

Speaker Bios

DR. NANNO MULDER is Chief of the Sustainable Trade Unit at the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC). His current main research and technical assistance topics are global value chains in general and global services in particular, cross-border e-commerce, and sustainable trade with a focus on SME internationalization, gender gaps, and climate change. He previously worked at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD, 2002-2005) and the Centre for Prospective Studies and International Information (*Centre d'Etudes Prospectives et d'Informations Internationales*) (CEPII, 1996-2001). He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Groningen, the Netherlands.

DR. EDNA RAMIREZ-ROBLES has 20 years of experience as an international consultant in over 58 jurisdictions worldwide. Her expertise lies in the legal and political issues of international trade and investment. She is the CEO and Founder of GoBizGlobal. She has carried out Technical Assistance Projects financed by USAID, EU, WTO, ICO, IsDB, TradeMark South Africa, UEMOA, IADB, UNDP, CIPE and UNCTAD. She worked at the Secretariats of international organizations such as UNCTAD, WTO, and IDB. Furthermore, she is a Professor at the University of Guadalajara campus in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico (CUC). She lectured at American University and worked at Georgetown University with Prof. John H. Jackson (for the Journal of International Economic Law) and at the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva, Switzerland. Between 2000 and 2003 she was appointed by the Governments of the State of Mexico as a Trade & Investment Deputy Representative in Madrid and the State of Jalisco as the General Coordinator of Foreign Investment Attraction. Dr. Ramirez-Robles graduated as a lawyer from the University of Guadalajara, Mexico. Her Ph.D./SJD and LLM from the Universidad Complutense from Madrid (Ortega y Gasset Institute) are on European Studies, specializing in International Trade Law. Moreover, she has authored more than 60 publications.

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MARIAM MALDONADO is the founder and owner of Luna's Group, which includes personal tax preparation, small business consulting, and a culturally responsive grocery store in the Allied/Dunn's Marsh Neighborhood in West Madison, WI. Established in 2019, Luna's Groceries addressed a nearly ten-year food desert, providing fresh, affordable food to several thousand residents daily. More than a grocery store, Luna's hosts toy and book drives, bicycle repair stands, an annual block party, and a grocery support fund for families in need. Mariam was born and raised in the Dominican Republic and holds a Bachelor of Science from Edgewood College, WI.