



XXX CONGRESO HEMISFÉRICO

PANAMÁ 2026

PROGRAM

AUGUST 19, 2026

TIME	AGENDA		
7:30a.m. a 8:30a.m.	REGISTRATION		
8:30a.m. a 9:30a.m.	Welcome Remarks Edita Pérez Broce - Chair of the Organizing Committee Carlos Berguido - Executive President of the Banking Association of Panama Special International Intervention Tyler Hatcher - Internal Revenue Service - IRS, U.S.A. Keynote Speaker H.E. Felipe Chapman - Minister of Economy and Finance		
9:30a.m. a 10:15a.m.	Keynote Conference MARCOS URARTE Geopolitics and Geoeconomics: Megatrends, Impacts, and Scenario Planning in the Face of the Emerging New Order		
10:15a.m. a 10:45a.m.	REFRESHMENTS		
TIME	TOPICS	SPEAKER	COUNTRY
10:45a.m. a 11:30a.m.	FATF 5th Round of Evaluations: What to Expect and How Panama Is Preparing for the New Effectiveness Standards	Isabel Vecchio Director of International Financial and Tax Strategy at the Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF) Technical Secretary of the National Commission Against Money Laundering (CNBC) National AML/CFT Coordinator before GAFILAT President Pro Tempore of GAFILAT (2026)	Panama
11:30a.m. a 11:45a.m.	Questions and Answers	Otto Wolfshoon Executive Vice President of Global Bank	
11:45m. a 12:45p.m.	OFAC and Regional Reputation: The Current Impact of Sanctions Lists on Stability, Regional Risk, the Maritime Sector, Critical Risks, and Their Impact on Foreign Trade Operations.	Andy Fernández Partner Holland & Knight	U.S.A.
	Moderator	Stephanie Connor Partner Holand & Knight	
		David Schwartz President and CEO of FIBA (Florida International Bankers Association)	U.S.A.
12:45p.m. a 1:15p.m.	WINNER OF THE 2026 COPLAFT MONOGRAPH CONTEST	Héctor Del Rosario Rodríguez Winner of the 2026 FELABAN Monograph Contest. "Governance and RegTech in the New Financial Order: The Role of AI and Blockchain in the AML/CFT Compliance Architecture 2026."	Dominican Republic
1:15p.m. a 2:15p.m.	LUNCH		
2:30p.m. a 3:15p.m.	Transnational Criminal Threats: Emerging Challenges for Banking and Compliance	Jamie Mickelson Managing Director - Kroll	U.S.A.
3:15p.m. a 3:30p.m.	Questions and Answers	Nicolás Franco Socorro Partners	
3:30p.m. a 4:30p.m.	Correspondent Banking in the Digital Era: Competition, Innovation, and Risks from Payment Gateways, Fintech, and the Regulatory Impact of the GENIUS Act	Wayne Shah Vice Chair, FIBA	U.S.A.
		Wilmer Guerrero Banescó USA (SVP, BSA/Compliance)	U.S.A.
	Moderator	Marilu Jiménez FINCAdvisors	Puerto Rico
4:30p.m. a 5:00p.m.	REFRESHMENTS		
5:00p.m. a 6:00p.m.	Criminal Investigation and Prosecution: Cooperation, Financial Intelligence, and New Challenges for Regulated Entities	Dario Herrera Director Financial Analysis Unit	Panama
		José A. Candanedo Chiam Secretary General Office of the Attorney General of the Nation	
		Bienvenido Amaury Roberts Carrero Technical Director – Financial Analysis Unit Coordinator of the GAFILAT Working Group on Terrorist Financing Member of the GAFILAT Group of Experts (GEG)	Dominican Republic
	Interacts with the speakers	Julio César Aguirre Guevara Aguirre & Schwarz, S.A.	Panama

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	SIMULTANEOUS TOPICS		
8:00a.m. a 8:45a.m.	Dual-Use Goods and Strategic Goods: Financing the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction, Critical Indicators, and Specialized Controls for Mitigation.	María I. Espona International expert in CBRN, biological weapons, and export controls	Argentina
8:45a.m. a 9:00a.m.	Questions and Answers	Shaleen White Vice President for Latin America Business Development, S2 Global	Panama
8:00a.m. a 8:45a.m.	Real Case: Coopeservidores and Its Impact on the Financial Ecosystem.	Ever Navarro International Consultant in AML/CFT and Forensic Auditing	Costa Rica
8:45a.m. a 9:00a.m.	Questions and Answers	Amílcar Ábrego Advisor to the Senior Office IPACOOOP	Panama
	PLENARY SESSION		
9:05a.m. a 10:05a.m.	The TD Bank Case: Lessons Learned	Carlo Nastasi Special Agent – IRS Criminal Investigation (IRS-CI)	U.S.A.
	Questions and Answers	Ana María de Alba , AMLCA, CPAML, CCRS Founder & CEO CSMB - A Risk Management Practice	U.S.A.
10:05a.m. a 10:35a.m.	REFRESHMENTS		
	SIMULTANEOUS TOPICS		
10:40a.m. a 11:25a.m.	Financial Institutions and Banks Facing the Challenge of Crypto and Stablecoins: Real Risks, Effective Controls, and AML/CFT Governance Under MiCA/GENIUS (Onboarding–Offboarding)	José Vega Gallardo Managing Partner – Encripta Law Specialist in IT Law, Data Protection and AML/CFT Forensic Auditor and ISO 37001 Auditor	Panama
		Jose Vega Sacasa Tech Lawyer and Computer Forensics Expert Founding Partner – Encripta Law Senior Partner – Fintegrity Group Legal Director – ARKA Group President of APPIF Director of the Panama Chapter – ACFCS	Panama
11:25a.m. a 11:40a.m.	Questions and Answers	Belisario Castillo Sáenz Vice President of Legal Affairs and Corporate Governance Banco Aliado	Panama
10:40a.m. a 11:25a.m.	Generative AI and Financial Risk: Models, Signals, and Human Oversight to Mitigate AML/CFT and Proliferation Risks – Analysis of the Brazilian Case	Wellington Macario Omena Head of AI Risk Transformation Banco Santander Brasil – São Paulo Specialist in Risk, AI Applied to AML/CFT and Compliance Analytics	Brazil
11:25a.m. a 11:40a.m.	Questions and Answers	Bismark Rodríguez Territory Advisory Leader PWC	Venezuela
	PLENARY SESSION		
11:45a.m. a 12:30p.m	Operation Car Wash and the Peruvian Experience: How to Tackle Impunity and Strengthen Public Integrity?	Licdo. Rafael Ernesto Vela Barba Senior Prosecutor Against Money Laundering National Coordinator of Specialized Money Laundering Prosecutor's Offices Public Prosecutor's Office – Peru	Peru
12:30p.m. a 12:45p.m.	Questions and Answers	Daniel Bañados Maticorena Head of Compliance & Regulatory Affairs BAC Headquarters	Costa Rica
12:45p.m. a 1:45p.m.	LUNCH		
	SIMULTANEOUS TOPICS		
2:00p.m. a 2:45p.m	Public-Private Cooperation: Effective Communication Strategies Between Investigative Agencies and the Financial Sector to Combat Financial Crime	Lauren Kohr Senior Advisor – IRS Criminal Investigation (IRS-CI) Expert in AML/CTF, Sanctions and Risk	U.S.A.
2:45p.m. a 3:00p.m.	Questions and Answers	Wayne Shah Vice Chair, FIBA	U.S.A.
2:00p.m. a 2:45p.m	From Cosmetic Compliance to Systematization: Ethics and Anti-Corruption Programs in the Financial Sector Under International Standards.	Babaji Cruz Peñaló Founding Partner and Executive President – LEXI Consultores Secretary General – World Compliance Association (Dominican Republic Chapter) Specialist in Public Compliance, Public Procurement and Integrity	Dominican Republic
2:45p.m. a 3:00p.m.	Questions and Answers	Yanireé Best Altamirano Compliance Director Banistmo	Panama
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3:00p.m. a 3:45p.m.	Cybercrime and Cryptoassets: Analysis of a Real Case and the Risks Faced by Regulated Entities	Emily Belin Forensic Accountant at the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)	U.S.A.
3:45p.m. a 4:00p.m.	Questions and Answers	Raymond Villanueva (Kaufman Rossin)	
4:00P.M. a 4:45p.m.	Human Trafficking and Smuggling of Migrants: Critical Indicators, Emerging Risks, and Priorities for Regional Mitigation	Sandra Sánchez Vicario Institutional Strengthening Advisor and Project Coordinator at the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Regional Office for Central America and the Caribbean in Panama (ROPAN), Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Section.	Panama
4:45p.m. a 5:00p.m.	Questions and Answers	Tanya Turner Velasco Vice President of Compliance Banco Aliado	Panama
5:00p.m. a 5:30p.m.	REFRESHMENTS		
5:30p.m. a 6:30p.m.	Tax Integrity and Transparency: Tax Risks, Public Procurement, and Expectations for the Regulated Sector	Dr. Camilo Valdés Director General of Revenue	Panama
		Mgtr. Jorge Escobar Director of General Auditing Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic	Panama
	Interacts in the dialogue	Mayra Rodriguez Attorney at Law/CPA/Corporate Law /Banking Law/Trust and Estate Planning/Compliance/Corporate Governance/ESG Assessment	Panama
6:30p.m. a 12:00a.m.	DINNER DANCE		



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7:30a.m.	REFRESHMENTS		
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8:30a.m. a 9:15a.m.	The Gallo Tapado Case: State Capture, Transnational Crime, and Its Impact on Financial Integrity in the Digital Age	Lic. Ronald Segura Mena Coordinating Prosecutor of the Probity, Transparency and Anti-Corruption Prosecutor's Office of the Public Prosecutor's Office Former President and Member of the Executive Committee – Latin American Federation of Prosecutors Specialist in Fraud, Corruption, Organized Crime and Economic Crimes	Costa Rica
9:15a.m. a 9:30a.m.	Questions and Answers	Karol A. González Richardson AMLCP, AMLCA Assistant Vice President of Compliance at Banco General	Panama
9:30a.m. a 10:30a.m.	Supervision and Compliance in Latin America: Expectations, Risks, and Strategic Priorities for Regulated Entities	Yoriel Moreno Deputy Director of Banking and Fiduciary Prevention Superintendency of Banks of Panama	Panama
		Itzel Barnett Director of the Directorate for Prevention and Control of Illicit Operations of the Superintendency of the Securities Market	Panama
		Marcela Bernatt Director of Supervision and Prevention of Insurance Companies Superintendency of Insurance and Reinsurance of Panama	Panama
		Isabel Fernández Superintendent of Non-Financial Subjects	Panama
		Mgtr. Amílcar A. Abrego Advisor to the Executive Directorate IPACOP	Panama
	Interacts in the dialogue	Edita Pérez Broce Assistant Vice President Compliance - Regulatory Compliance, Correspondent Banking, and Sanctions Banco General	Panama
	REFRESHMENTS		
11:00a.m. a 11:45a.m.	Unchecked Innovation: How Risks Materialize and Why Banks and Fintech Companies Are Facing "Enforcement Actions".	Sara Beth Felix Founder – Palmera Consulting Co-founder – Acceleron Bank (in formation) & Hyper-S Research International Expert in AML, Sanctions and Emerging Risks	U.S.A.
11:45a.m. a 12:00m.	Questions and Answers	Catherine Annette Cardoze Guardia President Panama Association of Compliance Officers	Panama
12:00m. a 1:00p.m.	Closing Keynote Conference Jorge Sahd Director of the Center for International Studies at the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile Latin America Facing the World: Risks, Challenges, and Priorities for the Next Decade		
	CLOSING		