

Claudia Franco

Ms. Claudia Franco has extensive experience in international capital markets financing of Latin America and Caribbean sovereigns. Until the end of June, 2021, she headed the Treasury Client Solutions Group at the Interamerican Development Bank's (IADB) Treasury in charge of developing financial solutions and debt management operations for sovereigns in the LAC region. In this capacity, she executed more than \$10 billion dollars in cross currency hedges in various local currencies of the region, more than \$70 billion dollars in rate fixings linked to IADB loans, and the first oil hedges ever executed by the IADB for a sovereign in the Caribbean. Prior to joining the IADB, Ms. Franco served as Financial Representative for the Government of Colombia in the US, raising more than \$9 billion dollars in financing in various currencies, tenors and structures that reflected the state-of-the-art funding strategies deployed by the Republic of Colombia in the international capital markets. Before that, Ms. Franco led JP Morgan's team in charge of fixed income origination, advisory services, and development of country-funding strategies for the Andean, Central American and Caribbean regions, CAF, and other sovereign borrowers in the southern cone, raising more than \$10 billion dollars in financing for them. Before going to business school, Ms. Franco worked at the World Bank in the Latin American region on macroeconomic and financial sector issues. Ms. Franco holds an MBA with concentration in finance from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School and an economics degree from Universidad de Los Andes in Bogota, Colombia.