



## Puerto Rico Experience Agenda 2024

**Sunday, August 25**  
**(by invitation only)**

**Exclusive event: Presented by the National League of Cities (NLC)**

Visit of local government officials from the United States to the Naranjito Cable-stayed Bridge. Special participation of:

- Eng. Edwin González, Executive Director of the Highway Authority
- Hon. Orlando Ortíz, Mayor of Naranjito
- Presidents of the Association and Federation of Mayors, the Board of Directors of ICMA, among other guests authorized by the National League of Cities.

**4:30pm–5:30pm** Sheraton Hotel Lobby Exit  
Collective transportation available

**5:30pm–6:45pm** Inspection and Orientation in the Naranjito Cable Stayed Bridge Facilities. Discussion: Highway Authority and Municipality of Naranjito. Presentation by the National League of Cities. Infrastructure HUB Division.

**7:00pm–9:00pm** Cultural Exchange Event  
Restaurant: Calichi Gastrobar Naranjito

**9:00pm** Return Sheraton Hotel Convention District

**Contact person:**

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**Monday, August 26**

**Extraordinary meetings of the Association and Federation of Mayors and  
FLACMA / CAMCAYCA Bureau, together with the Leadership of US Organizations,  
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**8:00am-9:00am**

Breakfast (Miramar Room)

Puerto Rico Experience participants duly registered and accredited. Breakfast for participants not accredited to participate in the meetings of the Association and Federation of Mayors. And the Bureau of CAMCAYCA and FLACMA.

**9:00am-10:30am**

Concurrent Extraordinary Meetings

Breakfast in each of the concurrent rooms.

Extraordinary Assembly of:

- Puerto Rico Mayors Association – Bahía Room 1 & 2

President: Luis Javier Hernández

- Federation of Mayors Puerto Rico – Laguna Room 1 & 2

President: Gabriel Hernández

**8:30am-10:00am**

Bureau of CAMCAYCA –Confederation of Municipal Associations of Central America and the Caribbean – Miramar Ballroom (Breakfast included)


Theme: Special Project Decentralization

- President CAMCAYCA
- Executive Director CAMCAYCA
- Presidents, Director & Executive Secretaries of National Agencies
- International and USA Guests

**10:30am-12:00pm**

Bureau of FLACMA – Latin American Federation of Cities, Municipalities and Local Government Associations (FLACMA) – Miramar Ballroom

Theme: Local Government Partnerships between the United States and Latin America.

- FLACMA President & Mayor of La Vega, Kelvin Cruz
  - President of the Association of Mayors of Bolivia, Co-president of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) and Mayor of Cobija, Ana Lucia Reis
  - President of the National League of Cities
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- Clarece Anthony, CEO National League of Cities
- President of the International County/City Management Association

\*\*Agenda to be distributed by each organization.

**11:30am-12:00pm** Press Conference Bahia Lounge

\*By invitation Presidents of National and International Organizations and National and International Leaders of Chambers of Commerce

**12:00pm-1:15pm** Lunch (Main Hall San Juan Grand Ballroom)

For all duly registered and accredited participants.

- Welcome message
- Invocation, Dr. Gabriel Salguero, President of the National Latino Evangelical Coalition (NALEC)
- Pedro Pierluisi, Governor of Puerto Rico (to be confirmed)



# Puerto Rico Experience 2024

## International Conference on Local Governments

**1:30pm-2:30pm**

National League of City (NLC) / Infrastructure

- Extraordinary meeting by invitation:

Federation and Association of Mayors of Puerto Rico  
Miramar Ballroom

**2:30pm-4:00pm**

Opening Puerto Rico Experience 2024- Protocol Event

Moderators:

- Liza García- Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce
- Ferdinand Pérez- Presenter Playing Hard Ball
- Natalia Gallo – Communicator and Journalist- Colombia

### **Presidents of National and International Organizations:**

Mayor of Capital City, San Juan Puerto Rico

President of the Senate of Puerto Rico

President of the House of Representatives

President of the Chamber of Commerce

President of FLACMA

President of CAMCAYCA

President of National League of Cities (NLC)

President International City/County Management Association (ICMA)

President of the Association of Mayors of Puerto Rico

President of the Federation of Mayors of Puerto Rico

President of the Local Government Hispanic Network (LGHN)

President of Green Municipalities

Presidents of National Organizations of Local Governments / Latin America:

- Argentina
  - Belize
  - Bolivia
  - Brazil
  - Chili
  - Colombia
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- Costa Rica
  - Dominican Republic
  - Ecuador
  - Guatemala
  - Honduras
  - Mexico
  - Nicaragua
  - Panama
  - Paraguay
  - Perú
  - The Savior
  - Uruguay

**4:00pm–5:00pm**

High Level Panel – Ethics, Transparency and Compliance from the Perspective of Local Government and Public Administration.

Moderator:

- Mickey Espada, Executive Director of the Confederation of Municipal Associations of Central America and The Caribbean (CAMCAYCA)/ Commissioner for North America for FLACMA/ Honorary Consultant for the International County/City Management Association (ICMA) / Executive Director of PR Experience
- Sergio Arredondo, Secretary General, FLACMA

Resource:

- Terry Gerton, President at The National Academy of Public Administration
- David Sander, Ph.D, President of National League of City (NLC)
- Kelvin Cruz, President Latin American Federation of Cities, Municipalities and Local Government Associations (FLACMA)
- Tanya Ange, President Elected of International County/City Management Association (ICMA)

**5:00pm – 6:00pm**

Cocktail (Grand Ballroom Hallway)  
Cultural Exchange



**7:00pm-10:00pm**

Cultural / Gastronomic Activity

Presented by Capital City, San Juan

Place: Plaza de la Independencia 4 Julio at the Hiram Bithorn and Roberto Clemente Sports facilities

\*Collective transportation available; Hotel Lobby 6:30pm

## **Tuesday 27 August**

**8:00am-9:00am**

**A.** Breakfast (San Juan Grand Ballroom)

\*Breakfast will not be served after 9:00 am

For duly registered and accredited participants

**B.** Breakfast by invitation only (Miramar Room)

For administrators of CITIES & MUNICIPALITIES

Presented by: International County/City Management Association

Moderated: Tanya Ange, President elected ICMA

Contact: Isabelle Bully-Omictin, ICMA Managing Director,  
Global Director ICMA (IOMICTIN@icma.org)

**9:00am-9:45am**

CoMaster Conference

Ethics / Compliance / Transparency

Moderator: Nelson Castellanos- President of the Municipal Association of Honduras

Resource:

- Dr. Jaime Andres Beltrán Martínez- Mayor of Bucaramanga
- Federico Gutiérrez- Mayor of Medellín (To be confirmed)

**9:45am-10:45am**

Panel: Development of a Culture of Ethics in Local Governments:

Moderator:

- Victor D' Aza- President of the International Organization Local Government- President of the Municipal League of the Dominican Republic



Resource:

- Luis A Pérez Vargas- Director of Government Ethics PR (to be confirmed)
- Salvador Torres- Director ICMA Latin America
- César Augusto Conteras – Panamá (to be confirmed)
- Jessica Cowles, Director of Ethics ICMA

**11:00am-11:30am**

Masterly- Transparency

Moderator: Fernando Espinoza – President of the Association of Municipalities of Argentina

Resource:

- Ana Lucia Reis- President of the Association of Mayors of Bolivia- Co-President of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) and Mayor of Cobija

**11:45am-12:45pm**

Panel: Healthy Governance from the Perspective of Experts in the Field of the Application of Justice.

Moderator:

- Sebastián Siero- President of the National Association of Mayors of Guatemala

Resource:

- Ivelisse Torres Rivera, General Inspector of the Government of Puerto Rico
- Dr. Luis Fernando García, Former Colombian Prosecutor


**12:45pm-1:45pm**

Lunch (San Juan Grand Ballroom)

For all duly registered and accredited participants.

**1:45m-2:00pm**

Reflection on Aspects of Transparency and Ethics

- Gabriel Salguero, President of NALEC. National Latino Evangelical Coalition, USA
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**2:00pm-2:30pm**

Masterly: Good Practices in Decision Making to Ensure Transparency and Compliance.

Resource:

- Anjuma Goswami Karkera- Former Deputy Executive Director of United States Defense Department / CEO- Institute for Building Technology and Safety (IBTS)

**2:30pm-3:30pm**

Panel: Ethics / Compliance / Transparency from the Perspective of Local Government Leaders.

Moderator:

- George Burciaga – US Mayoral Round Table Director

Resources: Roundtable: US Top Cities Mayoral

US Roundtable invited attendees for Roundtable discussion:

- Mayor Rex Richardson of Long Beach, CA
- Major Phillip Jones of Newport News, VA
- Honorable Michael Hancock of Denver, CO
- Honorable Adrian Perkins of Shreveport, LA
- Major Justin Bibb of Cleveland, OH

**3:45pm – 5:00pm**

Presentation of Candidates for Governor: Vision of a Decentralized and Transparent Government

Moderator: (to be confirmed)

**5:00pm-6:00pm**

Exchange and Visit to Exhibitors

**5:00pm-7:00pm**

Meeting of the Board of Directors of Chambers of Commerce by invitation. (Place to be confirmed)

- Dialogue and sharing with leaders and colleagues from other Chambers of Commerce in the USA and Latin America.
- President- Luis E. Pizarro Otero
- Executive Director- Lcda. Liza Garcia Velez



**7:00pm-10:00pm**

Cultural Activity at Medalla Light Arena  
Presented by Medical Card System (MCS)  
Location: Medalla Light Arena, T-Mobile District

**Wednesday 28 August**

**Presented by the PR Chamber of Commerce**

**8:00am-9:00am**

Breakfast (Place to be confirmed)

**9:00am-11:00am**

**A. Cultural Tour**

Location: Old San Juan

Presented by: San Juan Tourism Office

Collective transportation available; Hotel Lobby 8:30am

\*You must reserve your space, Monday afternoon at the Exhibitor of the Municipality of San Juan

**B. Casa Bacardi Distillery Tour**

Location: Cataño

Presented by: Puerto Rico Tourism Company

Collective transportation available; Hotel Lobby 8:30am

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**9:00am-9:30am**

Opening

- Greeting Protocol
- Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce and Special Guests

**9:30am-10:00am**

Masterclass- Transformation of the Permit System and its role in Economic Development

Resource:

- Humberto Mercader- Undersecretary of the Department of Economic Development of Puerto Rico

**10:00am-11:00am**

Panel: Impact of Permit Systems on Economic Development

- Puerto Rico
- USA

- Panamá
- Colombia

**11:00am-11:40am**

Panel: Global Strategies for Successful Public-Private Partnerships

- Atty. Liza Ortiz Camacho- Success Solution, PSC (to be confirmed)
- Robert Rodriguez, CEO, NC Digy Smart Cities LLC
- Sergio Claux, General Manager of FORTE USA/Colombia/Argentina/Costa Rica

**11:40am-12:00pm**

Magistral: Global Trends and Threats in Cybersecurity

Resource:

- Jamil N Jaffer- Founder of National Security Institute (to be confirmed)

**12:00pm-12:40pm**

Panel: Global Trends and Threats in Cybersecurity

Resource:

- FORTINET Certify Expert (to be confirmed)
- FTI Consulting (to be confirmed)



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CIUDAD CAPITAL



LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
**HISPANIC  
NETWORK**  
AN AFFILIATE OF ICMA



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**MAYORAL  
ROUNDTABLE**