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***Strengthening the Scientific Foundation for Policymaking to Meet the  
Challenges of Aging in Latin America and the Caribbean***

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*National Academy of Medicine, Mexico City*

**DAY ONE – MAY 28**

8:30–9:00 am – **REGISTRATION**

9:00-9:20 am

**1. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**

Session chair: Rebeca Wong, *University of Texas Medical Branch*, Workshop Co-Chair

- Enrique Graue Wiechers, *President, National Academy of Medicine, Mexico*
- Georgeanne Patmios, *National Institute on Aging, U.S.*
- Luis Miguel Gutiérrez, *National Academy of Medicine/National Institute of Geriatrics, Mexico*

Eduardo Sojo Garza-Aldape, *President, National Institute of Statistics and Geography, Mexico*

9:30–11:00 am

**2. AGING IN LATIN AMERICA IN GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE**

Session chair: David Weir, *University of Michigan*, Workshop Co-Chair

- Pace of aging in Latin America and variation by socioeconomic status [15 min] – Jorge Bravo, *United Nations Population Division*
- Health and health care challenges with population aging [15 min]– Eileen Crimmins, *University of Southern California*
- Data needs for aging in Latin America [15 min] – Victor Garcia Vilchis, *Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía, Mexico*
- The Health and Retirement Study (HRS) global network—opportunities for Latin America and Caribbean [15 min]– James Smith, *RAND, U.S.*
- Discussion (15 min)

11:00–11:15 am – **BREAK**

11:15 am –12:45 pm

### **3. HEALTH STATUS, DISABILITY, AND MORTALITY**

Session chair: Eileen Crimmins, *University of Southern California*

- Mortality trends and differentials [15 min] - Luis Rosero-Bixby, *Universidad de Costa Rica* and *Costa Rica: Estudio de Longevidad y Envejecimiento Saludable (CRELES)*
- Trajectories of health from the Mexican Health and Aging Study (MHAS/ENASEM) [15 min] – Rebeca Wong, *University of Texas Medical Branch*
- Health inequalities and the design of the ELSI-Brazil study [15 min]– Maria Fernanda Lima-Costa, *Oswaldo Cruz Foundation* and *Estudo Longitudinal das Condições de Saúde e Bem-Estar da População Idosa (ELSI-Brazil)*
- Cognitive aging [15 min] – Carlos Cano, *Universidad Javeriana, Colombia*
- Discussion (15 min)

12:45–2:00 pm – **LUNCH**

2:00-3:30 pm

### **4. HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS, ACCESS AND QUALITY**

Session chair: William Dow, *University of California, Berkeley*

- Building the evidence base for health reform [15 min] - Rafael Lozano, *Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation* and *National Academy of Medicine, Mexico*
- Depression and health care services [15 min] – Carmen Garcia-Peña, *Instituto Mexicano del Seguro Social* and *National Academy of Medicine, Mexico*
- Oral health in the Health, Well-Being and Aging Study (SABE) in Colombia [15 min] - Maria Teresa Calzada, *Universidad del Valle, Colombia*
- Adapting health care systems to serve the needs of the frail elderly [15 min] – Luis Miguel Gutiérrez, *National Academy of Medicine/National Institute of Geriatrics, Mexico*
- Discussion (15 min)

3:30–3:45 pm – **BREAK**

3:45–5:15 pm

### **5. LABOR MARKET PARTICIPATION/RETIREMENT**

Session chair: Olivia Mitchell, *University of Pennsylvania*

- Retirement preparation in the Longitudinal Study of Social Protection [15 min] – David Bravo, *Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile*
- Non-contributory pensions [15 min] – Emma Aguila, *University of Southern California*
- Pension systems [15 min] – Roberto Ham Chande, *Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Mexico*
- Pensions in the Peru Survey of Health and Wellbeing of the Elderly [15 min] – Norma Vidal Añaños, *Ministry of Development and Social Inclusion, Peru.*
- Discussion (15 min)

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**6:30 PM – DINNER (STEERING COMMITTEE AND INVITED SPEAKERS)**

**DAY TWO – MAY 29**

**8:30–9:00 am – REGISTRATION**

9:00–10:30 am

**6. FAMILY AND SOCIAL TRANSFERS**

Session chair: Jere Behrman, *University of Pennsylvania*

- Fertility decline and changing living arrangements [15 min] – Paulo Saad, *United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean*
- Social mobility across generations in Latin America [15 min] – Florencia Torche, *New York University*
- Rapid social changes and implications for aging [15 min]– Cassio Turra, *Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil*
- National Transfer Accounts [15 min] – Tim Miller, *United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean*
- Discussion (15 min)

**10:30–10:45 am – BREAK**

10:45 am –11:45 pm

**7. RESILIENCE and ASPECTS OF WELL-BEING IN OLDER AGE**

Session chair: Cesar de Oliveira, *University College London*

- Resilience and aging [15 min] – Rafael Samper-Ternent, *Universidad Javeriana, Colombia*
- Nutrition and aging [15 min] – Cecilia Albala, *Universidad de Chile*
- Biomarkers and undiagnosed disease [15 min] – Soham Al-Snih, *University of Texas Medical Branch*
- Discussion (15 min)

**11:45–1:15 pm – LUNCH**

1:15–2:30 pm

**8. ROUNDTABLE ON OPPORTUNITIES TO GENERATE EVIDENCE ON OLDER ADULTS**

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Session chair: Enrique Vega, *Pan American Health Organization*

- MHAS/ENASEM (Mexico) [5 minutes]- Rebeca Wong
- CRELES (Costa Rica) [5 minutes] - Luis Rosero-Bixby and/or Will Dow
- ELSI (Brazil) [5 minutes] - Maria Fernanda Lima-Costa and/or Cesar de Oliveira
- The SAGE experience [5 minutes] - Somnath Chatterji, *World Health Organization*
- Social Protection Studies [5 minutes] - David Bravo
- SABE Colombia [5 minutes] - Maria Teresa Calzada
- Discussion (30 minutes)

2:30-3:00 pm

#### **9. MOVING THE RESEARCH AGENDA FORWARD**

Session chairs: David Weir and Rebeca Wong

- Wrap-up and next steps

3:00pm – **ADJOURN**