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## CAPTAC-DR's XVII Steering Committee Meeting jointly with CMCA and COSEFIN

July 30 to August 1, 2025, Antigua Guatemala, Guatemala

Agenda	
July 30	
07:00-10:00 pm	<b>Welcoming Cocktail</b> (Salon: Capilla Lateral Nuestra Señora del Rosario.)
July 31	
08:30-09:00 am	<b>Entry of participants</b> (30 minutes) (Salon: Atrios 3 y 4)
09:00-09:25 am	<b>Opening*</b> (25 minutes) <i>*The attendance of the entire Steering Committee is requested.</i> <b>Welcome and Introduction</b> (25 minutes) Douglas Rodríguez Fuentes, President of the Central Reserve Bank of El Salvador, CAPTAC-DR, CMCA Álvaro González Ricci, President of the Central Bank of Guatemala Jonathan Menkos, Minister of Finance of Guatemala Nogui Acosta Jaén, Minister of Finance of Costa Rica and President of the COSEFIN Ari Aisen, Director, CAPTAC-DR, IMF
09:25-09:35 am	<b>Official Photography*</b> (10 minutes) <i>*The attendance of the entire Steering Committee is requested.</i>
09:35-10:05 am	<b>IMF Macroeconomic Perspectives for CAPDR</b> (60 minutes) <i>Assess CAPDR's recent macroeconomic developments and outlook. Examine key indicators, growth trends, risks, and policy challenges.</i> <b>CAPDR Recent Developments, Outlook, and New Challenges</b> (30 minutes) Dora Iakova, Deputy Director, Western Hemisphere Department Immediate Office, IMF
10:05-10:35 am	<b>Discussion</b> (30 minutes) Moderates Ari Aisen, Director, CAPTAC-DR, IMF
10:35-10:45 am	<b>Recess</b> (10 minutes)
	<b>CAPTAC-DR's Fiscal Year 2025 Outcomes, Fiscal Year 2026 Work Program, and Budget Proposal*</b> (60 minutes) <i>Review Fiscal Year 2025 results and lessons learned. Outline the Fiscal Year 2026 work plan and budget to be endorsed. Ensure alignment with strategic goals and regional priorities.</i>



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10:45-10:55 am	<b>Fiscal Year 2025 Key Outcomes and Lessons</b> (10 minutes) Andrés Navas, Economist and Project Manager, CAPTAC-DR, IMF	
10:55-11:05 am	<b>Overview of the Fiscal Year 2026 Work Program and Budget Proposal</b> (10 minutes) Ari Aisen, Director of CAPTAC-DR, IMF	
11:05-11:15 am	<b>Financial Overview and Fundraising</b> (10 minutes) Virginia Tortella, Senior Officer, ICD, IMF	
11:15-11:45 am	<b>Discussion</b> (30 minutes) Moderates Ari Aisen, Director, CAPTAC-DR, IMF	
	<b>CAPTAC-DR’s Seventh Workstream*</b> (50 minutes) <i>Based on demand, identify priorities for the new area of work starting Phase IV.</i> <i>*The attendance of the entire Steering Committee is requested.</i>	
11:45-12:05 pm	<b>Perspectives for a New Workstream in Phase IV</b> (20 minutes)	
12:05-12:35 pm	<b>Discussion</b> (30 minutes) Moderates Ari Aisen, Director, CAPTAC-DR, IMF	
12:35–02:00 pm	<b>Lunch break</b> (85 minutes)	
02:00-03:00 pm	<b>Joint meeting of CMCA, COSEFIN, and CAPTAC-DR</b> (60 minutes) <b>Regional Harmonization of Government Finance and Public Debt Statistics</b> Douglas Rodríguez Fuentes, President, CMCA Nogui Acosta Jaén, President, COSEFIN Ari Aisen, Director, CAPTAC-DR, IMF	
03:00-06:30 pm	<b>Meeting of the CMCA</b> (210 minutes) <i>(Salon: Atrio 2)</i> Odalis Marte, Executive Secretary, CMCA Presidents of Central Banks	<b>Meeting of the COSEFIN</b> (210 minutes) <i>(Salon: Atrios 3 y 4)</i> Federico Rivera, Executive Secretary, COSEFIN Ministers of Finance
08:00-10:30 pm	<b>Gala Dinner - El Tenedor del Cerro</b>	
August 1		
08:30-09:00 am	<b>Entry of participants</b> (30 minutes) <i>(Salon: Atrios 3 y 4)</i>	
	<b>CAPTAC-DR´s 15 Years of Learning and Success Stories</b> (50 minutes)	



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09:00-09:10 am	<p><i>Reflect on 15 years of capacity building in CAPDR. Highlight achievements and lessons learned. Showcase progress and good practices in Guatemala's customs modernization.</i></p> <p><b>15 Years of Building Capacity in CAPDR</b> (10 minutes)</p> <p>José Castañeda, Office Manager, CAPTAC-DR, IMF</p>
09:10-09:30 am	<p><b>Customs Modernization in Guatemala</b> (20 minutes)</p> <p>Enio Motta Jr., Customs Administration Advisor, CAPTAC-DR, IMF</p> <p>Werner Ovalle, Superintendent of the Tax Administration, Guatemala</p> <p>Edwin Curtidor, Intendant of the Customs Administration, Guatemala</p>
09:30-09:50 am	<p><b>Discussion</b> (20 minutes)</p> <p>Moderates Ari Aisen, Director, CAPTAC-DR, IMF</p>
09:50-10:10 am	<p><b>Communication in Central Banking</b> (70 minutes)</p> <p><i>Analyze how central banks communicate. Focus on clarity, transparency, and impact. Highlight best practices to strengthen public trust and policy effectiveness.</i></p> <p><b>Central Bank Communications Best Practices and Cross-Country Experiences</b> (20 minutes)</p> <p>Dmytro Solohub, Deputy Division Chief, Monetary and Capital Markets Department, IMF</p>
10:10-10:30 am	<p><b>Lessons from the Colombian Experience</b> (20 minutes)</p> <p>Pilar Esguerra, Communications Director, Bank of the Republic of Colombia</p>
10:30-11:00 am	<p><b>Discussion</b> (30 minutes)</p> <p>Moderates Jorge Álvarez, Central Banking Operations and Modeling Advisor, CAPTAC-DR, IMF</p>
11:00-11:20 am	<p><b>Recess</b> (20 minutes)</p>
11:20-11:40 am	<p><b>Round Table Discussion on Capacity Development in CAPDR*</b> (60 minutes)</p> <p><i>*The attendance of the entire Steering Committee is requested.</i></p> <p>Moderates Ari Aisen, Director, CAPTAC-DR, IMF</p>
11:40-12:00 pm	<p><b>Perspectives of Member Countries</b> (20 minutes)</p>
12:00-12:20 am	<p><b>Perspectives of Development Partners</b> (20 minutes)</p>
12:20-12:40 pm	<p><b>Other Interventions</b> (20 minutes)</p>
12:40-02:00 pm	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b> (20 minutes)</p> <p>Douglas Rodríguez Fuentes, President of the Central Reserve Bank of El Salvador, CAPTAC-DR, CMCA</p> <p>Nogui Acosta Jaén, Minister of Finance of Costa Rica and President of the COSEFIN</p> <p>Álvaro González Ricci, President of the Central Bank of Guatemala</p> <p>Jonathan Menkos, Minister of Finance of Guatemala</p>
12:40-02:00 pm	<p><b>Lunch break</b> (80 minutes)</p>