



“XV INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF ECONOMISTS ON GLOBALIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS”

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CONVENED BY: National Association of Economists and Accountants of Cuba (ANEC) and Association of Economists of Latin America and the Caribbean (AEALC)

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INTRODUCTION

The National Association of Economists and Accountants of Cuba (ANEC) and the Association of Economists of Latin America and the Caribbean (AEALC) hereby call for participation in the XV International Meeting of Economists on Globalization and Development Problems.

The urgency of this Meeting is based on the seriousness of the current economic and social situation in a world undergoing transformation, where ongoing changes in geoeconomic and geopolitical interactions are generating a reconfiguration of power at the global level. The persistence of a deep crisis characterized by low economic growth, trade tensions, erosion of the multilateral system, weak investment, increasing economic, technological, and social asymmetries, progressive environmental deterioration, and conflicts threatening wars of alarming proportions, among others, compel rigorous and in-depth analysis to generate debate aimed at seeking alternatives to confront the current reality and options that lead toward the path of sustainable development.

For all these reasons, this XV Meeting calls on economists, political scientists, sociologists, and social scientists in general, from diverse theoretical and conceptual positions but all committed to the defense of humanity, to come forward and express their ideas, results of studies and research, fostering a rigorous debate that allows the development of proposals for decision-makers regarding the problems outlined, in a bold multilateral academic action. This is an inescapable commitment.

In this endeavor, previous events have been accompanied by several Nobel Prize laureates, experienced political leaders, heads of state and government, and senior representatives of the most important regional and international organizations related to economic and social development.

The Palacio de Convenciones in Havana, a venue for multiple historic events, promises to be an ideal host for this Meeting, where participants will be welcomed with the warmth that characterizes the Cuban people.

Below, we propose the following thematic agenda.

THEMATIC AGENDA

1. **Global Crisis. Systemic and anti-systemic models and strategies to address the crisis. A world in reconfiguration. Interactions between geoeconomics and geopolitics in global reconfiguration. The nature of multipolarity.**
2. **Theoretical and conceptual debate on trends in the global economy and contemporary development:** A critical perspective from political economy. Topics and new categories challenging existing conceptual structures to explain new realities.
3. **Deglobalization, reglobalization, or globalization with Chinese characteristics:** Reconfiguration of global value chains. Economic fragmentation and regionalization. Impacts on developing countries. The current debate between isolationism/protectionism and globalism.
4. **From the Cold War to Hybrid Wars:** Disruptive technologies and the arms race. Risks of military AI use: urgency of regulation. Conflicts and new actors. Economic wars and conflicts over strategic resources.
5. **Rivalry among the United States, China, Europe, and new global actors:** Geopolitical and economic dynamics at the regional level: Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa, and Asia. The role of BRICS and other relevant actors in the reconfiguration of world order.
6. **Technological development and geopolitical rivalries:** Coupling, fragmentation, and geopolitical alignments around platforms subordinated to the geopolitics of technology. The challenges of financing science, technological advancement, and innovation. Asymmetries, regulatory challenges, and perspectives from the Global South. The debate on uses, abuses, and regulation of artificial intelligence.
7. **Business transformations, territorial development, and new forms of internationalization:** Investment, employment, productive linkages, and the management of financial and human active resources. The creative economy, small and medium-sized enterprises, cooperativism, and territorial development under current conditions.
8. **Global trade in crisis and its implications for developing countries:** Trade in services and the dynamism of digital trade. The crisis of the multilateral trading system and the WTO: rise of protectionism, trade wars, and increase in “plurilateral” agreements. Trade policies as part of geopolitical confrontation. How to redefine international trade rules in a context of geopolitical confrontation?
9. **International financial situation:** Current status, challenges, and policies to address it. Capital flows, financial markets, and international institutions in an unstable world. The challenges of fintech, crypto-assets, and cryptocurrencies for developing economies. Sustainability and restructuring of sovereign debt.
10. **The need to rethink integration:** Its scope and limits in the context of an intersystemic transition.
11. **Theoretical perspectives on international cooperation:** New actors and proposals.
12. **The 2030 Agenda, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and global inequalities:** Growing asymmetries in the current world economic order, social polarization, and their impact on development. Vulnerability, inequality, informality, and poverty in a world in crisis.
13. **The relationship between environment and development and its impact on key areas such as energy, water, and food:** Oil market, global energy geopolitics, transformations in the energy matrix, and management of natural resources. Conflicts over control of natural resources, including so-called critical minerals. The circular economy, decarbonization and its obstacles, advantages, and challenges. Intensification of climate change and worsening of other environmental problems. Foreseeable socioeconomic and environmental scenarios. The dilemmas from the Global South for the transition to renewable energies.

PROPOSALS FOR THE STUDENT FORUM

- The current debate between critical theoretical-methodological conceptions regarding the crisis, the world economy, development models, and economic policies.
- Current situation and trends in international economic relations: Trade, finance, cooperation, and integration.
- The 2030 Agenda and the SDGs, challenges to fulfilling commitments. Current challenges in addressing social issues: combating poverty, inequalities, and exclusion in public agendas.
- The challenges of financing science, technological advancement, and innovation. Asymmetries, regulatory challenges, and perspectives from the Global South. The debate on uses, abuses, and regulation of artificial intelligence.
- Contemporary environmental problems. Economic and social effects of climate change and national and regional responses.
- The role of universities and youth in transforming the contemporary world. Science and innovation in the service of a better world for all.

SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

Those interested in participating as presenters at this XV International Meeting must send, before December 31, 2025, to the Academic Committee (email: ponencias@anec.cu) their paper proposal, not exceeding two pages, including:

1. Title
2. Author(s) full name(s)
3. Institutional affiliation and email address
4. Preliminary structure
5. Expected results

The Academic Committee will deliberate and communicate its decision to the interested parties two months before the Meeting.

NOTE: Participants will receive an official certificate issued by the National Association of Economists and Accountants of Cuba (ANEC) and the Association of Economists of Latin America and the Caribbean (AEALC), as proof of their participation as presenters at the XV International Meeting of Economists on Globalization and Development Problems.

PRE-EVENT COURSES

Within the framework of this International Meeting of Economists on Globalization and Development Problems, ANEC, through CESPANEC-a specialized professional improvement center-will organize and conduct a set of postgraduate courses, which will be accredited independently of the meeting and whose programs will be published soon.

The courses will be held on May 12 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, only in person.



Requirements to receive the postgraduate certificate:

- Send a digital copy of the university degree during the registration process.
- Participate in the academic event.

REGISTRATION FEES

Participation in the event – In-person

Category	Foreigners	Nationals
Delegate	350.00 USD	9,000.00 CUP
Presenter	250.00 USD	8,000.00 CUP
Undergraduate Student	100.00 USD	3,000.00 CUP
Accompanying Person	100.00 USD	-

Pre-Event Courses (includes lunch on that day)

Category	Foreigners	Nationals
Participant	60.00 USD	3,500.00 CUP

Virtual Participation

Category	Fee
Delegates	200.00 USD

The registration fee includes:

- Credentials
- Certificate of participation (digital for virtual modality)
- Event program, bulletins, and other documents
- Participation in scientific sessions
- Participation in exhibitions, book launches, and other event activities
- Coffee break on the opening day
- Farewell lunch

PAYMENT METHOD

- The registration fee for foreign participants is paid through the HABANATUR payment gateway.
- The official agency for accommodation arrangements is HABANATUR Travel Agency.
- The registration fee for national participants is paid via Transfermóvil, bank transfer, or check.

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