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The Inter-American Dialogue's Leadership for the Americas Awards Gala celebrates individuals and organizations committed to advancing democratic governance, social equity and prosperity in the Western Hemisphere. The annual event brings together top world leaders whose exceptional contributions have been instrumental in addressing the pressing challenges of the Americas. More than 300 guests attend the gala – an elite audience from the highest levels of government, business, media and civil society.



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I believe that there is no organization better positioned than the Inter-American Dialogue to engage the most committed leaders from diverse countries, sectors and political persuasions to continue seeking common ground.

CARLA A. HILLS

Chair & CEO, Hills & Company
Former US Trade Representative
Chair Emeritus, Inter-American Dialogue



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The Dialogue is so important in its gathering of the great minds of this hemisphere to grapple with the relationships that have such deep roots but can always be stronger.

TIM KAINE

US Senator from Virginia
Distinguished Leadership Award
for Public Service
2014



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The Dialogue has had a very strong influence on some of the major and positive trends in Colombia and the hemisphere in the last decades... the progress in fighting poverty, in the rule of law, economic growth and integration, and social equity.

JUAN MANUEL SANTOS

Nobel Peace Prize Recipient
President of Colombia
Distinguished Lifetime Achievement
Award for Peace
2016

INTER-AMERICAN DIALOGUE

The Dialogue is the preeminent forum dedicated to Western Hemisphere affairs. We convene public and private leaders from across the political spectrum to forge consensus and develop innovative, practical solutions to the most salient issues facing our region. The Dialogue's membership is comprised of distinguished citizens from the business, government, academic, and civil society sectors.



PREVIOUS HONOREES

2018

Mr. Daniel Servitje

Chairman and CEO, Grupo Bimbo
Distinguished Leadership Award
for Corporate Social Responsibility

Ms. Esperanza Cueto

Co-Founder, ComunidadMujer
President, Fundación Colunga
Distinguished Leadership
Award for Women's Rights
and Empowerment

Mr. Richard Blanco

Presidential Inaugural Poet
Distinguished Leadership
Award for Outstanding Cultural
Contributions

2017

H.E. Fernando Henrique Cardoso

Former President of Brazil
Distinguished Lifetime
Achievement Award

H.E. Luis Alberto Moreno

President, Inter-American
Development Bank
Distinguished Leadership Award
for Social Equity

Mr. Roberto Murray Meza

Chairman, Grupo AGRISAL
Founding President, FUNDEMAS
Distinguished Leadership Award
for Civic Engagement

Dr. Luis von Ahn

Co-Founder & CEO, reCAPTCHA
and Duolingo
Distinguished Leadership Award
for Innovation and Social Impact

Ms. Lydia Cacho

Journalist, Writer &
Human Rights Activist
Distinguished Leadership Award
for the Defense of Human Rights

2016

H.E. Juan Manuel Santos

President of Colombia
Distinguished Lifetime
Achievement Award for Peace

H.E. Enrique García

President, CAF – Development
Bank of Latin America
Distinguished Lifetime
Achievement Award

BMW Group

Distinguished Leadership Award
for Corporate Social Responsibility

Dr. Vanessa Van Der Linden Mota, M.D.

Pediatric Neurologist
Distinguished Leadership Award
for Social Equity

2015

H.E. Felipe González

Former President of the
Government of Spain
Distinguished Leadership
Award for the Americas

Mr. Daniel Chávez Morán

Founder, Grupo Vidanta &
Fundación Vidanta
Distinguished Leadership
Award for the Americas

2014

Mr. Salvador Paiz

Co-Chairman, Grupo PDC,
Chair, FunSEPA
Distinguished Leadership Award
for Civic Engagement

The Honorable Tim Kaine

US Senator for Virginia
Distinguished Leadership Award
for Public Service in the Americas



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