

Preliminary Agenda*

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26 September 2025		
Hotel NH Collection Bogotá WTC Royal		
Time (CT)	Session	
8:00 AM	Registration	
8:30 AM	Welcome & Kickoff • Jenifer Castillo, IEEE Region 9 Director • Kathy Hayashi, IEEE Global Semiconductor Committee Chair	
8:45 AM	The Semiconductor Global Value Chain: Trends and Future • Kathy Hayashi, IEEE Global Semiconductor Committee Chair	
9:15 AM	Semiconductor Business in Latin America • Víctor Grimblatt, Synopsys, Chile	
9:45 AM	Fireside Chat: Perspectives from Semiconductor Leaders in Latin America • Rodrigo Jaramillo, Circuify, Mexico • Alfonso Chacón, Rydev, Costa Rica Moderator: Victor Gimblatt, Synopsys, Chile	
10:30 AM	Networking Break	
11:00 AM	Breakout Sessions	
	How to Innovate in Hardware Solutions in Latin America • Leo M. Naranjo, Titoma, Colombia • Gabriel Ortiz, Pixart, Argentina • Byron Valverde, BIV Electronics, Ecuador • Alfredo Arnaud, BQN, Uruguay Moderator: Kathy Grise, Senior Program Director, IEEE	Opportunities and Challenges in Workforce Development • Carlos Tokunaga, Intel, USA • Fernando Guarín, IEEE Division I, USA • Juan Sebastián Moya, Symbiotic EDA • Jose Luis Uribe, HPE Costa Rica • Carlos Maynor Salinas Santano, asesor del secretario de CyT de Panamá (SENACYT), Panamá Moderator: Ricardo Reis, UFRGS, Brazil
12:00 PM	Networking Lunch	

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1:15 PM	Government Perspectives • Juan Luis Díaz de León Santiago, Subsecretario de Desarrollo Tecnológico, Vinculación e Innovación. Secretaría de Ciencia, Humanidades, Tecnología e Innovación, México • Alessandro Campos, Coordenador-Geral de Tecnologias em Semicondutores. Ministério da Ciência, Tecnologia e Inovações, Brasil • Johannes Kelner, Viceministro de Industria y Comercio y MiPymes, República Dominicana • Evelyn Córdova, asesora para la Atracción de Inversión Extranjera Directa en ProGuatemala, Agencia Nacional de Atracción de Inversión del Ministerio de Economía, Guatemala • Carlos Maynor Salinas Santano, asesor del secretario de CyT de Panamá (SENACYT), Panamá • Hugo Cañarte, Director de proyectos y promoción de inversiones. Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca. Ecuador Moderator: Lorena García, Red Colombiana de Electrónica y Semiconductores, Colombia
2:30 PM	Funding Opportunities for Basic Research Through SOARD • Teresa de la Puente, International Program Officer, SOARD
2:45 PM	Panel: The Americas' Semiconductor Partnership: Investment, Innovation, and Collaboration • Jim Lyke, US Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR) • Jorge Varona, Semtech • Rafael Peria de Sene, RISC-V Moderator: Erik Heilman, Director of Government Relations, IEEE-USA
3:30 PM	Networking Session
4:00 PM	Latin America's Role in De-Risking Semiconductor Supply Chains • Rubi Bledsoe, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), USA
4:45 PM	Wrap-Up and What's Next? • Luis Miguel Procel, Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador • Lorena García, Red Colombiana de Electrónica y Semiconductores, Colombia
5-6 PM	Post-Social Event with Light Refreshments