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Economists Laura Carla Moisés-Elicabide and César Augusto Giraldo-Giraldo will participate in their first meeting as members of the Board of Directors of *Banco de la República* (the Central Bank of Colombia) on Friday, February 28. They join the Board as successors to Roberto Steiner-Sampedro and Jaime Jaramillo-Vallejo, respectively.

Dr. Laura Moisés joins the Bank after serving as *Vice-Rectora* of the *Universidad Nacional de Colombia (Medellín campus)*. She holds a PhD in Economic Development from the State University of Campinas (Unicamp) in Brazil, as well as a master's degree and a degree in Economics from *Universidad Nacional de Colombia*. Her academic and professional career has been closely tied to *Universidad Nacional* in *Medellín*, where she has been an associate professor in the School of Human and Economic Sciences and, most recently, *Vice-Rectora*.

Dr. César Augusto Giraldo joins the Bank following his role as an expert member of the Autonomous Committee of the Fiscal Rule (CARF for its acronym in Spanish). He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Paris, a master's degree in Economics from *Universidad Nacional de Colombia*, and a degree in Economics from *Univesidad de los Andes*. Dr. Giraldo has also served as Technical and Economic Vice President of Asobancaria, a member of the Special Legislative Commission at the Regional Center for Third World Studies, and has worked with the World Bank and the United Nations.

Banco de la República (the Central Bank of Colombia) and its employees warmly welcome the new members of the Board. Likewise, the institution expresses its sincere appreciation to former members Roberto Steiner-Sampedro and Jaime Jaramillo-Vallejo for their valuable contributions during their tenure. Their expertise and dedication have played a key role in strengthening the Bank's internal processes and autonomous and timely decision-making in monetary policy.

