctorate Award) from 2016 to 2020 as a local development agent in the City Council of Carcaixent - Spain, currently he is ADL depopulation for the Valencian Federation of Municipalities and Provinces.

She designs, facilitates, and accompanies social transformation and innovation processes and local development in public and private organizations in Spain and Colombia. She is an honorary researcher at the IUESAL - Instituto Universitario de Estudios Sociales de América Latina de la Universidad de Alicante. Director of the line of research in local development and social innovation at Universidad del Valle, founding partner of IIDEL - Instituto Iberoamericano de Desarrollo Local, visiting professor at various universities and institutions in Spain and Colombia, author of the Differential Empowerment methodology.

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Fernando J. Diaz Lopez is the Director of the Innovation for Sustainable Development Network (www.inno4sd.net). Fernando works as a principal consultant and researcher at Technopolis Group France (since September 2020). He is also an Associate Professor Extra-ordinary at Stellenbosch University, Research Fellow at the Inter-University Research Centre SEEDS – Sustainability Environmental Economic and Dynamic Studies (hosted by UNIFE, Italy). He is also president of the governing board of Causa Natura, a think-tank focusing on environmental policies in the field of oceans, forests and waste. For over a decade he worked as a scientific researcher at TNO, the Dutch Organisation for Applied Scientific Research. His area of expertise is at the intersection between innovation, sustainability, resource efficiency and circularity in business, value chains and industry. More recently, he recently has also developed original research in the areas of sustainable product policy, waste policies and sustainability-oriented circular business models. Fernando holds a PhD in international economic development by the University of East Anglia (UK) and a MPhil in Economics and Management of Innovation by Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana (Mexico).

Gianfranco Franz

Full Professor of Policies for Sustainability and Local Development at the MA on Green Economy and Sustainability – Department of Economics and Management, University of Ferrara (Italy). He is amongst the founders of the Unife's interdepartmental and international PhD programme "Environmental Sustainability and Wellbeing". Since October 2012 he is the founder and the co-coordinator of the International University Network Routes towards Sustainability .

During the 90s urban planning was his major focus, from 2003 to 2015 he coordinated the first international and interdisciplinary MA programme in EcoPolis - Policies for

Sustainability and Local Development at the University of Ferrara. Since 2006 he has been involved in strategic planning practices in Italy and Brazil, worked on urban regeneration and creativity, developed policies and tools for smart cities and, recently, for circular cities and regions. Since 2017 he has elaborated theoretical views on cultures of sustainability, the Anthropocene, and Ecological Footprints, encompassing a humanistic, social, and economic perspective. At present ecological thinking and trans-disciplinary methodologies are at the core of his research.

RESEARCH AREAS: 1) History, Theories and Criticism of Sustainability; 2) Ecological Thinking, Anthropocene and Integral Development; 3) Circular Economy and Cities; 4) City planning and management, Urban creativity and regeneration.

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Francisco Gallego is a Full Professor of the Economics Department at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (UC-Chile) and Research Affiliate and Scientific Director of the LAC office of the Abdul Lateef Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL). His main research relates to the process of economic development from different perspectives: political economy, applied microeconomics, the economics of transportation externalities, and modern empirical development economics. He has published articles in the Review of Economic Studies, the Review of Economics and Statistics, the Journal of Public Economics, the Journal of Development Economics, and the Annual Reviews of Economics, among other journals. He has been visiting professor at Princeton University, member of the Standing Committee of the Latin American Chapter of the Econometric Society, member of the executive committee of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association, member of the Board of J-PAL, and director of the Economics and Management Study Group, FONDECYT. He was awarded the Mario Henrique Simonsen Memorial Lecture by the Latin American Econometric Society. He holds BA and MA degrees in Economics from UC-Chile and a PhD in Economics from MIT.

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He has conducted research on integrating Life Cycle Analysis with environmentally responsible design in product and process development. He has also been a researcher and content editor for The Sustainability Consortium in the US. Prior to his specialization in analysis and design for the environment and sustainability, he worked for more than ten years in industrial and product design. Within his academic career, he has been Deputy Director of the UC School of Design, he has also developed research on public spaces and urban furniture, and taught in the subjects of computerized design and manufacturing, geometry, industrial technical drawing, design workshops and degrees.

Enrique Iglesias

Enrique Iglesias was born in Asturias (Spain), and is a naturalized Uruguayan citizen. He graduated in Economics and Administration from the University of the Republic of Uruguay in 1953 and did higher specialization studies in the United States and France. From 1961 to 1965, Iglesias was director of the Investment and Development Commission (CIDE) that prepared the first Economic and Social Plan for Uruguay. In 1967 he has served as first President of the Central Bank of Uruguay (1967-1968). He has been Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), from 1972 to 1985 and Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Energy Sources that took place in Nairobi, Kenya, in 1981. He was appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uruguay (1985-1988) by the new democratic government that emerged after several years of military dictatorship in the country. From this position he served as president of the Ministerial Meeting that began the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), in Punta del Este, Uruguay, in 1986. These negotiations led to the creation of the World Trade Organization, successor to the General Agreements on Rates and Trade.

Between 1988 and 2005 he was president of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the oldest and largest regional development bank. From 2005 to 2014, he has served as the first Ibero-American Secretary-General, based in Madrid, Spain. Iglesias has been a professor of Economic Development and Director of the Institute of Economics of the University of the Republic of Uruguay. He has written numerous articles, essays, and books on Latin American and Uruguayan economics, capital markets, external financing, and multilateralism.

Currently, he directs the Latin American Chair at the Universidad Pontificia de Comillas-ICADE, chairs the Ibero-American Council for Productivity and Competitiveness, and is director of the Revista Pensamiento Iberoamericano. In Uruguay he chairs the Astur Foundation.

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María José González is an Environmental Engineer. She has more than 18 years of experience in environmental issues, especially waste and energy. She was the Executive Director of a business organization focused on Comprehensive Waste and Recycling Management (CEMPRE Uruguay). She was the coordinator of the BIOVALOR project focused on technologies for the recovery of agroindustrial waste, focusing on promoting the circular economy. She is currently working for the Minister

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Maria Latella

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Willian Lucitante

Willian Lucitante Criollo belongs to the Original A'I kofan Nationality of Ecuador, leader of his community and of the Kofan nationality.

Since 2004 he began to participate in the organizational process of the Kofan nationality of Ecuador.

In 2006 he occupies a political position in the organization as a leader of Youth of this nationality Kofan.

In 2009, he was elected Vice President of the Kofan Nationality, he held the position until 2017. Since June 2017, he is the legal representative of the Union of Affected by the Texaco Petroleum Operations today Chevron (UDAPT), applying his knowledge and representing the indigenous nationalities Siona, Siekopai, A'iKofan, Kichwa, Shuar , Waorani and Colonos from the provinces of Sucumbios and Orellana. During these years he was the coordinator of the Net Zero Deforestation (NZD) project, with the corporation The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and was also the coordinator of the INDIGENOUS LANDSCAPES project, with TNC, for 5 years.

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S.E. Mons. Gian Carlo Perego

Mons. Gian Carlo Perego since 2017 is Archbishop of Ferrara-Comacchio and Abbot of Pomposa. He was ordained a priest in 1984 in Cremona, his hometown. He obtained the degree in Systematic Theology from the Theological Faculty of Northern Italy and in 1996 he graduated in Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome.

From 1997 to 2020 He was Director of the Caritas in Cremona, then Vice-director of the Italian Caritas. From 2009 to 2017 he has served as General Director of the Foundation "Migrantes". He has been the Director of the Foundation "Migrantes" Journal.

Since 1996 he was teaching at the Cremona Campus of the Catholic University and since 2009 is Professor of Dogmatic theology at the LUMSA University in Rome. From 2012 to 2016 he was Consultor of the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral of Migrants and Itinerant People. Since 30 April 2009 he is Chaplain of His Holiness. At present is President of the Episcopal Commission for Migration of the Italian Episcopal Conference (CEI).

Federico Ignacio Poli

Federico Ignacio Poli, Argentine economist, has been Executive Director for Argentina and Haiti at the Inter-American Development Bank (2018-2020). Prior to his appointment, he served as Senior Economic Advisor to the Ibero-American Council for Productivity and Competitiveness and, from Paris (France), as a consultant for the private sector, national and regional governments in Europe and Latin America, and international organizations (ECLAC, General Secretariat Iberoamericana (SEGIB) and CAF- Development Bank of Latin America).

Between 2006 and 2014 he was Director of SEGIB's Economic Affairs Division in Madrid, Spain. Between 1996 and 2006 he held strategic positions in government and in the private sector in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He was General Director of Industry of the Government of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires (1996-99), Head of the Department of Economics (1991-96) and Chief Economist (1999-2002) of the Argentine Industrial Union, Advisor legislature of the president of the pro-government block of deputies (2000-2002), Chief of Cabinet of the Minister of Economy of Argentina (2002-03), Undersecretary of SMEs and Regional Development of the Gobierno from Argentina (2003-06), and Chief of Staff of the Secretary of Industry, Commerce and SMEs (2005-2006).

He writes in newspapers in Argentina (*El Cronista* and *Perfil*) and Spain (*El País*). He has taught macroeconomics and trade integration at University of Buenos Aires, at the Argentine Catholic University, and at the University of Barcelona). He has been a member of the Academic Council of the Argentine Industrial Union (1992-1999).

Annalisa Primi

Annalisa Primi (PhD) is the Head of the Economic Transformation and Development Division at the OECD Development Centre (Paris, France). She advises policymakers in Africa, Latin America, Asia and the OECD on global trade, innovation, infrastructure and industrial development. She shaped and created the OECD Initiative for Policy Dialogue on GVCs, Production Transformation and Development and the Production Transformation Policy Reviews (PTPRs). Prior to joining the OECD in 2009, she was Associated Economic Expert at the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (CEPAL, Santiago, Chile). Her work focuses on the linkages between industrialization, innovation and development and on the role of the state in shaping development trajectories. She has extensive experience in targeted policy support and technical assistance to developing countries, as well as a record of official and academic publications. An Italian national, she holds a PhD in Economics from School of Business and Economics of the University of Maastricht, The Netherlands, a Master Degree International Cooperation and Economic Development from the University of Pavia (Italy) and a Degree *cum laude* in Economics of Institutions and Financial Markets at the University of Tor Vergata (Rome, Italy).

Romano Prodi

Romano Prodi began his academic career at the Faculty of Political science of the University of Bologna, where he worked as an assistant professor (1963), associate professor (1966) and lastly full professor (1971-1999) of industrial organisation and industrial policy. In 1974 he was a visiting professor at Harvard University and at the Stanford Research Institute. From February 2009 to December 2013 he was Professor at-large at Brown University (USA). From 2010 to November 2015 he was Professor of CEIBS (China Europe International Business School) in Shanghai and now he is Member of the Board of the same School.

In 1981 he founded Nomisma, the largest Italian institute of economic studies, whose scientific committee he chaired until 1995.

From November 1978 to March 1979, Romano Prodi was Minister of Industry.

From November 1982 to October 1989 and in 1993 he was chairman and CEO of the Institute for Industrial Reconstruction (IRI), which was the largest Italian public holding, promoting the privatization of a number of industrial, banking and service companies.

In February 1995 he founded the "Ulivo" centre-left coalition, which designated him as its candidate for premiership. The coalition won the 1996 election and, in May 1996, he was appointed Prime Minister. He remained in office until October 1998. The bold measures introduced by his Cabinet enabled Italy to meet the Maastricht criteria for joining the Euro zone.

From 1999 to 2005 he has been President of the European Commission. During his presidency, the euro was successfully introduced, the Union was enlarged to 10 new countries from Central, Eastern and Southern Europe and the treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe was signed.

In 2006 Romano Prodi was elected leader of the centre-left coalition in Italy and after a victory in the 2006 elections he became Prime Minister, until May 8, 2008.

He is, since then, President of the Foundation for Worldwide Cooperation and in July 2008 to 2010 he has been named Chairman of the United Nations-African Union High-level Panel for Peacekeeping in Africa.

From October 2012 to January 2014 he was Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sahel.

From March 2021 he is President of the Italy-Asean Association.

Caterina Rondoni

Caterina Rondoni is a PhD student in Environmental Sustainability and Well-being (Università degli Studi di Ferrara) and a political scientist, specialist in human rights and environmental rights. She is also part of the Agriculture and Justice Village of the Economy of Francesco international network, and she is a geopolitical analyst of Latin American and Caraibien for the study center AMIStaDes. During the last three years, she has focused her work on food security, facing it from different perspectives. The research topic of her master's thesis was climate change and its impacts on the right to food, while during 2019-2020, she carried out research on the topic of food security in the Peruvian jungle and its relations with oil pollution. Her research interest revolves generically around the interrelationships between the international market, inequalities, respect of human rights, and studying of new development models.

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Eliana Villota

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Roberto Zoboli is full professor of 'Economic Policy' and teaches 'Economic Policies for Resources and the Environment' at Università Cattolica, Milan. At the Cattolica, he is Rector's Delegate for Research and Sustainability. In the past, he has been researcher at Nomisma S.p.A., Cariplo Foundation for Scientific Research, and the Research Office of Montedison S.p.A. For 12 years, he has been Research Director at the National Research Council, where, at present, he is Research Associate at IRCrES – Research Institute on Sustainable Economic Growth.

Since 2001, he has been team leader within different Topic Centres of the EEA – European Environment Agency, and at present he leads the Task on 'Green economy transition' of the ETC/WMGE – European Topic Centre on Waste and Materials in a Green Economy (2019-2021). He is member of Steering Committee of the NRP73 'Sustainable Economy' of the Swiss National Science Foundation, Research Associate of FEEM (Fondazione ENI Enrico Mattei), and Board member of SEEDS, the inter-university centre on 'Sustainability, Environmental Economics and Dynamics Studies' gathering competences in environmental economics from eight Italian universities. He has been task leader in FP7 and Horizon 2020 projects, and project leader in about 50 research project at the international, national, and regional level.

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