

## Comunicado de prensa

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### **Agustín Carstens, gobernador del Banco de México, ha sido invitado a formar parte del G30, grupo consultivo en asuntos monetarios y económicos internacionales**

El prestigiado Grupo de los Treinta (G30) que reúne, como cuerpo consultivo, a distinguidos líderes internacionales del sector público, del sector privado y de la academia, anunció hoy en Washington que Agustín Carstens, Gobernador del Banco de México, aceptó la invitación a ser miembro de ese selecto grupo.

Jacob A. Frenkel, Presidente del Consejo de Administración del G30, dio hoy la bienvenida, como nuevos miembros a Carstens y a Maria Ramos, quien es CEO de Barclays África, LTD.

El Grupo de los Treinta (G30) fue fundado en 1978, como una institución privada, sin fines lucrativos, para desempeñarse como un cuerpo internacional compuesto de personalidades destacadas del sector público, del sector privado y de la academia. Su propósito es promover un entendimiento profundo de los

asuntos más relevantes de la economía y las finanzas internacionales y explorar las repercusiones internacionales de las decisiones tomadas por los sectores público y privado en el mundo.

Frenkel señaló: “Estoy encantado de que Agustín se incorpore al Grupo. Aportará al G30 décadas de conocimiento y experiencia en finanzas y economía internacional; desde su liderazgo actual en el Banco de México, como Presidente del IMFC del Fondo Monetario Internacional, así como gracias a su anterior trabajo como Secretario de Hacienda de México, entre otras responsabilidades que ha desempeñado”.

Por su parte, Carstens agradeció a Jacob A. Frenkel, Presidente del Consejo de Administración del G30, a Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Presidente Ejecutivo del Grupo, así como a los miembros del G30, la invitación a incorporarse a la membresía del Grupo de los Treinta: “Será un honor unirme a la organización y espero con gran entusiasmo poder participar en sus discusiones y actividades”.

El comunicado de prensa del G 30 *Group of Thirty*, donde se anuncia la incorporación de Carstens y de Ramos como nuevos miembros puede leerse aquí:



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### **Agustín Carstens and Maria Ramos Join the Group of Thirty**

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(Washington) The Group of Thirty (G30) announced today that Agustín Carstens, Governor of the Banco de México, and Maria Ramos, Chief Executive Officer of Barclays Africa Ltd., have accepted invitations to join the membership of the G30.

Jacob A. Frenkel, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, stated: "The G30 is very pleased to welcome Agustín Carstens and Maria Ramos to membership and I look forward to their engagement in our program and projects in the years ahead."

Mr. Frenkel added: "I am delighted that Agustín is joining the Group. He brings decades of knowledge of international finance and economics to the G30, from his leadership of the Banco de México, as Chair of the IMFC of the International Monetary Fund, and from his previous work both as Minister of Finance of Mexico, and other roles.

"Maria will add diversity of perspective, and a strong and influential South African voice, to our deliberations. She has a breadth of private and public sector experience that will benefit our work and discussions, from her current positions as Chief Executive Officer of Barclays Africa, as Chair of the Banking Association of South Africa, and her prior role as Director General of South Africa's National Treasury."

Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Chairman of the G30, said: "Agustín and Maria are outstanding leaders. They each bring a wealth of understanding of the financial and economic challenges of the times, which the G30 seeks to address through our deliberations and ongoing work program of studies."

Mr. Shanmugaratnam continued: "The work of the G30 in international financial and economic thought leadership relies on its dynamic, engaged membership, drawn from across the globe and across public and private sectors. I very much look forward to Agustín and Maria's contributions in the years ahead."

Mr. Carstens stated: "I thank Jacob, Tharman, and the G30 members for the invitation to join the Group's membership. I am honored to join the organization and look forward to participating in its discussions and activities."

Ms. Ramos stated: "It is a pleasure to join the G30, which does such key work on international economics and governance. I look forward to working together on projects of common concern and to supporting the Group's mission."

The Group of Thirty was founded in 1978. The Group is a private, nonprofit, international body composed of senior participants from the private and public sectors and academia. The Group aims to deepen understanding of international economic and financial issues, and to explore the international repercussions of decisions taken in the public and private sectors. The Group is led by Jacob A. Frenkel, Chairman of its Board of Trustees, and Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Chairman of the G30.

A full membership list is available at <http://group30.org/members>.

### Agustín Carstens

Agustín Carstens (born 9 June 1958 in Mexico City, Mexico) is a Mexican economist who has served as finance minister, senior officer in international financial organizations, and central banker. He studied economics at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), where he obtained his bachelor's degree and graduated with honors (1982). He holds a M.A. (1983) and a Ph.D. (1985) in economics from the University of Chicago.

Carstens began his professional career in 1980 at Banco de México, where he held many positions at the central bank's International Affairs Department, Economic Research Department, and at the Office of the Governor.

From 1999 to 2000 he was appointed executive director at the International Monetary Fund (IMF), representing the casting votes of Spain, Mexico, Central America, and Venezuela within the organization.

He served as deputy finance minister in Mexico from December 2000 to August 2003. That month, he was appointed deputy managing director at the International Monetary Fund and was responsible for handling the IMF's relationship with more than 70 member countries.

On 1 December 2006, President Felipe Calderón appointed him minister of Finance, a position he held until 9 December 2009. While serving as minister of Finance, Carstens also chaired the IMF and World Bank Joint Development Committee from March 2007 to October 2009.

On 9 December 2009, he was proposed by President Calderón as a new member of Banco de México's governing board. After the Senate ratified the president's proposal, he was appointed governor for a 6-year term, from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2015.

He has been a member of the Steering Committee of the G-20 Financial Stability Board (FSB) since early 2010.

On 10 January 2011, the Board of Directors of the Bank for International Settlements (BIS), elected him as a board member.

From April 2013 to March 2015 he served as chairman of the FSB Standing Committee on Assessment of Vulnerabilities (SCAV). The SCAV is responsible for monitoring and assessing the vulnerabilities affecting the global financial system and proposing to the FSB the actions needed to address them.

On 1 July 2013, he was appointed chairman of the Economic Consultative Council (ECC) and the Global Economy Meeting (GEM) at the Bank for International Settlements (BIS), both in charge of

setting and carrying out effective coordination and cooperation activities among central banks, in favor of global monetary and financial stability.

In June 2013, he received from the University of Chicago the Professional Achievement Award as a distinguished alumnae.

On February 2015, he was selected by the members of the International Monetary and Financial Committee (IMFC), the policy advisory committee of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), as Chairman of the Committee for a term of three years.

After being proposed by President Enrique Peña Nieto, on 17 September 2015 he was ratified and reappointed governor of Banco de México by the Senate for another 6-year term period, from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2021.

On 1 December 2016, the Board of Directors of the BIS appointed him general manager of this institution, starting on 1 December 2017.

### Maria Ramos

Maria Ramos is Chief Executive Officer of Barclays Africa Group, a diversified financial services group with operations in 12 African markets.

Before joining Barclays Africa Group (previously Absa Group) as Group Chief Executive in March 2009, she was the Group Chief Executive of Transnet Ltd, the state-owned freight transport and logistics service provider for five years. This was after successfully serving as Director-General of the National Treasury for seven years.

An accomplished academic, who has taught at various institutions, Ms Ramos obtained an Institute of Bankers' Diploma (CAIB) in 1983. She followed this with a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of the Witwatersrand (Wits) in 1986, a Bachelor of Commerce Honours in Economics (also from Wits) in 1987 and a Master of Science (Economics) from the University of London in 1992.

She is also a recipient of honorary doctorates from the Stellenbosch and Free State universities. Ms Ramos led Transnet through a massive financial, cultural and operational turnaround. During her tenure as Director-General of the National Treasury (formerly the Department of Finance), she played a key role in transforming the Treasury into one of the most effective and efficient state departments in the post-apartheid administration.

She has successively been ranked in Fortune magazine's annual survey of the 50 most powerful women in business for a number of years running.

Her contribution has been recognized through numerous awards. She was named CNBC Africa Woman Leader of the Year (2011), and was awarded the Wits Business School's Management Excellence Award (2010). She was named the Sunday Times Business Times Business Leader of the Year in 2005 and Businesswoman of the Year by the SA Businesswomen's Association in 2001.

She has in the past served as a non-executive and independent director on the boards of Sanlam Ltd, Remgro Ltd and SABMiller PLC, and currently serves on the Board of Richemont SA.

She is the current Chairman of the Banking Association of South Africa and a member of the Executive Committee of the World Economic Forum's International Business Council.