AGENDA FINAL
With Links to Background Materials

Thursday, November 29th

8:30 – 9:00 Registration
9:00 – 9:15 Opening/Welcome
   Santiago Levy, Chief Economist, IDB
9:15 to 9:45 Overview of Workshop Objectives and Topics:
   Presentation:
   Fiscal Issues and the Financing of Universal Health Care Systems:
   Sufficiency, Efficiency and Equity
   Santiago Levy, IDB
   Ruben Suarez, PAHO

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

- National Health Expenditure and Financing of National Health Care Systems and Services;
  Health in the Americas 2007; Pan American Health Organization; Volume I; Chapter 4: Public
  Policies and Health Systems and Services; pages 313-325
- Growing Public: Social Spending and Economic Growth since the Eighteenth Century (Growing
  Public); Peter H. Lindert . Volume I, Chapter Patterns and Puzzles; Chapter 2: Findings
- Taxation in Developing Countries; Vito Tanzi, Howell Zee
- On Fiscal Space: Peter Heller
- LAC: The Fiscal Covenant Strengths, Weaknesses, Challenges
- Extravagant Americans, Healthier Canadians: The Bottom Line in North American Health Care;
  [Working Paper]

9:45 – 10:30 Presentation:
   Financing Health and Social Protection in Latin America and the Caribbean: Organization, Financing
   and Sustainability of Social Health Insurance Systems in LAC
   Daniel Titelman, ECLAC
   Chair: Suzanne Duryee, IDB
10:30 – 11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30  Presentation:
   * The Fiscal Sustainability of Health Care in Canada
     Gregory Marchildon, University of Regina, Canada
   Comments / Discussants
     William Jack, Department of Economics, Georgetown University
     Chair: Amparo Gordillo, PAHO

12:30 – 2:00  Lunch

2:00 – 3:30  Panel: Fiscal Burden and Fiscal Space for Financing of Social Expenditures in LAC
   Presentations:
     Fiscal Burden and Social Expenditures in LAC
       Eduardo Lora, IDB
     Fiscal Constraints and the Financing of Health Care Systems in Latin America
       Oscar Cetrangolo, ECLAC, Argentina
   Chair: Gustavo Marquez, IDB

3:30 – 4:00  Coffee break
4:00 – 5:00  Presentation

*Financing Social Health Insurance in Developing Countries: Impact on Fiscal and Labor Market Outcomes*

Adam Wagstaff, The World Bank

**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**
- Social Health Insurance Reexamined
- Europe and Central Asia’s great post-communist social health insurance experiment: Impacts on health sector and labor market outcomes

5:00 – 6:00  Panel: Fiscal Implications of Financing National Health Care Systems of Universal Access in Small Island Country Islands/Caribbean Single Market Economy

**Presentations:**
- *Fiscal Constraints and the Financing of National Health Insurance Systems and Programs*
  Stanley Lalta; Ministry of Health, The Bahamas
- *Fiscal Issues and the Financing of Increasing Coverage of National Health Care Systems in Small Island States*
  Karl Theodore, University of West Indies (UWI), Trinidad and Tobago

Chair: Edward Greene, CARICOM

**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**
- Caribbean Commission on Health and Development
- See Chapter 10. Health Financing; p. 88-112 (Part II)

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Friday, November 30th

9:00 – 10:30  Panel: Financing National Health Care Systems in Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean

**Presentations:**
- *Fiscal Constraints and Public Expenditures in Health in Peru*
  Augusto Portocarrero; Consultant, Ex-Director of Planning, Ministry of Health, Peru
- *The Fiscal Implications of the Mexican “Popular Health Insurance Scheme” (Medicaid)*
  Eduardo Gonzales Pier, Ministry of Health, Mexico
- *Public Financing of Health Care Services in Uruguay: Fiscal Implications and Distributive Impact*
  Andrés Dean, Ministry of Health, Uruguay

Comments/Discussant:
  Roberto Lunes, IDB

Chair: Victor Zamora, PAHO
10:30 - 11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30  Presentation:  
Restoring Fiscal Sanity in the US Health Care System  
Joseph Antos, American Enterprise Institute (AEI)  
Comments/Discussant:  
Jim Lubitz, National Center for Health Statistics  
Chair: Eduardo Lora, IDB

12:30 – 2:00  Lunch Break

2:00 – 3:30  Panel: Fiscal Implications of Expanding Coverage of Public Health Care Systems in LAC: 
Presentations:  
Fiscal Reforms and the Financing of the Brazilian - Sistema Unico de Saude –SUS  
Sergio Piola, IPEA  
The Fiscal Impact of the Plan AUGE  
Silvia Galleguillos, Ministry of Health of Chile  
Fiscal Policy and Equity: Redistributive Impact of Taxes and Social Expenditures in Selected Countries of the Region; Andean Countries and Central America and Panama  
Alberto Barreix, IDB  
Chair: Guillermo Troya, PAHO

3:00 – 4:00  Coffee Break
4:00 – 5:00  Efficiency and Equity Issues: Corruption, Distributive Impact of Public Expenditures in Health Care Services  
**Presentation:**  
**Corruption in the Health Sector**  
Maureen Lewis, The World Bank  
Chair: Hugo Nopo, IDB

5:00 – 5:30  Round Table: Issues and Challenges  
Chair: Eduardo Lora, IDB/Ruben Suarez PAHO

5:30  Closing

**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**
- Governance and Corruption in Public Health Care Systems - Working Paper #78

**Related Documents on Fiscal Issues and Health Systems Financing**

- Economic Myths and Political Realities: The Inequality Agenda and the Sustainability of Medicare, Evans RG. Vancouver (BC): Centre for Health Services and Policy Research; July 2007
- Reforma Tributaria y Desarrollo Humano en Centro America, Manuel Agosin, Roberto Machado; IDB Serie de Estudios Económicos y Sociales
- Combate al Fraude y la Evasión: Control Patronal - Evasión, Elusión, Inclusión de nuevos afiliados al IESS
- Health Situation in the Americas: Basic Indicators 2007 - PAHO

Canada:
- Health Care System (Medicare)
- Health Care Expenditures

United States of America:
- National Center for Health Statistics