

Business Session IV Industry and Global Trends

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Welcome to Business Session IV.

We have two speakers this afternoon. I would like to introduce to you Mr. Alberto Bernal-León. He is Head of Research and a partner at Bulltack LLC., a boutique investment bank that specializes in serving international clients interested in investing in the Latin America region. Previously, Mr. Bernal was Managing Director of Emerging Fixed Income Research at Bear Stearns Inc. in New York City. He was responsible for covering the Latin America region. Mr. Bernal is a frequent contributor to major newswires, local press in Latin America and on financial television networks. He is a research scholar for Columbia University's Chazen Institute and holds a Master's Degree in Macroeconomics from Germany's Kiel Institute of World Economics. He received his Honors Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics from the University of New Orleans.

ICF Standing Commission invited Mr. Bernal for a two part presentation, one given here and the other one at our next Congress. Today he will give us his global view of the financial world, next year he will focus on Latin America.

Please join me in welcoming Mr. Bernal to the podium.