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PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME
(Antigua and Barbuda time, GMT-4)

Tuesday, 26 October

- 10–10.45 a.m. Opening ceremony
- Dean Jonas, Minister of Social Transformation, Human Resource Development and the Blue Economy of Antigua and Barbuda
 - Javier May, Secretary of Welfare of Mexico
 - Luis Felipe López-Calva, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
 - Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
- 10.45–10.50 a.m. Adoption of the agenda
- 10.50–11 a.m. Report by the outgoing Chair on activities carried out since the third session of Regional Conference on Social Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, by Javier May, Secretary of Welfare of Mexico (pre-recorded video)
- 11–11.40 a.m. Presentation of the document *Disasters and inequality in a protracted crisis: towards universal, comprehensive, resilient and sustainable social protection systems in Latin America and the Caribbean*, by Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC



11.40 a.m.–1 p.m.	Recess
1–1.40 p.m.	Comments on the document: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rodrigo Abdala Dartigues, Chief of the Development Programme Planning and Evaluation Unit of the Secretariat of Welfare of Mexico • Dean Jonas, Minister of Social Transformation, Human Resource Development and the Blue Economy of Antigua and Barbuda
1.40–5 p.m.	Statements by delegations Statement by civil society, given by Ruth Spencer, focal point for the Caribbean Working Group of the Mechanism for the Participation of Civil Society
5–6.30 p.m.	Space for side events ¹

Wednesday, 27 October

8.30–10 a.m.	Space for side events
10 a.m.–2.50 p.m.	Review of the document <i>Disasters and inequality in a protracted crisis: towards universal, comprehensive, resilient and sustainable social protection systems in Latin America and the Caribbean</i>
10 a.m.–noon	<p>Panel 1 – Social protection in the midst of disaster in the Caribbean: building resilience to address multidimensional crises</p> <p><u>Moderator</u>: Diane Quarless, Chief of the ECLAC subregional headquarters for the Caribbean</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orando Brewster, Minister of National Mobilisation, Social Development, Family, Gender Affairs, Youth, Housing and Informal Human Settlement of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines • Adis King, Minister of Youth Development and Empowerment, Youth at Risk, Gender Affairs, Seniors' Security, and Dominicans with Disabilities of Dominica • Pierre Ricot Odney, Director of Studies and Programming Unit, Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour (MAST) of Haiti • Regis Chapman, Country Director and Representative, World Food Programme Multi-Country Office for the English-speaking and Dutch Caribbean • Elizabeth Riley, Representative of the Caribbean Disasters Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) • Kurba-Marie Questelles, Specialist in Peace and Security, Coordinating Ambassador for the Caribbean Region of One Young World <p>Statements by delegations</p>

¹ See programme of side events [online] <https://crds.cepal.org/4/en/side-events>.

Noon–1 p.m.	Recess
1–2.50 p.m.	<p>Panel 2: Proposals for a transformative, resilient and inclusive recovery led by ministries of social development</p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Rodrigo Martínez, Senior Social Affairs Officer, Social Development Division of ECLAC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dina Boluarte Zegarra, Vice-President and Minister of Development and Social Inclusion of Peru • Martín Lema, Minister of Social Development of Uruguay • Luiz Antonio Galvão, Deputy Minister of Citizenship of Brazil • Axel Renato Palma Ramos, Vice-Minister of Policy, Planning and Evaluation of the Ministry of Social Development of Guatemala • Raúl Salazar, Chief of the Regional Office for the Americas and the Caribbean of United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) • Mariya Aleksandrova, Senior Researcher, German Development Institute (GDI) <p>Statements by delegations</p>
2.50–3.10 p.m.	Recess
3.10–5 p.m.	<p>Panel 3: Rethinking social protection in Latin America and the Caribbean, session led by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)</p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Georgiana Braga Orillard, Resident Representative of UNDP in El Salvador</p> <p><u>Keynote speaker:</u> Santiago Levy, Senior Fellow, Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delma Thomas, Minister for Social Development, Housing and Community Empowerment of Grenada (to be confirmed) • Carmen Marín, Minister in the Management Unit of the Office of the President and General Coordinator of the Social Cabinet of Paraguay • Marta Elena Feitó Cabrerías, Minister of Labour and Social Security of Cuba (to be confirmed) • Pablo Sanguinetti, Vice President of Knowledge of the Development Bank of Latin America (CAF) • Marina Walter, Resident Coordinator of the United Nations system for Trinidad and Tobago, Suriname, Aruba, Curaçao and Sint Maarten <p>Statements by delegations</p>
5–6.30 p.m.	Space for side events

Thursday, 28 October

- 8.30–10 a.m. Space for side events
- 10 a.m.–noon Review of the document *Disasters and inequality in a protracted crisis: towards universal, comprehensive, resilient and sustainable social protection systems in Latin America and the Caribbean* (continued)
- 10 a.m.–noon **Panel 4:** Opportunities and challenges for institutions towards a universal, comprehensive, sustainable and resilient social protection system
- Moderator: Alberto Arenas, Chief of the Social Development Division of ECLAC
- Juan Luis Bermúdez, Minister of Human Development and Social Inclusion of Costa Rica
 - Karla Rubilar, Minister of Social Development and Family of Chile
 - Karl Samuda, Minister of Labour and Social Security of Jamaica
 - Diego Sánchez-Ancochea, Head of the Oxford Department of International Development of the University of Oxford
 - Vinícius Pinheiro, Regional Director, Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean of the International Labour Organization (ILO)
 - Jarbas Barbosa, Assistant Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)
- Statements by delegations
- Noon–1 p.m. Recess
- 1–3 p.m. Consideration and adoption of agreements
- Election of Presiding Officers
- Closing session
- Dean Jonas, Minister of Social Transformation, Human Resource Development and the Blue Economy of Antigua and Barbuda
 - Luis Felipe López-Calva, Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean of UNDP
 - Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of ECLAC