

**PEER Latin America & the Caribbean Forum**  
**March 22nd – 25th, 2015**  
**JW Marriott Hotel; Lima, Peru**

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**Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup>: Bolognesi- Pizarro Room**

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm Pick up name tag & Forum folder outside Bolognesi-Pizarro Room

1:30 pm – 1:45 pm **Welcome & Introductions**  
Dr. Annica Wayman, Research Division Chief  
USAID/ U.S. Global Development Lab

1:45 pm – 2:00 pm **Meeting Agenda & Logistics**  
Mr. Daniel Placht, Senior Program Assistant  
National Academy of Sciences (NAS)

2:00 pm – 2:45 pm **PEER Program Overview: History, Purpose, & Future**  
Dr. Annica Wayman, Research Division Chief  
USAID/ U.S. Global Development Lab

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm **\*\*break\*\***

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm **The Importance of Science Communication**  
*Presenter:* Dr. Djuke Veldhuis, Famelab

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm **Communicating your research to policy makers**  
*Moderator:* Mr. Juan Casasbuenas, SciDev.Net  
*Panelists:* Dr. Eduardo Sagredo (Dominican Republic)  
Dr. Bram Willems (Peru)  
Dr. Juan Castano (Colombia)  
Dr. Julio Canon (Colombia)

5:30 pm **Forum Group Pictures**  
**\*\*break\*\*** (time to return to room)

6:30 pm **Drinks & Hors d'ouerves** (Salon D & E)

7:00 pm **Keynote Address by Mr. Lawrence J. Gumbiner, Charge d'Affaires, a.i. U.S. Embassy in Lima, Peru**  
Introduction by Dr. Annica Wayman, Research Division Chief  
USAID/ U.S. Global Development Lab

7:30 pm **Group Dinner** (Salon D & E)

**Monday March 23<sup>rd</sup>: Bolognesi-Pizarro Room**

- 8:30 am – 9:00 am Coffee & Tea
- 9:00 am - 9:45 am **Conveying Science through Flash Talks**  
*Presenter:* Dr. Djuke Veldhuis, Famelab
- 9:45 am – 10:00 am **\*\*break\*\***
- 10:00 am - 12:00 pm **Flash Talk Practice in Breakout Groups**  
Break-out Groups Rooms: Bolognesi-Pizzaro, Salon F, and Bolivar
- 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm **Planet NI Workshop Lunch (Salon D&E)**  
**Measurements and data collection resources for your Scientific Research project**  
*Presenter:* Mr. Antonio Medina, National Instruments (NI)
- 2:00 pm - 2:45 pm **UNFCCC Lima Climate Change Conference Briefing**  
*Speaker:* Mr. Jorge Alvarez (UNDP/Peru)
- 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm **Connecting your Research with USG Agencies: Part I**  
*Moderator:* Dr. Jason Porter, AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellow  
USAID/ U.S. Global Development Lab  
*Speakers:* Dr. Jessica Robin, NSF  
Dr. Adriana Bravo, Smithsonian Institute (SI)
- 3:45 pm - 4:00 pm **\*\* break\*\***
- 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm **Identifying and Approaching Future Funders**  
*Moderator:* Dr. Annica Wayman, Research Division Chief  
USAID/ U.S. Global Development Lab  
*Panelists:* Dr. Sharon Bergquist, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation  
Ms. Naoko Yasuo, JST  
Mr. Jorge Alvarez, UNDP/Peru  
Mr. Robert Bolia, Office of Naval Research (ONR)  
DFID Presentation (Jason Porter, USAID)  
Q&A in break out rooms: Bolognesi-Pizzaro, Salon F, and Bolivar
- 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm **Poster Session I (Salon D & E)**  
Hors d'oeuvres & Cash Bar
- Dinner on own. No organized evening activities.**

**Tuesday March 24<sup>th</sup>: Bolognesi- Pizarro Room**

- 8:30 am – 9:00 am      Coffee & Tea
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am    **The Art of Negotiation**  
*Introduction:* Dr. Jason Porter, AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellow  
USAID/ U.S. Global Development Lab  
*Presenter:*    Prof. Geraldine Richmond, University of Oregon and  
President, American Association for the Advancement of Science
- 10:00 am – 10:15 am   **\*\*Break \*\*\***
- 10:15 am – 11:15 am   **Communicating With Your PEER Grant Manager on the Financial and  
Administrative Management of Your Grant**  
*Presenters:* Ms. Kelly Robbins, Senior Program Officer, NAS  
Ms. Lina Stankute-Alexander, Associate Program Officer, NAS
- 11:15 am - 12:15 pm   **Flash Talk Semi-Finals**  
First Round of Flash Talk Competition in Small Groups  
Dr. Djuke Veldhuis, Famelab
- 12:15 pm - 1:45 pm    **Lunch (Salon D&E)**
- 1:45 pm - 2:00 pm     **Innovation Exchange - updates from the Global Development Lab**  
Chayva Lehrman, Communication Lead  
Research Team/DAR/USAID
- 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm    **Connecting your Research with USG Agencies: Part II**  
*Moderator:*    Dr. Jason Porter, AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellow  
USAID/ U.S. Global Development Lab  
*Panelists:*     Dr. Kitty Cardwell, NIFA  
Dr. Craig Wayson, USFS/SilvaCarbon  
Ms. Marcella Witting, ARS  
Q&A in break out rooms: Bolognesi-Pizzaro, Salon F, and Bolivar
- 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm    **\*\*Break\*\***
- 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm    **Connecting your research to USAID and its Missions in Latin America  
& the Caribbean**  
*Moderator:*    Dr. Jason Porter, AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellow  
USAID/ U.S. Global Development Lab  
*Panelists:*     Mr. Greg Swarin, USAID/Peru  
Dr. Marion Adeney, USAID/Peru  
Mr. Alexandre Mancuso, USAID/Brazil
- 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm    **Poster Session II (Salon D & E)**  
Hors d'oeuvres & Cash Bar

**Dinner on own. No organized evening activities.**

**Wednesday March 25<sup>th</sup>: Flash Talk Finals at USAID Mission**

8:00 am                    Leave from JW Marriott

8:30 am - 9:30 am      **Arrival at Mission/ Security**

9:30 am - 10:00 am    Set-up/Mingle with Mission staff (USAID/ Lima; Annex Safe Haven)

10:00 am - 11:15am    **Flash Talk Finals**

11:15 am - 12:00pm    **Poster Session** (USAID/ Lima; Annex Safe Haven)

12:00 pm                Leave USAID Mission and return to JW Marriott

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm      **Lunch at JW Marriott** (Salon D & E)

**Closing Ceremony**  
                                 Flash talk winners  
                                 Certificates  
                                 Closing remarks

3:00 pm                 **Forum ends**