The initiative of the Ibero-American and Caribbean Network for Better Regulation seeks to establish a permanent dialogue on the progress and challenges in promoting regulatory quality in Ibero-American and Caribbean countries. The main objective of the Network is to communicate and exchange experiences and practices among experts in the Ibero-American and Caribbean region as well as OECD member countries.

Within the framework of eight previous ordinary meetings and one extraordinary meeting, the IX Meeting of the Ibero-American and Caribbean Network for Better Regulation will be held virtually, and its objective is to exchange experiences among participants on key issues of better regulation, such as better regulation in favour of SMEs and International Regulatory Cooperation.

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**DAY 1: October 27, 2020**

**Virtual Seminar**

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  - Peter Prazmowski, Executive Director of the National Competitiveness Council of the Dominican Republic and Coordinator of the Network (10´)  
  - Lea Gimenez, Head of the IDB's Innovation to Serve the Citizen Division (5')  
  - Nick Malyshev, Head of the Regulatory Policy Division, OECD (5')  
| 10:20–11:30          | Better Regulation and SMEs: How can we better regulate to support SMEs and encourage recovery? |   
  The session will present the use of evaluations for SMEs as part of ex-ante and ex-post reviews of regulations. It is based on the results of an OECD-Portugal survey conducted in 2020 in over 15 countries and provides recommendations for improving the analysis of specific impacts on SMEs and engaging with them in the process of developing, implementing and reviewing regulations.  
  **Speakers 20 minutes per speaker**  
  - Daniel Trnka, Deputy Head of the Regulatory Policy Division, OECD  
  - Manuel Cabugueira, Senior Consultant to the Legal Centre, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Portugal  
  **Moderator: 5 minutes**  
  - Mercedes Rivolta, Chief of Staff of the Secretariat for Strategic Affairs, Argentina  
| 11:30                | End of day 1 |   

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### DAY 2: 29 October, 2020

**Virtual Seminar**

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| 10:00 – 10:15 | **Welcome remarks**  <br> • Lucas Palacios Covarrubias, Minister of Economy, Chile  
• Rodrigo Yanez Benitez, Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chile |
| 10:15 – 11:30 | **International Regulatory Cooperation: How to promote clear and consistent rules and better regulatory practices between countries to support trade, investment and economic recovery?**  
The escalation of the COVID-19 crisis into a global pandemic highlights the vulnerabilities resulting from a globalized and interdependent world. Collective action on all policy fronts is essential to address these cross-border challenges in the short and long term. International regulatory cooperation (IRC) can help manage cross-border risks, promote work sharing and resource pooling across government for effective regulatory responses, and reduce production costs and increased trade in essential goods. Speakers will present key experiences and lessons in implementing and promoting the IRC.  
**Speakers 15 minutes per speaker**  
• Gaston Fernandez, Head of Division, Trade Regulatory Issues Sub-Secretariat of International Economic Relations Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chile  
• Camila Saffirio, Policy Analyst, Regulatory Policy Division, OECD  
• Juliana Ghizzi Pires Alberto Montoya, General Coordinator of Regulatory Convergence and Barriers to Exports, Special Secretary for Foreign Trade and International Affairs, Ministry of Economy, Brazil  
• Welby Leaman, Senior Director, Global Government Affairs (Americas & Africa), Walmart, and Chair of the American Business Dialogue Regulatory Group |
| 11:30      | **Closing remarks**  
• Adagel Grullón, Director of Regulatory Analysis, National Competitiveness Council, Dominican Republic |

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| 10:00 – 11:30 | **Closed session**  
• Internal meeting for the delegates representing the countries and institutions members of the Network |