

EMTA WEBINAR: Economic and Political Outlook for Mexico

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GUILLERMO ABOUMRAD **Santander**

Guillermo Aboumrad joined Santander two and a half year ago as Mexico Chief Economist based in Mexico.

Guillermo has a solid macroeconomic background with a Ph.D. in Economics from Duke University. He has ample understanding of monetary policy issues, economic research mainly on the Mexican economy with a global perspective and fixed income markets. His work experience includes Mexico’s Central Bank “Banxico”, and global banks like Citigroup and UBS.

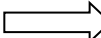
He was born in Mexico City where he currently lives.

GERARDO RODRIGUEZ **BlackRock**

Gerardo Rodriguez, Managing Director, is Portfolio Manager for Emerging Markets (EM) in the Systematic Active Equity group. His responsibilities include the management of equity and fixed income portfolios, the development of EM products and the oversight of the EM Platform at BlackRock.

Mr. Rodriguez joined BlackRock in 2013 after more than 14 years in the Mexican Ministry of Finance where he last served as Undersecretary of Finance and Public Credit. He has extensive experience in macroeconomic policy, financial market development and infrastructure investments. As Undersecretary, he oversaw the development and regulation of the local financial system and the international affairs of the Ministry of Finance. Before being appointed Undersecretary, he worked in the Ministry of Finance as the Head of Public Debt Management from 2005 to 2011, where his main responsibilities included the extension of the local yield curve, the design of the cetesdirecto platform and the creation of the National Infrastructure Fund.

Mr. Rodriguez earned a BS degree in economics from Universidad de las Americas-Puebla (Mexico) and an MSc in Engineering-Economic Systems and Operations Research from Stanford University.

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ALBERTO RAMOS
Goldman Sachs

Alberto is head of the Latin America Economic Research team in the Global Investment Research Division. He joined Goldman Sachs in 2003 as a vice president and was named managing director in 2009.

Prior to joining the firm, Alberto was a senior economist at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, DC, for six years and worked with Argentina, Brazil and Turkey, researching issues related to debt sustainability, fiscal-monetary dominant regimes and sovereign debt restructurings. His written work has been published in the *Journal of Applied Economics*, IMF Working Papers, and Issues in Financial Regulation, a series of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, among others.

Alberto earned an MA and PhD in Economics, specializing in finance, money and banking, from The University of Chicago. He has also taught economics and finance at The University of Chicago and the Universidade Católica Portuguesa in Lisbon, Portugal.

Alberto was born in Mozambique, previously lived in Portugal, and resides in Manhattan.

JEFF NORTON
Mizuho Securities USA LLC

In August 2016, Jeff joined Mizuho Securities USA LLC where he heads the sovereign strategy effort for the Latin America trading desk in New York. Prior to joining Mizuho, he worked at Nomura Corporate Research and Asset Management where, for 15 of the 19 years with the firm, he was portfolio manager for Nomura's global EM Hard Currency portfolios. While at Nomura, the flagship fund he managed was recognized by the Financial Times as one of the three best-managed global emerging market bond funds in 2011. His funds were also recognized by Morningstar Japan as "Fund of the Year" on several occasions.

Prior to joining Nomura, he was at TCW, where he worked as a trader and assistant portfolio manager. He believes the best opportunities in the asset class are identified through a combination of bottom-up research, an assessment of macro factors, and an understanding of how EM issuers trade in relation to global credit markets.

ZULFI ALI
PGIM Fixed Income

Zulfi Ali is a Principal and Portfolio Manager for PGIM Fixed Income's Emerging Markets Debt Team with over 26 years of industry experience. Prior to re-joining the Firm in 2019, Mr. Ali was a senior portfolio manager in Emerging Markets Fixed Income for Fort Washington Investment Advisors.

Prior to Fort Washington, he was a policy advisor in Emerging Markets for SGH Macro Advisors where he conducted emerging markets sovereign policy research. From 1994 to 2002, Mr. Ali was a Portfolio Manager on the Emerging Markets Fixed Income team at Prudential Financial.

He received a Bachelor of Arts with honors in Economics, International Relations and Political Science, from Brown University, and an MBA from Oxford University Said Business School.